

## Preparation Meetings

Sunday 28th March 2010  
*(Palm Sunday & WYD 2010)*  
*St Colman's Cosham 2-4pm*  
Sunday 27th June 2010  
Sunday 5th September 2010  
Sunday 21st November 2010  
Sunday 9th January 2011  
Sunday 13th March 2011  
Sunday 8th May 2011  
Sunday 10th July 2011  
Other venues to be confirmed

## Deadline for Registration 31st March 2010

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*God our Father, we place the preparation for World Youth Day 2011 in  
Madrid, in your hands.*

*Bless and protect Pope Benedict and all the pastors of the Church.  
Enlighten and strengthen all those preparing for World Youth Day.  
Grant them wisdom and strength to carry out their work.  
Help us all to prepare deeply for this pilgrimage of faith.  
Amen*

*Lord Jesus Christ, before your ascension, you promised to be with  
your Church until the end of time.  
Bless and multiply the efforts of everyone working towards World  
Youth Day.*

*Make us, the young people of the world, your co-workers in the work  
of redemption, so that we may take root and build in Christ, Amen*

*Holy Spirit, Lord and Giver of Life, pour out your grace upon the lands  
of Spain.*

*Open the hearts of the Spanish people to the receive all young  
people who will come to World Youth Day.  
Grant to those who attend, a conversion in their lives.  
Make them strong in faith, hope and charity.  
Amen.*

*Mary, Immaculate Mother, patroness of Spain, pray for us.*

The Diocese is committed to involving people with disabilities in every aspect of the life of the Church.

# Diocese of Portsmouth

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**JMJ 2011  
MADRID**

*"Rooted and Built up in  
Jesus Christ,*

*Firm in the Faith"*

**World Youth Day  
Madrid 2011**

**Information**

## What is World Youth Day?



In 1985, to celebrate the UN International Year of Youth, Pope John Paul II came up with an idea of a regular international gathering of young people that would embrace, foster and celebrate their faith. The first World Youth Day (WYD) took place on Palm Sunday in Rome and has been celebrated every year since.

Every two or three years there is an international gathering and it is these events that have captured the imagination - In Manila (1995) over 4 million people attended the WYD Mass! WYD offers young Catholics across the world a chance to connect with each other and with God. It is an opportunity to share faith and to realise how huge and diverse the Church is. It is an ideal time to journey with Christ and to renew the Church.

## A Portsmouth Pilgrimage



An invitation to join Bishop Crispian in attending World Youth Day in Madrid 2011.

*I hope to be in Madrid and that we'll have another great contingent of young people from the diocese."*

+ Crispian

## Days in the Diocese

One of the key parts of the World Youth Day experience is Days in the Diocese. Dioceses of Spain will welcome the youth of the world allows visiting pilgrims to:

- join local communities in hospitality, prayer, celebration and cultural exchange
- experience Spanish culture
- help renew the Church they visit
- engage in social service projects
- visit local shrines and sites of interest

At the moment we are waiting to hear back from Dioceses in Spain before choosing where we will go.

## Useful websites

[www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/youth](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/youth)

[www.jmj2011madrid.com](http://www.jmj2011madrid.com)

[www.wyd2011.blogspot.com](http://www.wyd2011.blogspot.com)

## Previous WYD Gatherings

1984/5

Rome

1987

Buenos Aires

1989

Santiago de Compostela

1991

Czestochowa

1993

Denver

1995

Manila

1997

Paris

2000

Rome

2002

Toronto

2005

Cologne

2008

Sydney



## Age Policy

World Youth Day is aimed at 16-35 year olds. You need to be aged 16 or above to be able to go on the pilgrimage. If you are under 18 we will need to have permission forms completed by your parent/guardian.

## Weather in Madrid

August in Madrid is hot - the average temperatures can be above 30°C. The trip is reasonably physically demanding with long walks in large crowds.

## Cost

- Approximately £900
  - Travel
  - Accommodation
  - WYD Registration

## •Fundraising

There will be opportunities to raise money as a group as well as advice given on the best ways to fundraise. Ask your Pastoral Areas/Parishes/Schools for support.

## What will I need to have?

- A Valid passport
- If you are a non EU national you may need to get a visa
- EHIC Card (European Health Insurance Card) available online at <https://www.ehic.org.uk/Internet/home.do>
- A commitment to attend the Preparation meetings

## I want to go! What do I do now?

- Complete the registration form and send it to Dave Hill, Advisor for Youth Ministry with a deposit of £100 (address on back page)
- Spread the word!
- Start fundraising!

## Provisional Timeline

**Tuesday August 9th**

Leave for Spain

**Wednesday 10th – Monday 15th August**

Days in the Diocese

**Monday 15th August**

Farewell Mass

Travel to Madrid

**Tuesday 16th August**

Opening Mass with Cardinal Antonio Varela, Archbishop of Madrid in the Plaza de la Cibeles

**Wednesday 17th August**

AM - Catechesis with Bishops

PM & Eve – Youth Festival

**Thursday 18th August**

AM - Catechesis with Bishops

PM – Welcome of the Pope

Eve – Youth Festival

**Friday 19th August**

AM - Catechesis with Bishops

PM – Youth Festival

Eve – Stations of the Cross through the streets of Madrid

**Saturday 20th August**

Pilgrim Walk to Cuatro Vientos

Prayer Vigil with Pope Benedict

**Sunday 21st August**

World Youth Day Mass celebrated by Pope Benedict

**Monday 22nd August**

travel home

**Tuesday 23rd August** – arrive home