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CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE TO
IRELAND

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PATRICK

12 DAYS - SEPT. 22 - OCT. 03, 2025



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\$4,950



Dublin, Ireland

Per Person - Departure from Washington DC
\$4,150 for "Land Only" Package



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Included

- * Round-trip airfare
- * Airport taxes/fuel surcharges
- * First-class hotels
- * Ground transportation
- * Tips for your tour guide and driver
- * Breakfast and dinner
- * Site admission fees
- * Daily Masses
- * Professional tour guides
- * Medical protection plan

Not Included

- * Trip-cancellation insurance (strongly recommended and available at an additional cost)
- * Passport/Visa costs
- * Personal items/expenses
- * Meals not specified in the itinerary
- * Items not specifically mentioned above

Registration

- * Submit registration form, passport copy, & non-refundable \$300 deposit to Nativity Pilgrimage.
- * Names on the registration form and passport must match exactly.
- * U.S. passports must be current up to six months after the return date.
- * We are not responsible for Visa procurement.
- * Full payment is due 100 days before departure on 06/13/25.



DAY 1: DEPART FOR IRELAND

09/22/25: Depart Washington Dulles International Airport via Aer Lingus on our transatlantic flight to Dublin, Ireland. Complimentary dinner, breakfast, and beverages will be served in-flight.

DAY 2: ARRIVE IN DUBLIN | BOYNE VALLEY | HILL OF TARA & HILL OF SLANE | MONASTERBOICE | ARMAGH

09/23/25: Upon arriving at Dublin Airport, we'll meet our Nativity Pilgrimage tour manager. We'll head to the Boyne Valley in a private vehicle, starting with the Hill of Tara, the site of Ireland's High Kings, and then visit the Hill of Slane, where St. Patrick lit a Paschal fire in 433. After lunch, we'll explore Monasterboice and check into our hotel before attending Mass and Evening Prayer at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Armagh, followed by dinner and a restful night.

DAY 3: ARMAGH | DOWNPATRICK

09/24/25: We're starting our day with an Irish breakfast before heading to Armagh, Ireland's spiritual capital. We'll visit St. Patrick's original stone church at the Anglican Cathedral and the twin-spired Catholic Cathedral. In Downpatrick, we'll see the boulder marking St. Patrick's burial site. After lunch, we'll explore the County Museum, the 18th-century County Gaol, and the St. Patrick's Centre. We'll end the day with Evening Prayer and Mass at St. Patrick's Church, followed by dinner and an overnight stay in Armagh.

DAY 4: BELFAST | GIANT'S CAUSEWAY | DERRY

09/25/25: After breakfast, we'll head to Belfast for an orientation tour, visiting landmarks like Falls Road, the Bobby Sands Mural, and the Peace Wall. Don't miss Titanic Belfast, and we'll also stop for a photo at Belfast Castle. After lunch, we'll explore the stunning Giant's Causeway with its unique basalt columns. Our day continues in Derry for Mass at St. Eugene Cathedral, followed by dinner and a restful night at our hotel. It promises to be an unforgettable day!

DAY 5: SLIGO | KNOCK | WESTPORT

09/26/25: After breakfast, we'll embark on a walking tour of Derry, exploring St. Augustine's Church, the Bloody Sunday Memorial, and the Guildhall. As we travel to Sligo, we'll enjoy the beautiful landscapes that inspired W.B. Yeats. After lunch, we'll visit the serene Knock Shrine and celebrate Mass at the Chapel of the Apparition. Finally, we'll check into our hotel in Westport for a cozy evening and a delicious dinner.

DAY 6: BALLINTUBBER ABBEY | CROAGH PATRICK | CONNEMARA

09/27/25: After a delightful breakfast, we'll visit Ballintubber Abbey, where Mass has been celebrated for over 800 years. This historic site, dedicated to St. Patrick and others, offers a unique spiritual experience. Then, we'll explore Croagh Patrick, a mountain rich in sacred history. After lunch, we'll head to beautiful Connemara to take in the stunning views of the ocean and Killary Harbor. Finally, we'll relax with dinner at our lovely hotel in Westport.



