

Asland Pilgrim Ways

Tarleton Prayer Pilgrimage

Start: Tarleton Holy Trinity Church, Church Road, Tarleton PR4 6UW (Grid Ref 451 204)

Finish: Hesketh Lane Church, 194 Hesketh Lane, Tarleton PR4 6AT

Map: OS Explorer 285 (Southport and Chorley)

Parking: Public carpark opposite Tarleton Holy Trinity Church.

Public Transport: The number 2 bus runs from Hesketh Lane Church (County Primary School stop) to the centre of Tarleton.

Check bus times prior to your journey.

<https://www.stagecoachbus.com/timetables> 0345 241 8000 (charges apply)

Toilets: Public toilets at the car park opposite Tarleton Holy Trinity Church.

Refreshments: Available at selection of pubs and cafes in Tarleton.

Length: 1.1 miles (one way)

This linear route incorporates Holy Trinity Church, Tarleton Methodist Church, Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church and Hesketh Lane Church. The route is along roadside footpaths, with ideas for prayer and meditation along the way.

Accessibility: This route is along footpaths by the side of roads.

Paths are narrow in places and may be blocked by parked cars.

Holy Trinity Church is accessed by a ramp.

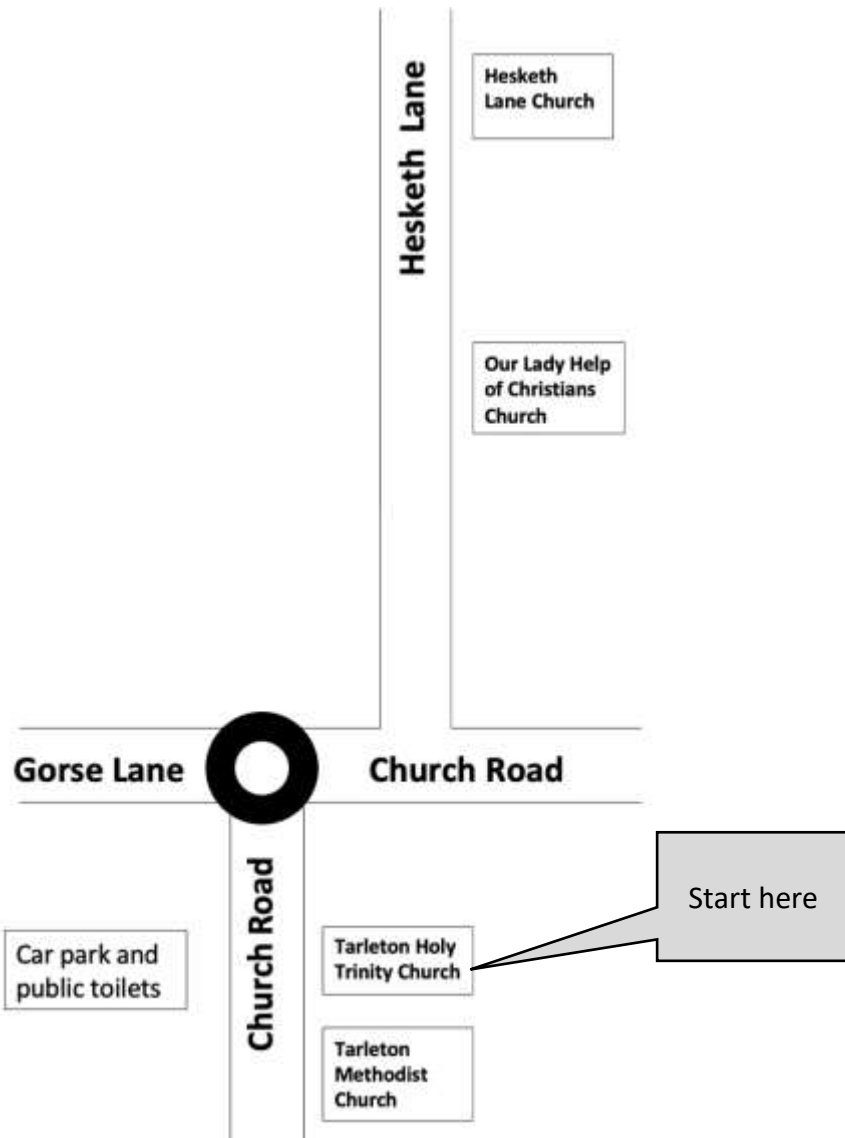
Ramp access can be arranged at the side of Tarleton Methodist Church.

