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**11 DAYS: September 19-30, 2023**

**Roundtrip from Minneapolis (MSP)**

**Under the Spiritual Direction  
of Fr. John Anderson and  
Fr. Richard Rhinehart**

**TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

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| ■ Dublin    | ■ Ring of Kerry |
| ■ Wexford   | ■ Galway        |
| ■ Cashel    | ■ Edinburgh     |
| ■ Killarney | ■ Glasgow       |

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# Day by Day Itinerary

**Day 1: Departure:** Our pilgrimage begins today as we depart on our overnight flight to Ireland. Meals and drinks served aloft.

**Day 2: Arrive Dublin:** Upon arrival in Dublin we will be met by our local Irish tour manager, who will remain with us for the duration of our pilgrimage. Depending upon our flight arrival time, we proceed into Dublin proper, the vibrant capital of Ireland, with a romantic aura of Old-World Europe, for a city tour. Beginning at the church of Our Lady of Lourdes, we venerate the tomb of Venerable Matt Talbot, 20th century commoner known for overcoming his alcoholism through the power of faith. We continue to St. Mary's Pro Cathedral – the Catholic Cathedral of Dublin, and the General Post Office, a striking example of Georgian architecture and site of the Easter Rising of 1916. Visit Trinity College to see the famous Book of Kells, the 9th century illuminated manuscript of the four Gospels. We'll end our guided visit today in the Old Town at Dublin Castle, the historic heart of Dublin, before checking in at our hotel. This evening, you may want to explore other parts of Dublin on your own, such as the Guinness Storehouse Brewery Tour.  
**Overnight: Dublin: (D)**

**Day 3: Dublin / Monasterboice / Faughart / Drogheda:** Following breakfast, depart for Silverstream Priory for Mass and a visit with the Benedictine Monks. Drive north to see the Celtic crosses in the historic ruins of Monasterboice, the remains of an early Christian monastic settlement. The three high crosses were constructed as early as the 10th century and other remaining ruins are from the 13th and 14th centuries. Continue north to Saint Brigid's Shrine and Well at the Hill of Faughart where this patron saint of Ireland was born and raised, includes ancient high cross and monastic settlement and St. Brigid's Stone, a penitential station, beside a holy well. In the afternoon visit St Peter's Church in Drogheda, famous for its tall west gable, rose window, and for containing the national shrine of St. Oliver Plunkett, the last Roman Catholic to be martyred in England. Return to Dublin. **Overnight: Dublin (B, D)**

**Day 4: Dublin / Glendalough / Our Lady's Island / Wexford:** This morning, we begin by visiting the Whitefriar Street Carmelite Church where we will venerate the relics of St. Valentine the Martyr at his shrine contained within the church, as well as the statue known as Our Lady of Dublin, the best loved statue in the city. Afterwards, depart for Glendalough, tucked away in the Wicklow Mountains, and established by St. Kevin in the 6th century. Seeking a place where he could commune with God without the distractions of worldly life, the young Kevin lived first in a tree, then in a cave, eventually attracting a following of those who wanted to pursue a similar monastic vocation. Explore the ruins of this ancient monastery and marvel at the faithful asceticism of the medieval monks. Continue our drive south to the coast to visit Our Lady's Island, a tiny island at the juncture of the Atlantic Ocean and Irish Sea, surrounded by a Salt Lake and cut off from the sea by a sand bar. It has been a place of pilgrimage since pre-Christian times, and St. Abban founded the original Christian settlement here, evangelizing the area and dedicating the island to the Virgin Mary, thus establishing the first Marian shrine in Ireland. **Overnight: Wexford (B, D)**

**Day 5: Wexford / Cashel / Cork:** We begin our day with a visit to the Irish National Heritage Park, an open-air museum that brings to life over 9000 years of Irish history.