Knock Shrine



St. Patrick's Cathedral



Cliffs of Moher



Rock of Cashel



Blarney Castle



Kylemore Abbey



Down Cathedral



Rings of Kerry

DAY 7: BURREN REGION | CLIFFS OF MOHER | GLENSTAL ABBEY

09/28/25: Today is set to be exciting as we explore the stunning Burren Region! We'll start at the breathtaking Cliffs of Moher, then enjoy lunch before visiting the peaceful Glenstal Abbey to join in Evening Prayer and Mass. After checking in at our hotel, we'll freshen up for a nice dinner and a cozy overnight stay in Limerick!

DAY 8: LIMERICK | BLARNEY | JAMESON DISTILLERY MIDLETON | CORK

09/29/25: Let's begin the day with a joyful Mass at St. Mary's or St. Augustine's Church. Next, we'll visit Blarney Castle to kiss the famous Blarney Stone, followed by shopping at Blarney Woollen Mills. After lunch, we'll tour the Jameson Distillery Midleton for a tasting experience. Finally, we'll check into our Cork hotel for a relaxing dinner and overnight stay.

DAY 9: ROCK OF CASHEL | KILDARE | DUBLIN

09/30/25: Today, we're thrilled to leave Limerick for Dublin! We'll explore the enchanting Rock of Cashel, enjoy lunch, and celebrate Mass in Cashel or Kildare. In the afternoon, we'll visit Kildare's historic sites, including the Earls of Kildare castle, the Abbey, the 13th-century cathedral, and the ancient round tower. After

this, we'll check into our hotel in Dublin, followed by dinner and a restful night.

DAY 10: EXCURSION TO GLENDALOUGH

10/01/25: We'll start our day with breakfast at the hotel, followed by a Morning Prayer. Then, we're off to Glendalough in the Wicklow Hills for Mass at the Shrine and a lovely lunch. In the afternoon, we'll visit the village of Avoca, home to Ireland's oldest business, Avoca Hand Weavers, where we'll watch a traditional weaving demonstration. After a fulfilling day, we'll return to Dublin for dinner and a restful night at the hotel.

DAY 11: HIGHLIGHTS OF DUBLIN | FAREWELL DINNER

10/02/25: Join us for Morning Prayer at our hotel, followed by Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. We'll explore Dublin, visiting the Doors of Dublin, Georgian squares, and Phoenix Park, along with the Book of Kells and St. Patrick's Cathedral. After lunch, enjoy optional activities like the Guinness Storehouse or Grafton Street. In the evening, we'll have dinner and entertainment at The Merry Ploughboy Pub before returning to our hotel.

DAY 12: RETURN FROM DUBLIN

10/03/25: After an early breakfast at our hotel, we will board our bus to Dublin Airport for our flight home.



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Your Package Includes

Air Transportation: Economy class and round-trip fares are based on the time of the reservation. Rates and times are subject to change without notice. Airfares, once issued, are non-refundable, non-transferable, and cannot be used towards future travel.

Land Transportation: All land transportation as described in the itinerary will be by Deluxe Motor Coach. Some may be equipped with Wi-Fi service.

Hotels: Your hotels will be first-class with double occupancy (2 people per room with a private bath). Neither Nativity Pilgrimage nor the trip coordinator are responsible for providing a roommate.

Single Room: There is an additional cost per person as specified on the registration form. Single rooms are limited and will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

Meal Plan: The meal plan offers breakfast & dinner daily, unless otherwise stated.

Baggage: Nativity Pilgrimage limits all passengers to one (1) piece of checked luggage and one (1) carry-on. All passengers should check with the airlines carriers for up to date baggage weight and dimensions.

Airport Fees: Airport Taxes, Portage, Fuel Surcharges and Security Fees

Medical Protection Plan During the Trip

Tips: All tips included for the guide, bus driver, porters (luggage handling), and wait staff (for included meals)

Your Package Does Not Include

Cancellation Protection Plan: We highly recommend purchasing travel insurance upon registration.

Passport Expenses: Passports or any additional documents that may be required. Passports must be valid after 6 months of return date.

Personal Items: Laundry, other beverages (wines, liquors, mineral water, tea, coffee, etc.) and food that are not on the menus of your included meal package, and any additional luggage.

Non-itinerary fees: Any sightseeing, other services, or personal items that are not specifically mentioned as being included in the itinerary.