Ramp access to Hesketh Lane Church.

One small step at Our Lady's Church (disabled access with prior notification).

Accessible toilets: Available at Holy Trinity Church, Hesketh Lane Church and Our Lady's Church when churches are open.

This is one of a series of routes connecting churches as well as circular routes incorporating churches. We hope that you find refreshment as you journey along these ways, finding wholeness and peace with creation, with God and with each other.



Map not to scale, and all the twists, turns, and roads are not shown.

Leaflet date: April 2023.

Check venues for opening times.

Take care near roads.

Routes are followed at your own risk. Information changes over time. You are advised to check information in advance and complete your own risk assessment.

Start the route at **Tarleton Holy Trinity Church** on Church Road. Spend some time in the church before starting your pilgrimage. Ask for God's blessing on your pilgrimage.

With your back to the church, turn left and continue along Church Road until you reach **Tarleton Methodist Church**.

On your pilgrim journey you will pass two funeral directors. As you pass, pray for those who mourn, and those who bring comfort. Ask a blessing on them.

After you have spent time at **Tarleton Methodist Church**, retrace your path, passing **Holy Trinity Church** again.

On Church Road there are a variety of shops.

Pray for all those who work there, farmers who grow the food, those who package and prepare the goods we buy, people with plenty and people who struggle to buy what they need.

At the flower shop, pause to contemplate the beauty of creation.

As you continue along Church Road you will pass places to buy food and drink, places of hospitality. The Christian faith is one of hospitality. Think of all those who have shown you hospitality in your life, given you time, refreshment and welcome. Reflect on what a difference this has made to you, and give thanks. Who can you show hospitality to? Who can you make welcome?

As you reach the roundabout, across the road is Marks Square. You will see a library. Give thanks for books, audiobooks, resources and the community of the library. What books have you enjoyed reading?

There is also a medical centre at Marks Square. Pray for all those who are in need of medical help, and all who care for them, friends, family and medical professionals.

Continue right along Church Road. Use the zebra crossing to cross the road.

As you journey you will see hairdressers and beauty salons. Give thanks for those who work there. Remember that you are fearfully and wonderfully made. How beautiful on the mountain are the feet of those who bring good news. How can you help others to know that they are loved by God?

Continue along Church Road until you reach Hesketh Lane.

Turn left down Hesketh Lane.

As you pass the fire station, give thanks for all who care for this community.

As you pass the Tarleton Academy ask for a blessing on those who teach and learn, and those who cook, clean and maintain the school. Give thanks for those who have taught you. Reflect on what you have learned throughout your life.

You will arrive at **Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church**. Outside the church is a statue of Jesus with his arms outstretched. Pause for a moment in the presence of Jesus. What does this mean to you today?

Continue along Hesketh Lane, until you arrive at **Hesketh Lane Church**.

Either return the same way, take a bus or return via the Tarleton Heritage route.

Return to **Holy Trinity Church**. In the silence, think of what you have experienced on this pilgrim journey. Think about the week ahead, and know that God is with you, and that God loves you.

Tarleton Holy Trinity Church is open daily. There is free coffee and chat on Friday mornings between 10.00am and 12 noon. See website for service times.
Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church is open on Thursday mornings between 11.00am and 1.00pm for private prayer. See website for Mass times.
Tarleton Methodist Church often joins with other Methodist churches for worship on Sunday mornings.
Hesketh Lane Church is open for worship on Sunday mornings.

Check church websites for up to date details of opening times and services.