



Pilgrimage to the Taizé Community in France



The Vigil of the Resurrection

In the summer of 2013, a group of Year 11 students from Worth travelled to France joined 3,500 other young people from 20 countries for a time of prayer, reflection, sharing and fellowship. Founded by Br Roger in 1943, the Taizé community is a monastery of brothers from many Christian traditions who dedicate their lives to living together as a sign of communion. Since the 1960s many thousands of young people have joined them for a week at a time.

Our intrepid Worth pilgrims, accompanied by Mr Manning and Br David, report a very beautiful experience of prayer and solidarity with other young people from across the world, especially those from regions where there is unrest and conflict. They participated in a meeting with Cardinal Kurt Koch from the Pontifical Council for Christian Unity in Rome, joined in the manual work with gusto and ate together the simple meals which they helped to serve. In the words of Mr Manning, it was "a wonderfully enriching experience for all, and the chants from Taizé will be ringing in our ears for some time!"



The group of Taizé pilgrims, 2013



Bible study with Br Andras