

A JOURNEY THROUGH IRELAND



\$5,545 - per person price based on double occupancy

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Round-trip airfare from Boston or Chicago to Dublin
- 2 nights AC Hotel by Marriott or similar, Belfast with breakfast & dinner
- 2 nights in the Harvey's Point or similar, Donegal with breakfast and dinner
- 2 nights in the Park Hotel Kiltimagh or similar, Mayo with breakfast and dinner
- 1 night in Galmount Hotel or similar, Galway with breakfast and dinner
- 3 nights in Trinity City Hotel or similar, Dublin with breakfast & dinner
- Breakfast on day of arrival
- Luxury coaching throughout the itinerary
- The Titanic Experience in Belfast
- 17th-Century Walls Walking Tour in Derry
- Ballintubber Abbey
- Knock Shrine Tour
- Book of Kells, Trinity College Dublin
- Daily Mass and Spiritual program
- Admissions as per itinerary
- Services of Marian Pilgrimages Representative throughout
- Portage at all hotels
- All Tips & Gratuities

Price does not include:

- Single supplement: \$1,545 (limited availability)
- Lunches
- Travel Insurance, if required please request a brochure.

It is strongly suggested that all pilgrims be covered by Travel Insurance

Last day to register for above price is July 1, 2026

For additional information or to reserve your place please contact
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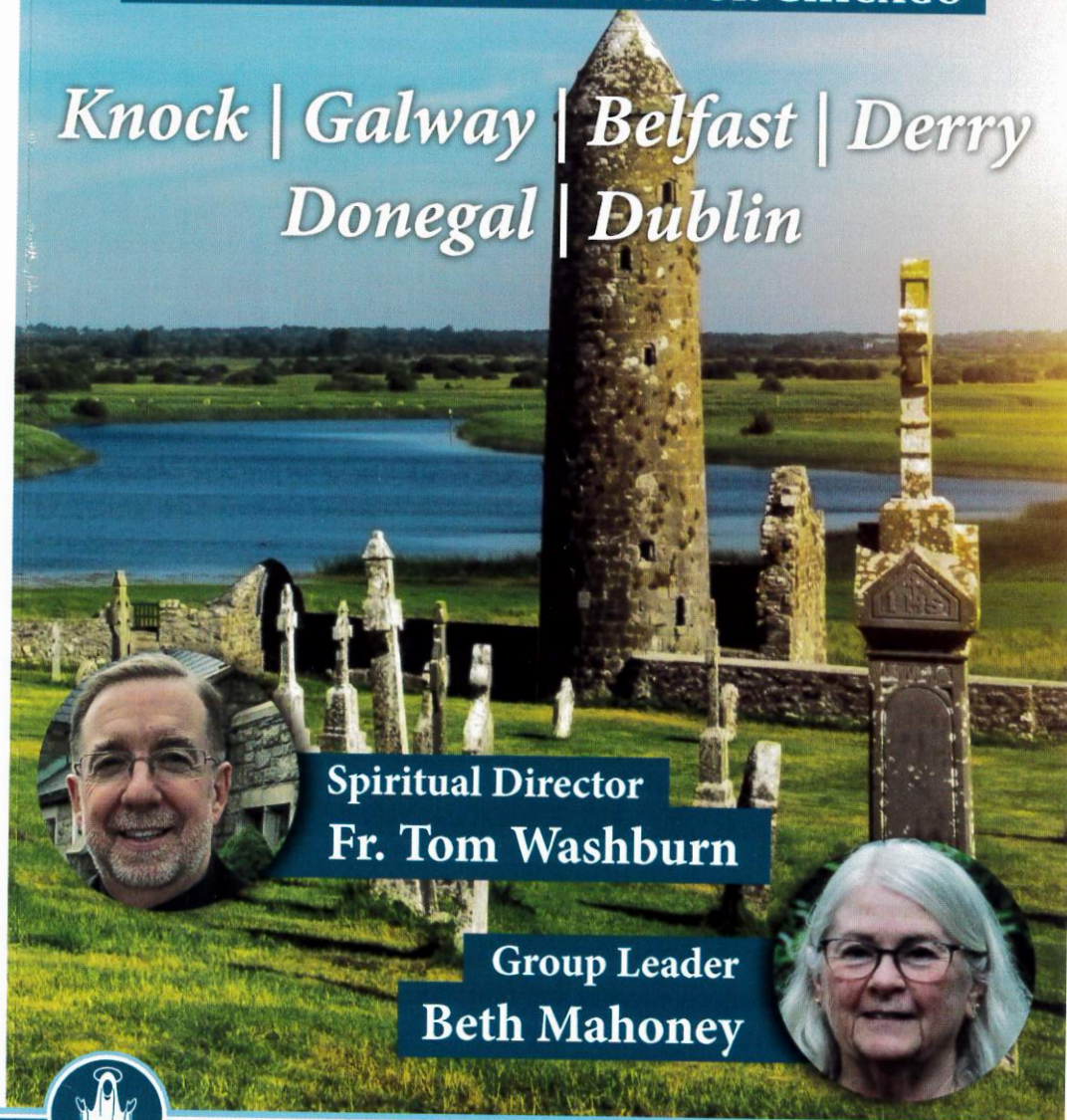
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OCTOBER 4th – 15th, 2026