Ring of Kerry

Continue to the Rock of Cashel, a monumental 12th century complex dominating the surrounding landscape. Tradition holds that it was here where Patrick first used the shamrock as an image of the Trinity and converted the pagan King of Munster. It hosts one of the most remarkable collections of Celtic art and medieval architecture in the region. After exploring this unique an historic location. **Overnight: Cork (B, D)**

**Day 6: Cork / Killarney:** This morning we begin at the Cathedral of Saint Mary and Saint Anne in Cork. Then depart for Killarney, situated in a spectacular location amidst mountains, glens and lakes. Sometimes known as the "Best Kept Town" in all of Ireland, Killarney is teeming with history, Irish heritage, and hospitality. Visit Muckross House and Abbey on the way, with a stop at the ruins of Aghadoe Church and Round Tower before spending the day in Killarney. The remainder of this afternoon is free to enable us to explore the interesting craft shops, quaint historic buildings and churches, or perhaps sample the traditional form of local transport, the jaunting car (a horse drawn wagon). **Overnight: Killarney (B, D)**

**Day 7: Killarney / Ring of Kerry (3.25hours driving):** Today we travel the road that winds around the beautiful Iveragh Peninsula, better known as "The Ring of Kerry." It is undoubtedly one of the most magical places in all Ireland. Here bogs, mountains, valleys, lakes and sea blend into a landscape that is often breathtaking beyond words. Even the names of the towns seem to whisper their beauty: Cahirciveen, Glenbeigh, Killorglin and Sneem. **Overnight: Killarney (B, D)**

**Day 8: Killarney / Galway:** Depart Killarney for Galway. We then travel via the lunar landscape of the Burren National Park to the magnificent Cliffs of Moher, a dramatic great sheer rock face rising 700 feet from the Atlantic Ocean. Continue to Galway, "the City of the Tribes," and visit the Galway Cathedral dedicated to Our Lady and St. Nicholas and the Collegiate Church

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of St. Nicholas with its famous Spanish Arch from where Columbus prayed before sailing for America. Afterwards, check into our hotel with the remainder of the day free to explore this charming city. **Overnight: Galway (B, D)**

**Day 9: Galway / Croagh Patrick / Ballintubber Abbey / Knock:** We depart Galway this morning and travel through Connemara, an area of outstanding scenic grandeur. There is a brooding sense of Ireland's ancient culture and traditions in this haunted and mystical area where Gaelic is still the everyday language. Visit Kylemore Abbey, the only remaining home of the Benedictine nuns in Ireland. Continue as pilgrims to Mount Croagh Patrick, an ancient and popular pilgrimage site considered to be the holiest mountain in Ireland. It was on the summit where St. Patrick prayed and fasted for 40 days. Proceed to Ballintubber Abbey which dates from the 13th Century. Mass has been celebrated here continuously for over 800 years, even during times of savage persecution. **Overnight: Knock (B, D)**

**Day 10: Knock / Clonmacnoise / Dublin:** This morning we celebrate Mass in the magnificent Basilica next to the original church where our Blessed Mother appeared in 1879 and where Pope John Paul II announced that the Church would be known as the Basilica of Our Lady, Queen of Ireland. Afterwards, journey to the early Christian monastery of Clonmacnoise, founded by St. Ciaran on the banks of the River Shannon. Here we can explore the ruins, including the cathedral, two round towers, and numerous churches. Continue to Dublin, where the remainder of the day will be free to enjoy this city once more until our farewell dinner at a local pub featuring traditional Irish music. **Overnight: Dublin (B, D)**

**Day 11: Dublin / USA:** Today our Irish Pilgrimage comes to an end. Following breakfast, transfer to Dublin Airport for our return flight to the United States.