Extra food/beverage: You are responsible for any meals not specified in your itinerary.

General Travel Information

Group Air: Group Air differs from individually purchased airline tickets in that it is subject to the terms and conditions of the airlines. For this reason, we need to receive your registration and full payment by the payment deadline. After that date, registrations may be subject to a different air rate, ticketing method, or on a different airline. Additional fees and charges may apply. Group air flights are confirmed 60 - 90 days prior to departure.

Departure Cities: If your departure city is not listed on the brochure, indicate which airport you would like to depart from on the registration form. We will provide you with the best possible price and flight schedule in order to connect with the group. Additional fees and charges may apply.

Land-Only Option: If you would like to book your own air travel, indicate on your registration form that you want the 'Land Only' option. By booking your own air, you may select your seat, airline, and travel schedule, use airline miles/points, provide airline reward program information, and make any special requests directly with the airline. No changes can be made after the final payment deadline. Land-only services begin and end at the hotels unless you are able to meet the group at the airport. Land-only travelers are responsible for their own airport transfers.

Important Nativity Pilgrimage Policies

The airline selects seat assignments for group air, not the tour operator. Seat upgrades are available for registered travelers, by request. Quoted rates for an upgrade are subject to change until payment is received. Some upgrades are not available until the group tickets are issued.

Single Room Supplement: Tour price based on double-occupancy. If you wish to stay in a single room, there is an additional single room supplement of \$1,000.

Seat Upgrades: Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives an upgrade request, we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee the acceptance of this request as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily)

Seat Location Requests: Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives a seat location request, we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee acceptance of this request as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

Other Special Requests: Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives a special request, such as a wheelchair, food, etc., we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee acceptance of this request as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily)

Booking Conditions

Deposit: A non-refundable deposit of \$300.00 per person is required at the time of booking. No reservation will be processed without a deposit.

Payment Deadline: Full payment is due 06/13/25 (100 Days before departure). Late registrations received after the deadline require an additional \$100 (subject to availability). If payment is not made in full 50 days prior to departure, your payments are non-refundable.

You may use any major credit card to pay your deposit online. There is an additional 3% fee for each credit card transaction. We also accept checks, money orders, Zelle payments, and ACH transactions.

Late Payment Policy

Customers will receive Late Fees if they are not paid in full:

100 days - 61 days prior to departure.....\$150

60 days - 30 days prior to departure.....\$300

30 days - day before departure.....**Subject to cancellation**

Customers are also responsible for any difference in fare due to late payment (subject to availability). Refusal to pay will be considered a cancellation.

Cancellation/Refund Policy

We hope that nothing will prevent you from taking your pilgrimage with Nativity Pilgrimage, however, should you need to cancel your cancellation must be in writing via email or letter. It will be effective on the date of receipt. The following cancellation fees will apply:

Days Prior to Departure

100 + Days

99-50 Days

49 Days

Charge

Lose Deposit

50% of trip cost

100% of trip cost

Insurance premiums are non-refundable. We highly recommend purchasing travel insurance to avoid these cancellation fees.

Protect Your Trip



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Responsibility

Nativity Pilgrimage, Inc. and their agents assume no liability or responsibility in regards to travel in any form for any injuries or loss of property, accidents, delays, changes in schedule or itinerary, incidental damages or any irregular circumstances.

This would include, but not limited to, default or omission by any third party providing services or facilities related to and/or included in the tour or any part thereof.

The IATA carriers, steamship firms and other transportation companies, whose services are featured in these tours, are not to be held responsible or accountable for any act, omission or event during the time the passengers are not on board their respective conveyance. The passage contract in use by these companies, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the companies and the purchaser of these tours and/or passengers and Nativity Pilgrimage, Inc. does not assume any liability or responsibility in connection therewith. They are not responsible for any losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, guarantees, or other causes. All such losses or expenses shall be borne by the passenger as tour rates provide for arrangements only for the time stated. The right is reserved to substitute hotels of similar quality to those specified in the itinerary. Nativity Pilgrimage reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. Refund details vary upon each trip. No refund will be made for any used portion of the tour unless arrangements are made prior to departure from the United States. Prices and itineraries are subject to change without notice if booking conditions are not complied with.

