

REGISTRATION FORM

Please reserve _____ seat(s) on:

A CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE TOUR TO IRELAND LED BY FR. IAN WILLIAMS

September 30 – October 10, 2024

Please enclose a \$600 deposit per person

Name(s) _____

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Rooming with: _____

OR

I request a single room at an additional \$1,000.

My signature on the line below indicates that I have read and agree to the terms and conditions in this brochure.

**Make check or money order payable to
Pilgrimage Tours and return to:**

**St. Helen's Parish
302 N. Madison Street
Hebron, IN 46341**

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

AIR TRANSPORTATION: Round-trip coach class on American, Delta, United or other International Air Transport Association member. Meals served in flight.

LAND TRANSPORTATION & SERVICES: By deluxe air-conditioned motor coach with professional driver, services of an English-speaking tour guide, all admission & entrance fees and international airport transfers. Mass scheduled daily. Daily schedule per your itinerary, however we reserve the right to modify any itinerary if circumstances deem necessary.

LODGING: First-class accommodations, based upon double occupancy with limited single accommodations available at an additional charge of \$1,000.

MEALS: Breakfast Buffet and Dinner DAILY.

ALSO INCLUDED IN PRICE: All taxes, including airport taxes. Gratuities for tour directors, local guides, bus drivers, porters, wait staff, housekeeping and front desk personnel. Tipping will be conducted by a tour leader during the course of your tour.

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE: The cost of obtaining your passport and visa fees to some countries, meals not included in the itinerary, wines, liquors, bottled waters, coffee or tea, personal items, laundry services, room service charges, long-distance phone calls, excess baggage, airport service charges and any sightseeing not included in the itinerary.

GROUP REQUIREMENT: The minimum number of passengers needed to assure a group's departure is 15. We reserve the right to cancel up to 30 days from departure should the total number of registered passengers be fewer than 15. If there are fewer than 15 passengers, Pilgrimage Tours will do all that is possible to assure your group's departure without having to resort to charging a supplemental fee for a group with less than 15 passengers. If Pilgrimage Tours cancels, you will receive a full refund.

DEPOSIT AND FULL PAYMENT: A deposit/payment of \$600 towards the price of the tour, per person is required to book your reservation. The balance is to be paid in full no later than two months prior to departure; July 30, 2024. Balances not paid by this date may be subject to a \$200 late payment fee. Reservations made within 30 days of departure may be subject to a \$200 late reservation fee. Upon receipt of your completed registration form and deposit, a confirmation invoice along with travel insurance & other information will be mailed to you.

INSURANCE: Trip Cancellation and Interruption Insurance is highly recommended. Cancellation fees are covered by CSA Travel Protection's plan, as long as your premium has been paid, your policy is in effect and the reason for your canceling is insurable. Waivers for pre-existing medical conditions are available at no additional cost, but your policy must be purchased before your final payment for the tour.

CANCELLATION FEES: Passengers not taking the CSA travel insurance need to be aware of the following **cancellation fees.** From day of registration to three months prior to departure, you may cancel for any reason without penalty and receive a full refund of your deposit. The remaining cancellation fee schedule is as follows: 89-60 days = \$300; 59-45 days = 50% of tour price; 44-30 days = 75% of tour price; 29-15 days = 80% of tour price; 14 days or less = 100% of tour price.

RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY: Pilgrimage Tours LLC acts only as an agent for hotels, transportation companies, sightseeing tours or any service in connection with the itineraries of tour members who by acceptance thereof, acknowledge that neither Pilgrimage Tours LLC and/or its agents and suppliers shall be liable for accident, injury, damage, loss, liability or expense to person or property due to any acts by hotel, carrier or other company providing services included in the tour. Further, Pilgrimage Tours LLC and its agents accept no responsibility for any sickness, theft, loss of property, labor disputes, machinery breakdown, government restraints, acts of war and terrorism or by acts of God, pandemics, weather conditions, defect in any vehicle of transportation or for any misadventure or casualty or any other causes beyond their control. Any ARC or IATA carrier, including airlines, are not responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their planes or conveyances. Prices are estimated based on exchange rates and fuel charges effective April 18, 2024. Pilgrimage Tours LLC reserves the right to charge additional fees for any significant changes in either exchange rates or fuel surcharges.