### **Extension to Scotland**

**Day 11: Dublin / Glasgow:** Following breakfast, board the bus that will bring you to Dublin Airport for your flight to Glasgow, Scotland. **(B, D)**

**Day 12: Glasgow / Carfin Motherwell:** This morning after breakfast, depart for a visit to the historic small mining village of Carfin. At Carfin Motherwell, see a site built using the template of the Grotto at Massabielle; Our Lady of Lourdes. This site, built by unemployed miners of the village, has been used as a place of procession and prayer since the early part of the 20th century. Before returning to Glasgow for lunch, enjoy a visit to the community of Carfin; a town of significant importance in the life of Scottish Catholicism. Upon your return to Glasgow, you will have the opportunity to participate in a walking tour of the city before a delicious dinner. **Overnight: Glasgow (B, D)**

### **Edinburgh Castle**



**Day 13: Glasgow / Perth / St. Andrews / Edinburgh:** Following breakfast at the hotel, continue your journey with a visit to the town of Perth, including Scone Palace, one of the finest examples of Georgian Gothic architecture in the UK. We continue to explore the countryside on the way to the town of St. Andrews in Fife, named after the apostle Andrew; patron Saint of Scotland. As the remains of St. Andrew were commonly believed to be buried here. The shape in which St. Andrew was crucified, is a symbol present on the Scottish national flag to remind the country of his martyrdom. You will celebrate Mass at the Church of St. James, a small Roman Catholic parish situated on a cliff top which overlooks the North Sea. Proceed to Edinburgh for dinner. **Overnight: Edinburgh (B, D)**

**Day 14: Edinburgh:** You will start the day with breakfast. Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral of St Mary's, of the Archdiocese of St. Andrew's and Edinburgh. Our city tour will include the visit to Edinburgh Castle. This castle holds much historical significance as its purpose has transformed from a battle ground to a home, to an army headquarters, and finally a tourist attraction. See the numerous, fascinating sites of the castle such as, the Great Hall, David's Tower, the Scottish National War Museum, the Queen Anne Building, and many more. You will be able to view the oldest standing building in Edinburgh, St. Margaret's Chapel, which withstood numerous destruction attempts. This structure dates to the 12th century during the reign of King David I, who dedicated this Chapel to his mother, Saint Margaret of Scotland also known as, Queen Margaret. The Palace of Holyrood House is the Queens official residence in Scotland. **Overnight: Edinburgh (B, D)**

**Day 15: Depart to USA:** This morning we depart to Edinburgh airport for our flight to the USA.

## **Pilgrimage Details**

### **PRICE PER PERSON**

Double occupancy with base airfare	
Main Tour (11 Days)	\$4399.00*
Extended Tour (15 Days)	\$5149.00*

\*Discount cash/ check price

### **OPTIONS:**

- For a single room: add \$800 + \$250 (Scotland Extension)
- Travel Insurance: add \$313

<b>FIRST DEPOSIT</b>	\$500	DUE: NOW
<b>SECOND PAYMENT</b>	\$1249	DUE: FEB 21, 2022
<b>THIRD PAYMENT</b>	\$1000	DUE: APRIL 22, 2023
<b>FINAL PAYMENT</b>	REMAINING	DUE: JUNE 21, 2023

### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Roundtrip airfare from Minneapolis (MSP)
- Meals per itinerary
- All excursions
- 10/14 nights' accommodation
- Tour guide / Tour escort
- Gratuities: Bus Drivers, Guides and Hotel Staff
- Mass Daily

**Price does not include: lunch & drinks with meals**

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# **Terms & Conditions**

By making any payments (cash, credit card or otherwise) towards any tour constitutes your unconditional acceptance of all the terms and conditions stated in this brochure. Holy Land Travel Center shall be referred to as HLTC within this document.

**DOCUMENTS:** US citizens require a valid passport. Other nationalities please inquire with the appropriate embassies.

**REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT:** Deposit of \$500 per person is required upon registration along with a signed copy of the registration form on or before. Registrations are processed in the order received by HLTC. A second payment of \$1249 is required on or before 210 days prior to departure. A third payment of \$1000 is due 150 days prior to departure. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. Late payments are subject to \$50 late fee. HLTC reserves the right to cancel reservations whose payments are 30 days late and to apply applicable cancellation/penalties indicated below. No registrations can be made over the telephone.

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In addition to any cancellation fees specific to your tour, the following fees apply.

