

**EVERY ASPECT OF THIS WORLD
DISPLAYS GOD'S WISDOM**



**A Creation Prayer Walk with
The Friends of St Eugene**

"Creation is a gift, it is a wonderful gift that God has given us, so that we care for it and we use it for the benefit of all, always with great respect and gratitude."

- Pope Francis, Mar 2014

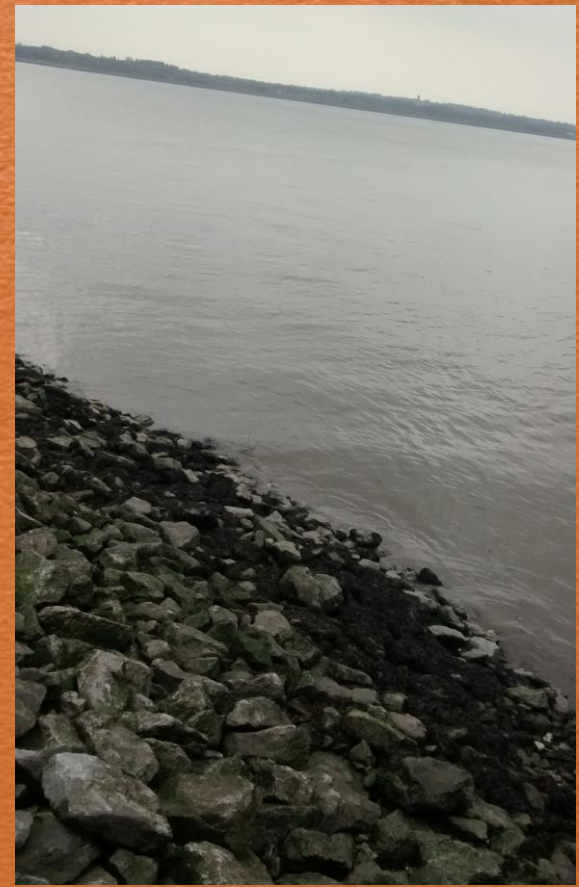




**“Where better to praise God
than in the midst of God’s creation.”**

Creation Walk.

“The idea was to see, hear, touch and smell a very small part of God’s vast Creation. I was struck by the beauty of the flowers and plants, commonly known as weeds, yet they give life to the birds of the air, to bees, butterflies and many other insects and animals. These wild plants feed so many of God’s creatures. As I stood watching and listening it brought to mind the poem by William Henry Davies...’What is this life if full of care we have no time to stand and stare...’”



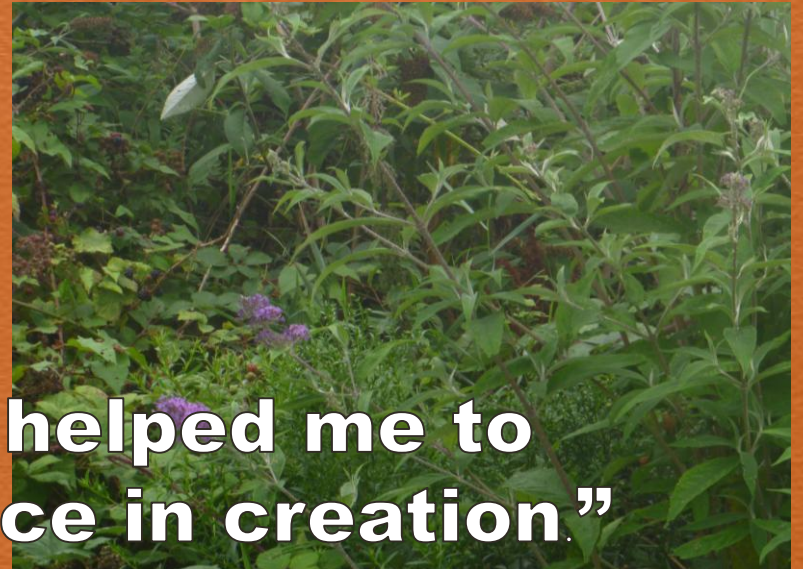
“Hearing the noise of the river made me think - everything comes from the source(which is God) and returns to the source.”

At first I did not find the venue at all inspiring but I was affected by the silence and it made me realise how unusual it is.

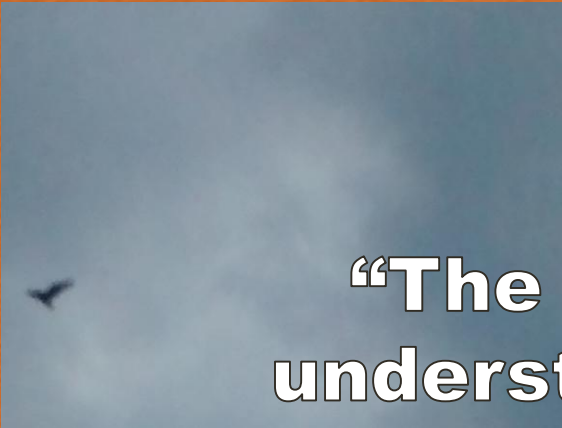
I discovered that I can only truly 'enter ' the experience in silence.



