

“The Almighty has done great things for me!”



S.O.L.L. Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2017

Change in policy regarding grants to helpers

Our current policy is to allow up to £150 grant towards the costs of helpers travelling with the Pilgrimage. However there has been a tendency for people to book later and this affects our ability to plan for numbers both in terms of helpers and sick pilgrims, balance aircraft capacity with demand and vet and issue names badges in accordance with new protection and security policies of the Lourdes authorities.

Therefore the decision was made to change the arrangement to encourage earlier bookings. So, for the next pilgrimage there will be a sliding scale of grant entitlement with the value reducing the longer you leave it to book.

1st Jan – 28th Feb	£150
1st March – 31st March	£100
1st April - 30th April	£50

It has also been decided, that regardless of grant entitlement, for the reasons given above we will not be able to accept late registrations of Helpers.

A final date for New Helper Registration will be two weeks prior to the joint helpers meeting.

This is necessary to ensure compliance with the guidelines advised by the Lourdes Authorities.

So, please book early.....

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The Pilgrimage Committee