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All deposits by check or money order.

**If paying your final balance by credit
card, the price of the tour will be
\$4,595.**

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You Are Invited To Join Fr. Ian Williams

on a Catholic Pilgrimage
Tour to Ireland



Apparition in Knock

Including:

**Glendalough, Kilkenny,
Cashel, Cobh, Blarney,
Killarney, Ring of Kerry,
Adare, Shannon, Limerick,
Bunratty, Cliffs of Moher,
Galway, Westport, Knock,
Clonmacnoise & Dublin.**

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\$4,395

All-inclusive from
Chicago, IL

DAILY MASS AT THE HOLY SITES

A CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE TOUR TO IRELAND

UNDER THE SPIRITUAL DIRECTION OF FR. IAN WILLIAMS

September 30, 2024 - Monday CHICAGO / IRELAND

Today we gather at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport for our direct, overnight flight to Ireland. Meals are served on board our transatlantic flight.

October 1, 2024 - Tuesday DUBLIN / GLENDALOUGH / KILKENNY

This morning we arrive in Dublin, Ireland's capital, where we are greeted by our Pilgrimage Tours' tour director and board our motor coach for an orientation tour of Dublin followed by a scenic drive to peaceful Glendalough, where upon our arrival we will celebrate Mass at Saint Kevin's Church. Following free time for lunch, we enjoy a guided tour of the ruins of Saint Kevin's Monastery. From here we drive to the town of Kilkenny where we stop outside of Kilkenny Castle for picture-taking. We will next arrive at Smithwick's Brewery and enjoy a guided tour of the brewery, including a tasting of their famous ale. Finally, we arrive at our hotel in Kilkenny for dinner and overnight.

October 2, 2024 - Wednesday KILKENNY / CASHEL / COBH / BLARNEY / KILLARNEY

Today we depart for Killarney. En route we will visit the famous Rock of Cashel, where we will learn its history from a local guide. We continue onto the harbor town of Cobh where we visit and celebrate Mass at Saint Colman's Cathedral, followed by a visit to Cobh's heritage center where we see an exhibit about the Old Queenstown Story, including its ties with the "unsinkable" Titanic. We continue onto picturesque Blarney and an opportunity to climb the staircase of the 15th century Blarney Castle, famous for the "Blarney Stone," the

legendary "Stone of Eloquence". It is believed that after kissing the Blarney Stone, you will never again be lost for words. While here, we take time to shop at the famous Blarney Woolen Mill before departing for Killarney, where we will see the many quaint and colorful homes and businesses that are unique to Killarney. Dinner and overnight in Killarney.

October 3, 2024 - Thursday KILLARNEY / RING OF KERRY

This morning we visit and celebrate Mass at Killarney's great neo-Gothic Saint Mary's Cathedral built in the 19th century. Following Mass, we enjoy a drive through the most picturesque section of the Ring of Kerry where we see quaint, historic villages and high mountain terrain. The highlights of our tour include Molls Gap and Ladies View which provide the best views of the Lakes of Killarney. Upon our return to Killarney, we enjoy a jaunting car ride, entering Killarney National Park and pausing for some time for pictures at Ross Castle. The rest of our afternoon is free for personal exploration of this classic Irish town. Dinner and overnight in Killarney.

October 4, 2024 - Friday KILLARNEY / ADARE / SHANNON / BUNRATTY / LIMERICK

Our day begins with another visit to St. Mary's Cathedral, where we celebrate Mass. Following Mass, we drive to the quaint town of Adare where we see its characteristic thatched-roof houses and spend free time exploring its interesting shops. Following a stop outside of Adare Castle for picture-taking, we drive to Shannon and arrive at our hotel for check-in and some time to rest and freshen up for this evening's medieval banquet at Bunratty Castle. Overnight in Limerick.