“I felt a great responsibility to protect what I could see and hear.”
Can you see the bee, the butterfly and the bug?



“The reflections helped me to understand my place in creation.”



As we walked on we came to the river Mersey with a wonderful view of Liverpool. I looked down and thought of all the fish that make their way through the waters, although I didn't see any at the time. It was wonderful to be on a part of our spiritual journey out in the open air with some of our community – God's greatest Creation.

**“It was really good to do something
outside the church building ...a different
way of spirituality;
I hope we do it again”**



“the place of my birth.

The land of my Father and Faith”

“I was thankful for God's bounty, there was no rain till it was time to go home and when I reached home, I was thankful that I had shelter and prayed for those that had none”





**“Its hard to believe this is all
within three miles of Highfield Road”**

“Is there anything, in fact, more joyful than the countryside, or much richer than nature, especially when the soul, that is as religious as it is sensitive, discovers in every leaf and on the wing of each atom, the great name of the Eternal One .”

St Eugene de Mazenod





“I liked...

the silence, the wild flowers, the colours, the nettles in with the blackberries, being with like minded people, being able to take time to notice.”

“I munched on blackberries which were amazingly sweet. Suddenly out of nowhere a verse from Scripture popped into my mind - Eve's response to God in the Garden as he asks her why she ate the apple .

The words ' these blackberries are pleasing to the eye and look good to eat, so I was tempted and ate' surfaced in my mind.”

**“From a wasteland to wild
flowers”**

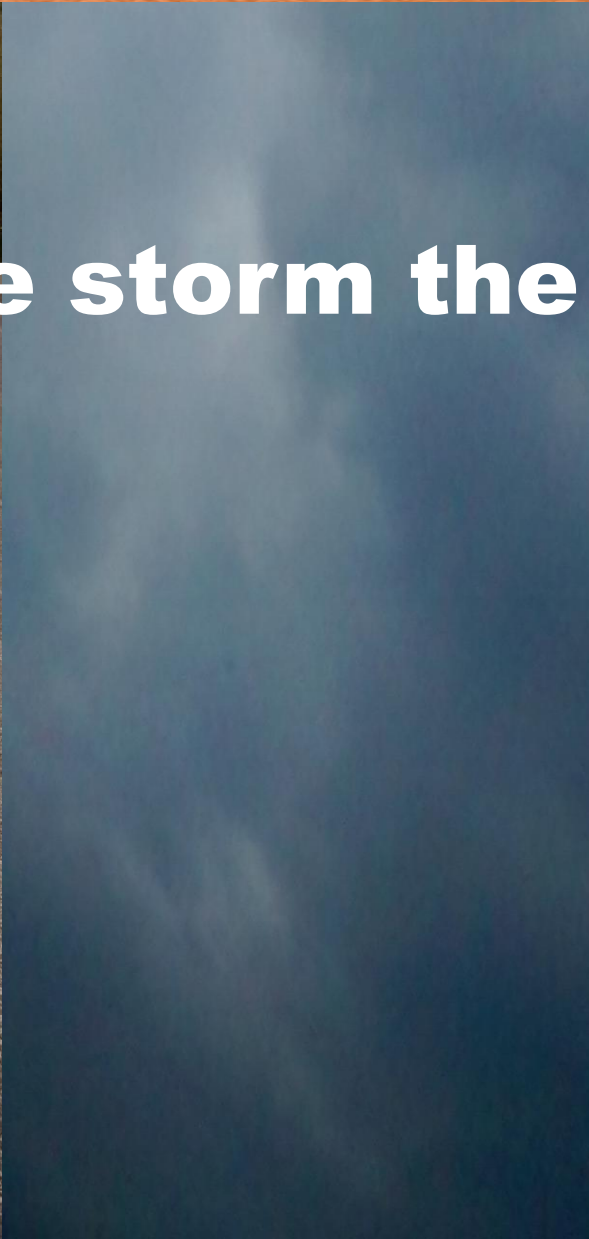
**The Riverside Park is maintained by
the Autistic Society**



“At the end of our walk we came together to share a little on what we had seen, heard, touched and smelt. We finished by tasting some of the fruits of the earth. As it began to rain, I began to ponder on places where there is little rain, and nations suffer and die because of it.”

“ Like a dry weary land without water..”

After the storm the debris



“How great is your name,
Oh Lord our God
through all the earth.”





What a lovely way to spend a
Sunday afternoon



WE
ARE THE
GUARDIANS
— OF —
CREATION

-POPE FRANCIS-

Many thanks to
the Friends of
St Eugene for
the invitation.

Hoping the
journey will
continue.

Time to think, catch your breath.

Peace within.

Thank the Lord for all your gifts

Enjoy what you see, hear the water, smell the
air.

Meet with joy your neighbours of the
world

Time to ponder

new friends, old friends ,wish them well

Taste what has grown

Peace within



Give Nature A Home



**NATURE IS STRUGGLING BUT IF WE ALL PULL TOGETHER
AND DO SMALL ACTIONS FOR WILDLIFE IN OUR
GARDEN AND OUTDOOR SPACES,
WE CAN MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE.
AFTER ALL, IF THERE'S NO HOME FOR NATURE,
THERE WILL BE NO NATURE.**

