

**APPLICATION FORM FOR VOLUNTEER HELPERS FOR THE CA
PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2012**

Please return this form to Matt Betts, 26 Rivets Close, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, HP21 8JP **as soon as possible and by no later than 1 June 2012.**

Please staple a passport-sized photo in the box provided even if you have been coming with the pilgrimage for years - it helps us to identify the forms quickly and makes our lives much easier!

The form must be completed by the actual volunteer, unless he or she is currently abroad and not returning to the UK until after **1 June 2012**, in which case completion of this form by a close relative is acceptable.



1. Personal Details

Full name **Male/Female**.....

DOB..... **Nationality**.....

Telephone number(s).....

Email Address.....

We will use email to communicate – please print clearly and double check. If you do not have an email address, please write your home address on the back of this form.

Occupation / education stage

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Diocese or other group affiliation

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2. Travel and Accommodation

Are you travelling with Tangney Tours? Yes / No*

*please circle your answer

3. Previous Experience

Do you have previous experience of working in Lourdes or care experience with adults/adults with special needs or any other relevant skills?

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4. Preparation Day

NEW HELPERS: please confirm that you will be attending the preparation session on Saturday 23 June at 10.30am. Please note this session is compulsory, please provide details if your absence will be unavoidable.

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EXPERIENCED HELPERS: will you be attending the preparation session on Saturday 23 June at 2.30pm? Would you be prepared to assist at the morning session for new helpers?

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STONYHURST/NORTHERN HELPERS: would you prefer to attend this preparation day on Saturday 9 June as an alternative?

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5. Duties

Please circle your **preferred duty**:

Mixed (Acceuil Care & Rolling) / Accueil Care / Dining Room / Kitchen / Ceremonies & Marshalling / Piscines / Other (please specify)

6. Uniforms (circle as applicable)

Male polo shirt size*: Small Medium Large Extra-Large I have my own polo shirt

Female uniform size: 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26 28 I have my own

*Polo shirts will be available to purchase or rent (a small deposit is required for rental).

7. Next of Kin

Name

Telephone Number.....

Relationship.....

8. Reference

We need a reference for all volunteer helpers who are **new or who have not accompanied the CA pilgrimage in the past three years (since 2009)**. If this applies to you, please provide details below of someone who knows you well and can give a personal reference. The referee should not be a relative, but may be an established CA volunteer.

Name.....

Telephone Number.....

Postal Address.....

Email

We will use email to communicate – please print clearly and double check. If your referee does not have an email address, please write his or her home address above.

How long have you known the referee and in what capacity (e.g. teacher, work colleague etc)?

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As a volunteer with the CA you will be responsible for the care of vulnerable adults. Therefore, please give details of any criminal convictions, cautions, or pending criminal proceedings on a separate sheet. This information will be treated in the strictest confidence and may well not have any bearing on your suitability to work with the pilgrimage. Please also disclose whether you are the subject of any investigation and/or disciplinary proceedings by a professional body or employer.

Please give us any further information that you think may be relevant on an attached sheet.

9. Declaration by all volunteer helpers

I declare that all the details given on this form are correct on the date given below. I undertake to provide my Head of Service within the Catholic Association with any further relevant information and to notify them of any changes prior to the departure of the pilgrimage.

Signature.....

Date.....

Independent travellers: have you attached your CA levy cheque?