

Pope Benedict XVI state visit to Britain

Pope Benedict's four-day tour of England and Scotland is the first since John Paul II's pastoral visit in 1982 – and the first-ever official visit to the UK by a pope

1 Sep 16, Edinburgh: Pope receives state welcome and meets **Queen Elizabeth II** at Palace of Holyroodhouse

2 Glasgow: Celebrates mass at Bellahouston Park

3 Sep 17, London: Meets Archbishop of Canterbury **Rowan Williams**, leader of Church of England, at Lambeth Palace. Addresses representatives of British society at Westminster Hall

Sep 18: Celebrates mass in Westminster Cathedral. Leads prayers in Hyde Park

4 Sep 19, Birmingham: Celebrates beatification of Cardinal **John Henry Newman** in Cofton Park. Meets bishops of England, Scotland and Wales in Oscott College

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