October 5, 2024 - Saturday LIMERICK / DOOLIN / ARAN ISLANDS / CLIFFS OF MOHER / GALWAY

Today we depart on a scenic drive through Shannon en route to the coastal town Doolin, where we board our ferry boat for the short ride to the Aran Islands, arriving on Inisheer Island where we will take in the sites and sounds of the rich culture and enjoy the island's distinctive charm. While here we will see Inisheer's iconic thatched

cottages, its lighthouse, and the remains of the early 15th century O'Brien's Castle. We return to Ireland's coast and drive to the dramatic Cliffs of Moher which span some five miles along the rugged coastline and reach heights of greater than 700 feet over the Atlantic Ocean. We continue north and drive through The Burren, a vast lunar-like landscape harboring some 2000 species of rare flowers and plants that live on top of unique rock formations. We continue onto Galway City, where upon our arrival, we enjoy a walking tour of this seaside town, followed by free time prior to arriving at our hotel for check-in. Dinner and overnight in Galway.

October 6, 2024 - Sunday GALWAY / WESTPORT / CROAGH PATRICK / CLAREMORRIS

This morning we visit and celebrate Mass at the beautifully stained-glass Galway Cathedral. Following Mass, we depart for the quaint, seaside town of Westport, where we enjoy free time exploring its many shops along its beautiful tree-lined boulevard, running parallel to the Carrowbeg River. In the afternoon, we drive to Croagh Patrick; Ireland's Holy Mountain, where tradition states that Saint Patrick spent 40 days fasting during Lent in 441. The site has been a place of Christian worship and pilgrimage ever since. Those who wish may climb a short way to a small shrine which is part way up the mountain or "croagh". Late afternoon we drive to Claremorris for dinner and overnight.

October 7, 2024 - Monday CLAREMORRIS / KNOCK / CLONMACNOISE / DUBLIN

Today we will visit Knock, the single most important Marian Shrine in all of Ireland. Here we visit the Basilica Shrine of Our Lady of Knock, "Queen of Ireland". We will also visit and celebrate Mass in the Apparition Chapel where the apparition of Our Lady, St. Joseph and St. John the Evangelist occurred and was witnessed by more than a dozen people in 1879. The remainder of our morning is free to explore the local merchants as well as the Sanctuary's grounds. Following free time for lunch, we drive to Clonmacnoise, a monastic site situated on the banks of the River Shannon. Here we see the ruins of a cathedral, two round towers, several churches,

and high crosses, as well as a large collection of early Christian grave stones. We continue onto Dublin for dinner and overnight.

October 8, 2024 - Tuesday DUBLIN

This morning we awake in Dublin. Our day begins with a motor coach tour of Ireland's capital, including a drive by the Christ Church Cathedral, or Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, founded by the Danes in 1030. We arrive at Whitefriar Street Carmelite Church, where we will celebrate Mass and see the Shrine of Our Lady of Dublin. In the afternoon we will visit St. Patrick's Cathedral, which was founded in 1190, as well as visit Trinity College, founded in 1592 by Queen Elizabeth I, and tour its historic library and view the world-famous Book of Kells. This evening, we will visit the Merry Ploughboys to experience their famous "Irish Night & Banquet Show", including traditional ballads, music & dance. Overnight in Dublin.

October 9, 2024 - Wednesday DUBLIN

Our day begins with a visit and celebration of Mass at Saint Mary's Pro Cathedral, followed by a visit to the Legion of Mary, whose members volunteer their time in service of the Catholic Church. Here we will learn about the life's work of Frank Duff, "Servant of God", who founded the Legion of Mary in 1921. Following free time for lunch, we will visit the highly renowned Guinness Brewery and its "Storehouse", including its Hop Store and Visitor's Centre. Following a tour of the brewery, we arrive at their observation deck overlooking Dublin, where we will sample the brewery's latest batch of their famous libation. We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

October 10, 2024 - Thursday DUBLIN / CHICAGO

Following breakfast this morning, we bid Ireland farewell and drive to Dublin Airport for our return flight home. Though our pilgrimage draws to a close, its blessings will last a lifetime and its graces are certain to draw us closer to the Lord.