1. Minimum cancellation fee is \$350 from time of registration up to 120 days prior to the tour's departure date.
2. From 119 to 60 days prior to departure day, the cancellation fee is \$350 + 20% of total price.
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4. From 7 days prior to departure day onward, no refund is possible.

**TRAVEL PROTECTION:** Travel insurance is recommended to help protect you and your trip investment against the unexpected. For your convenience, we offer travel protection. If you do not wish to purchase now, the plan can be purchased any time before submitting your final payment. If you chose to purchase outside of the time sensitive period outlined in the plan, you will not be eligible for time sensitive benefits. All plan premiums are non-refundable. To view/download the plan, which provides the full coverage terms and details, including limitations and exclusion please visit our website: [www.holylandtc.com/travel-protection/](http://www.holylandtc.com/travel-protection/)

**MEDICAL CONDITION:** We endeavor to provide the highest level of service to all our passengers. Participants who require special assistance must be accompanied by a qualified helper who assumes total responsibility for the participants' well-being. This pilgrimage demands a lot of walking and can be strenuous. HLTC is not responsible for any medical conditions that occur prior to, during, or after the tour.

**LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSFERS:** By private deluxe motor coach.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** Tour prices are per person, based on two persons sharing double or twin-bedded rooms with private bathroom with tub or shower. In the event that one does not sign up with a roommate and is not able to be paired with another traveler, there will be a single supplement charge to the account. Single rooms subject to availability and an additional cost of \$1050.

**MEALS:** Meals in accordance with the itinerary. All beverages are extra.

**TIPPING:** Unless it is specified in the tour brochure, the price of the tour does not include tips and gratuities. Tipping is recommended to the tour guide and motor coach driver approximately \$6 and \$4 per person, respectively, per day to each: Hotel tips are approximately \$2 per day per person. Tips may be pre-collected before the pilgrimage for your convenience.

**AIRLINE TICKETS AND ITINERARY LENGTH:** Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class aboard carriers utilizing non-refundable, non-amenable tickets. Preliminary international flight schedules are available 60 days prior to departure and may change before they are finalized. Therefore, if you book

the domestic flight on your own, you will be responsible for changing your domestic flights and incurring any change fees that would be generated by this adjustment. We are not responsible for changes and delays in airline schedules and do not reimburse passengers for expenses resulting from such occurrences. Travelers making their own flight arrangements should not purchase non-refundable, non-changeable tickets. We cannot guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. If flight schedules change, we reserve the right to lengthen or shorten the itinerary accordingly, and if changes or flight schedules necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged at normal hotel rates. Land Only packages do not include airport-hotel transfers.

**SEAT ASSIGNMENT:** THERE IS NO ADVANCE SEAT SELECTION FOR TOUR DEPARTURES. HLTC cannot guarantee specific seats, which are at the discretion of the airline and are pending availability. When HLTC disperses travel packages, you will receive your record locator. You can use this locator to do online seating arrangements, if permitted by the airline.

**BAGGAGE:** Transatlantic and transpacific flights to and from the USA allow the passenger to bring one (1) checked bag, which may have a maximum weight of 50 lbs., and maximum combined dimensions of 62 inches. Also, one (1) "carry-on" with maximum dimensions of 22" x 14" x 9" is permitted. Luggage on domestic flights will cost extra. Luggage is the passenger's responsibility and that of the airlines. For lost luggage, the passenger is responsible for notifying the airline directly. Check with your carrier regarding carry-on luggage rules and regulations.

**PRICES:** All prices are based on exchange rates and fares applicable at time of quotation and based on minimum number of paying passengers stated in the brochure and are therefore subject to change if fares change (including fuel surcharges increase), if group does not reach minimum or if exchange rates fluctuate. Minimum number of paying passengers is 30.

**NOT INCLUDED:** Passport and Visas, meals not mentioned, beverages with meals, extra beyond standard menu, excess baggage, luggage on domestic flights, telephone calls, fuel surcharges increase.

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