

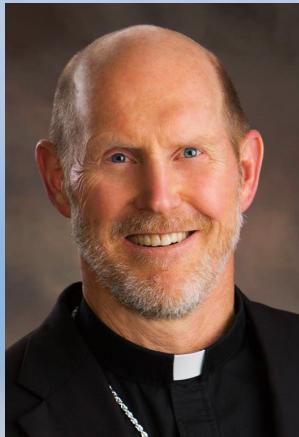
The Catholic Messenger
Presents a Pilgrimage to Ireland

Faith of the Irish

with
Bishop Thomas Zinkula

10 Days

August 31-September 9, 2022



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WHAT'S THE COST?

Land and Air
\$4095.00

Land Only
\$3495.00

Solo Traveler
(Additional Cost)
\$895.00

Prices are valid only if the deposit is received no later than April 8, 2022

Final payment due May 20, 2022



This active program

covers a good amount

of ground each day.

You need to be able to

walk for 60 minutes

straight and on

uneven surfaces.

Some stairs will be

encountered.

DAILY ITINERARY



August 31, DAY 1: DEPART FROM USA

Depart on an overnight flight from Chicago to Dublin. Dinner and breakfast will be served on board the aircraft.



September 1, DAY 2: DUBLIN – THE FAIR CITY

We arrive at Dublin Airport where we are greeted by our driver/guide who welcomes us to Ireland. Dublin, the name derives from “Dubh linn,” the Black Pool which was in the heart of historic Dublin. Many know the city by its nickname, “The Fair City.” Our day starts with morning Mass at St. Mary Pro-Cathedral, followed by a panoramic bus tour of Dublin, including stops at St. Patrick Cathedral (Church of Ireland) and Trinity College, established by Henry VIII to nurture the New Faith (Protestantism), while Catholicism was outlawed for over three hundred years. We see the famous Book of Kells displayed at the college. Next stop is the Guinness Brewery for a taste of the famous ale. Welcome dinner is at the hotel tonight. Overnight in Dublin. (Welcome dinner)



September 2, DAY 3: ST. PATRICK'S COUNTRY: ARMAGH – DOWNPATRICK – DUBLIN

This morning we are on the way to Armagh, Ireland's ecclesiastical capital, home of two cathedrals named after St. Patrick. We celebrate Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral, followed by Holy Hour. We then travel through St. Patrick's country to Downpatrick. According to tradition, St. Patrick was buried in 461 on Cathedral Hill within the grounds of Down Cathedral. We visit the museum dedicated to St. Patrick and see the Saint's burial site. Return to Dublin for dinner and overnight. (B, D)



September 3, DAY 4: FATHER PEYTON FAMILY ROSARY CENTER-SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF KNOCK

After breakfast, we depart for a three-hour drive to the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock. Along the way, we stop at the Father Peyton Center, the home of the founder of the legendary global Family Rosary Crusade. We visit Knock Shrine, which is one of the world's leading Marian shrines. On August 21, 1879, fifteen men, women and children witnessed an Apparition of Mary. We celebrate Mass, and visit the Basilica, the largest church in Ireland. Knock is a very popular pilgrimage destination, including Saint John Paul II, who visited in 1979. After Mass, we have time for private prayer at the shrine. Overnight in the area. (B, D)



September 4, DAY 5: CROAGH PATRICK – KYLEMORE ABBEY – GALWAY

Our first stop is the Holy Mountain of Croagh Patrick where St. Patrick fasted for 40 days. After a brief stop at the visitor's center, we continue through the magnificent scenery of Connemara to Kylemore Abbey for a visit with lunch. Here we celebrate Mass. In the afternoon, we arrive in Galway and settle into our hotel. Dinner is at leisure as Galway is a perfect city for a pub crawl where many of the pubs serve great food accompanied by Irish music. Pilgrims have an open evening to explore the pub music scene and Irish culture. Overnight in Galway. (B, L)



