

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

Leaflet date: January 2024. Check venues for opening times.

Take care near waterways and roads. Follow the Countryside Code.

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.

https://lancashirewest.org.uk/aslandpilgrimways/

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## Asland Pilgrim Ways

## Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, Tarleton to Hesketh Bank

Start: Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, 152 Hesketh Lane,

Tarleton, PR4 6AS (grid ref 450 217)

Finish: Hesketh Bank

Map: OS Explorer 285 (Southport and Chorley)

Parking: Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church car park.

Public Transport: The number 2 bus runs down Chapel Lane and Station Road/

Hesketh Lane. Check bus times prior to your journey.

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

**Toilets:** Toilets at Booths café in Hesketh Bank and in churches when they are open.

**Refreshments**: Booths café and other establishments on Station Road, Hesketh Bank.

**Length:** 4.8 miles (one way) visiting all churches – various options available to make the route shorter. Suggested routes are given in this leaflet for you to combine as you like. This linear route incorporates Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, Hesketh Lane Church, Hesketh Bank Christian Centre, All Saints Church, Becconsall Old Church and Hesketh Bank Methodist Church.

**Accessibility:** The section across fields is not accessible for people using mobility scooters or wheelchairs. This section can be avoided.

Footpaths are narrow in places.

The access point for the Henry Alty Way at Spencers Drive down a steep slope. Access for the Henry Alty Way at Brick Kiln Way is by steps. The Henry Alty Way section can be avoided by travelling along Hesketh Lane.

All these churches can be accessed without steps (prior notification required for Our Lady Church).

All the churches except Becconsall Old Church, have an accessible toilet. Please note, the church toilets are only available during church opening times.

Start the route at Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church on Hesketh Lane.

With your back to the Church, if you would like to visit **Hesketh Lane Church**, turn right (Hesketh Lane Church is approximately 0.2 miles from Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church).

Otherwise, turn left along Hesketh Lane, and then turn left again down Spencers Drive. Go down Spencers Drive and follow signs for the Henry Alty Way. Turn left along the Henry Alty Way, towards Hesketh Bank Village.

At a signpost for Brick Kiln Way/ Hesketh Bank Village, leave the Henry Alty Way (climb the steps) and turn left onto the housing estate. Make your way through the housing estate, emerging at Hesketh Lane.

Turn right down Hesketh Lane.

To visit **Hesketh Bank Christian Centre**, turn left down Moss Lane (Hesketh Bank Christian Centre is 0.2 miles down Moss Lane).

From **Hesketh Bank Christian Centre**, return to Hesketh Lane and turn left. Hesketh Lane now becomes Station Road.

Turn left down Station Road.

To visit **Becconsall Old Church**, after 0.3 miles, turn right down Becconsall Lane. Becconsall Old Church is 0.4 miles down the road.

From Becconsall Old Church, return to Station Road.

Turn right along Station Road to All Saints Church.

With your back to All Saints Church, turn right down Station Road, then turn left down Chapel Road until you arrive at **Hesketh Bank Methodist Church.** 

From **Hesketh Bank Methodist Church**, you can either return the same way or take a bus back to Our Lady Help of Christians Church (alight either at Tarleton Community Primary School or Sutton Avenue).

Alternatively, with your back to **Hesketh Bank Methodist Church**, turn right down Chapel Road. As the road bends sharply right, there is a track opposite. Follow the track to Wrights Farm. At the farm follow the public footpath signs left. There is a public footpath along the edge of fields which takes you to Moss Lane. This route can be muddy, and there are several stiles. When you arrive at Moss Lane, turn left, and follow the lane until you arrive at **Hesketh Bank Christian Centre** (this route is 1.5 miles).

From **Hesketh Bank Christian Centre**, proceed down Moss Lane to Hesketh Lane, and then either make your way back to the Henry Alty Way or take a bus back to **Hesketh Lane Church/Our Lady Help of Christians** Church (alight at Tarleton Community Primary School or Sutton Avenue).

Return to Our Lady Help of Christians Church.

**Our Lady Help of Christians Church** is open for private prayer on Thursday mornings between 11.00am and 1.00pm as well as Mass at other times.

The other churches on this route are open at different times during the week for private prayer or for refreshments and events as well as services. You might decide to visit the church websites and Facebook pages for opening times, to find out what's on, and plan your route accordingly.

You may decide to do part of the route on different days.

These are approximate distances between churches.

Our Lady Help of Christians to Hesketh Lane Church = 0.2 miles

Our Lady Help of Christians to Hesketh Bank Christian Centre = 1 mile

Hesketh Bank Christian Centre to All Saints Church = 0.5 miles

All Saints Church to Becconsall Old Church = 0.4 miles

All Saints Church to Hesketh Bank Methodist = 0.5 miles

Hesketh Bank Methodist to Hesketh Bank Christian Centre (across fields) = 1.5 miles

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 travel along these ways, finding wholeness and peace with creation, with God and with each other.