Sponsored pilgrimage to Chichester Cathedral Saturday 17 May 2025

On the **17 May** Mark Potter, a member of our congregation, is planning to walk 32 miles in a day from St Mary's to Chichester Cathedral to raise money for the Church and its community.



When asked why he's doing this he commented "As a member of the Parochial Church Council I see all the great things made possible in our thriving community. But to bring this to life I know it takes money to pay for the people and facilities. I thought one way I can help is to put on my walking boots and complete a pilgrimage to Chichester Cathedral and try and ask people to sponsor my efforts. If people are able to help I will be very, very grateful "

The route Mark has planned will take him out of Shoreham by Sea and into the South Downs National Park. He will join the South Downs Way heading west into Amberley, walk part of The Monarch's Way and then head south into Chichester following the Literary Trail. He won't be alone and will be accompanied by two very experienced walkers - Nigel Clark has in previous years completed the Camino De Santiago pilgrimage, and Paul Humphreys will join Mark fresh from taking part in the London Marathon.

Mark has set himself a goal to raise £2,000. The company he works for, Legal & General, has generously pledged to match all sponsorship up to £500, which means £1 sponsored will count as £2 up to the first £500. If you're able please to help Mark reach his goal there are a couple of ways you can make a donation. It will be gratefully received and will be wisely spent in support of the Church and its community. Please either:

Follow the link below and donate online,

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• Put your sponsorship in an envelope with the reference 'Chichester Pilgrimage' written on it and either put it in the donation box in the Church, hand it into the Parish Office, or place it in the Offertory Collection at a service on a Sunday.

A huge thank you in advance for your generosity and support. Mark has also shared that he will be carrying 70 small wooden crosses on his Pilgrimage, and as a gesture of his gratitude he will be handing them out at the 10am service the following Sunday (18th)