September 5, DAY 6: GALWAY – THE BURREN – CLIFFS OF MOHER

After breakfast, we head south along the coastline toward the famous Cliffs of Moher. Along the way, we stop to visit an authentic Irish farm, where pilgrims can get a glimpse of this important part of Irish industry (including a scone-making demonstration at the farmhouse). We then travel through the ancient burial grounds and unique countryside of the Burren before arriving at the Cliffs of Moher, where we will have time to hike along the cliff trails, relax, read poetry, etc. We stop at one of the many St. Brigid's Wells, found throughout Ireland for an outdoor Mass (weather permitting). Then, head out to our hotel in Limerick. After check-in, a brief rest, and an opportunity to freshen up, we conclude our day with a very entertaining medieval dinner at Bunratty Castle. Overnight in Limerick. (Breakfast, Special Dinner)



September 6, DAY 7: COBH – JAMESON'S – CORK

Our first stop is Cobh, with one of the most spectacular vistas in all of Ireland. We will visit the Cobh Heritage Centre, which tells the story of the 2 million-plus immigrants



WE GIVE BACK

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who departed from Cobh Harbor to foreign lands. Cobh was also the last port of call for the Titanic before she sank. Naturally, we will also have some time for a 'spirited' visit to the famous Jameson Irish whiskey distillery. Our evening tonight is in the historic seaport town of Cork. Some of the main streets are built over channels where ships nuzzled their anchor chains a century ago. Mass will be celebrated. Dinner tonight is at a local pub.
(B, Special dinner)

September 7, DAY 8: BLARNEY – ROCK OF CASHEL – KILDARE

Today we are off to Blarney Castle, where you acquire the 'gift of gab' by kissing the Blarney Stone. The Woollen Mills next door offer some great shopping for traditional Irish gifts. We continue our drive to the "Rock of Cashel" dating from the 12th-century, the ruins from the most spectacular medieval romantic site in Ireland. Our next stop is the Holy Cross Abbey to celebrate Mass. Our day ends in Kildare where we visit St. Brigid's Cathedral and the Round Tower and have time to explore the lovely little town. Overnight in Kildare. (B, D)

September 8, DAY 9: GLENDALOUGH – DUBLIN

We drive from Kildare to Glendalough, where according to legend, St. Kevin retired to be alone because his good looks made him a source of temptation. This ancient monastic city, established in the 6th-century by St. Kevin, is in the heart of "the valley of the two lakes." It was a very important center of learning as well as a pilgrimage destination. There are many legends concerning St. Kevin and he is often compared to St. Francis of Assisi. You will be taken on a guided tour of the site, in which you will see the Round Tower, the ruins of the Cathedral, and "St. Kevin's Kitchen" that is surrounded by an old cemetery. In time, this community became a great center of learning known as "Rome of the West." We celebrate Mass at St. Joseph Church. Tonight, we gather in the lobby of our hotel to board the bus which takes us to a fun and festive Irish evening. Enjoy a night of laughter, singing, and dancing in true Irish party tradition. Overnight Dublin. (Farewell dinner)

September 9, DAY 10: DUBLIN – USA

Following breakfast this morning, we depart for the USA. (B)



YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES

- Roundtrip bus transportation from the Diocesan Center to Chicago O'Hare airport-based on a minimum of 30 pax traveling
- Roundtrip airfare from Chicago to Dublin
- Airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- Deluxe Motor Coach during the entire tour
- Accommodations in four-star hotels for 8 nights
- Driver Guide services during the entire tour
- Welcome dinner with a choice of wine, beer, or soft drinks
- Traditional Irish Show in Dublin including dinner with a choice of wine, beer, or soft drinks
- Banquet dinner at Bunratty Castle or Knappogue Castle including dinner and choice of wine, beer, or soft drinks
- Buffet breakfast and dinner as specified (soft drinks and beverages are not included)
- Choice of coffee or tea at all included meals
- Daily Mass
- Whisper sets
- Porterage included for one suitcase per person
- Select International Tours travel portfolio
- The assistance of a Select International Tours representative

RATES DO NOT INCLUDE

- Personal expenses
- Any items not specifically mentioned in the listed inclusions
- Tips and gratuities in the amount of \$190.00 per person will be added to the invoice for the guide, driver, and wait staff
- Church donations
- We recommend you consider purchasing CFAR Travel Protection

BAGGAGE CHARGES NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP COST:

- Any airline baggage charges
- Baggage handling at train stations, airports, and hotels in excess of one suitcase per person
- Any charges incurred due to excessive luggage including the cost of an additional baggage vehicle or portage charges

Deposits and final payment: A **deposit of \$500.00** per person by check should accompany the enrollment form along with your optional travel protection payment and a copy of your passport picture page by **April 8, 2022**. **A late payment fee of \$100 will be charged per person for all payments received after the final payment date.** Please mail your payment to: Select International Tours, 85 Park Ave., Flemington, NJ 08822 Attn: Marianne Szeluga, 800-842-4842, marianne@select-intl.com.

Your passport must be valid through March 9, 2023. Reservations will not be processed until we have passport copies. Prices quoted are based on payments by check. Prices: \$4095.00 for the complete package; \$3495.00 land only (air not included); additional \$895.00 solo traveler, additional cost, (in room by yourself). For credit card payments add 4%.

Pilgrimage prices: Prices are based on minimum 20 passengers. Prices may be adjusted in the event of fewer than 20 passengers, changes in currency conversion rates, or amendments in local government taxes and/or fuel surcharges. Prices are in US dollars. For European travel an exchange rate of US \$1.20 per Euro is assumed.

Solo Travel: A limited number of single rooms are available. Prices are based on two people per room. We do not guarantee roommates but will do our best to connect you with someone willing to share.

Land Only Option: Land only services start and end at the hotels and do not include any airfare. You are welcome to transfer from the airport with the group if you arrive at the same time, otherwise, transfers are not included.

Tour Cancellation Policy: Individual deposits are refundable except for a \$350.00 per person handling fee for cancellations made 90 days or more before departure. A \$500.00 non-refundable fee will be assessed if the reservation is canceled between 90 and 60 days prior to departure. Within 60 days of departure all payments are non-refundable regardless of reason for cancellations. All airline tickets are non-refundable once issued. All cancellations must be in writing. Unused portions of the trip are not refundable. If a roommate cancels, the cost of a solo supplement will be added to your invoice. You may be eligible for a refund through your travel protection. Refer to the U.S. Policy by State on our website.

Trip Cancellation Protection: We strongly encourage you to purchase a **Travel Protection Plan**, for the protection of your travel investment. Please consider purchasing this plan at the time of initial deposit in order to be covered for pre-existing conditions. Visit our website, www.selectinternationaltours.com, for details and costs, per person, for the Group Deluxe and Cancel for Any Reason (CFAR) plans. Please note that CFAR is not available in NY State. The plans contain insurance benefits underwritten by the United States Fire Insurance Company. The plans also contain non-insurance Travel Assistance Services that are provided by an independent organization.

Airline, seating and special requests: To best accommodate our pilgrims, we often utilize Group Air Reservations. These allow more predictable transfer and tour schedules.

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Walking: Our trips require daily walking, sometimes up or down slopes, steps, and uneven terrain. We recommend preparing oneself, by walking before the trip. Anyone needing assistance is required to be accompanied by a qualified and physically-able travel companion. We are not responsible for any medical condition that occurs prior, during or after the trip.

Safety Procedures: Select International Tours has undertaken a reasonable inquiry, with all the suppliers (including airlines, hotels, bus companies and other service providers) used on our trips to ensure they have instigated the best available procedures regarding the pandemic-protective policies advised by local government and health authorities. The client understands and agrees that the supplier(s) may not apply those policies as diligently as the policies suggest. In addition even if the supplier makes a good faith effort to enforce its good practices, some travelers may simply refuse to cooperate. Therefore the client agrees not to hold Select International Tours or group leaders responsible should they or anyone on the trip contract COVID-19 or any other illness during or after the trip.

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Shipping & Handling: \$15.00—not included in package price—will be added to each invoice. Your invoice will confirm the trip registration.

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Please complete this form and mail it to Select International Tours, along with your deposit, travel protection payment (if purchasing), and a copy of your passport picture page.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cell/Home Phone: _____ Contact Cell for Airline While Traveling: _____

Email Address: _____ Land only : Need help with flights from: _____
(Starts/ends at hotel, no airfare)

Medical/Dietary Needs: _____ MI: _____

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Room: (check one) Single (1 Bed) _____ Double (1 Bed, 2 People) _____ Twin (2 Beds, 2 People) _____ Triple (3 Beds) _____

Name of Roommate(s): _____ If single: Match me with a roommate Solo (in room by myself)

Emergency Contact (Name and Phone): _____

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