DEPARTURE FROM BOSTON OR CHICAGO

Knock | Galway | Belfast | Derry
Donegal | Dublin



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Day 1 – Sunday - October 4th

Check in at Boston or Chicago airport for overnight flight to Dublin.

Day 2 – Monday - October 5th

After arriving at Dublin Airport, we are greeted by our friendly guide and driver. We enjoy a well-deserved full Irish breakfast to start the day. From here, we head north through the rolling countryside to Armagh, long known as the ecclesiastical capital of Ireland. We visit the stunning St. Patrick's Cathedral, a place steeped in centuries of Christian tradition. If possible, we celebrate our first Mass here. Continuing north, we arrive in Belfast, where we settle into our hotel for dinner and a good night's rest. *B,D*

Day 3 – Tuesday - October 6th

This morning we visit Downpatrick, one of Ireland's most sacred towns and a place closely linked to St. Patrick. Here, we explore the St. Patrick Centre and Down Cathedral, where the saint is believed to be buried. We celebrate Mass in a local parish, joining our prayers with the faithful who have worshiped here for generations. In the afternoon, we return to Belfast and dive into its maritime history with a visit to the Titanic Belfast Museum, an extraordinary, interactive experience telling the story of the world's most famous ship. Dinner and overnight in Belfast. *B,D*

Day 4 – Wednesday - October 7th

Today is one of breathtaking views and remarkable stories. We travel along the Antrim Coast to walk the dramatic Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge, suspended high above the sea. We continue to the Giant's Causeway, marveling at the natural basalt columns and the legends that surround them. Our journey takes us next to Derry, where we walk the 17th century city walls and reflect on Ireland's complex past. We end the day in Donegal, where we celebrate Mass at the beautiful St. Eunan's Cathedral in Letterkenny before dining and resting in Donegal Town. *B,D*

Day 5 – Thursday - October 8th

We begin with a visit to Glenveagh National Park, where the peaceful castle and gardens offer a chance to experience Ireland's serene natural beauty. If weather permits, we enjoy a boat cruise at the towering Slieve League Cliffs, among the highest sea cliffs in Europe. Later, we visit a traditional woolen mill—either Studio Donegal or Triona Woollen Mills—and learn about the ancient craft of Irish weaving. Mass this evening is in the picturesque town of Killybegs at St. Mary of the Visitation Church. Dinner and overnight in Donegal. *B,D*

Day 6 – Friday - October 9th

After breakfast, we enjoy a brief stop in Bundoran, known for its scenic coastal views. We then travel to Drumcliffe, where we pay our respects at the grave of W.B. Yeats, resting under the shadow of Ben Bulbin. Our destination this afternoon is Knock, one of the most important Marian shrines in the world. We join in prayer and celebrate Mass at this sacred place. Dinner and overnight in the nearby town of Kiltimagh. *B,D*

Day 7 – Saturday - October 10th

We begin with a return visit to Knock for further reflection and prayer, taking time to explore the basilica and grounds. In the afternoon, we travel to Ballintubber Abbey, a site of uninterrupted worship since the 13th century. We take in the quiet strength of this holy place and attend Mass in a setting that truly connects us to the faith of generations past. The evening is free for relaxation or quiet personal time. *B,D*

Day 8 – Sunday - October 11th

This morning, we visit Westport, a town known for its charm and vibrancy. We continue through the rugged beauty of Connemara to the striking Kylemore Abbey, nestled beside a lake and surrounded by forested hills. We explore the peaceful grounds and its Victorian walled garden before returning to Galway. Here, we celebrate Mass at the city's cathedral and enjoy dinner together. Overnight in Galway. *B,D*

Day 9 – Monday - October 12th

After breakfast, we begin our journey eastward towards Dublin. Along the way, we stop at Clonmacnoise, an ancient monastic settlement founded by St. Ciarán in the 6th century. Surrounded by the peaceful banks of the River Shannon, we walk among weathered stone crosses and historic ruins. If weather allows, we pause at a nearby Mass Rock, and celebrate Mass, where persecuted Catholics once secretly worshiped. We then continue to Dublin, where we visit Trinity College to view the illuminated manuscript of the Book of Kells. Dinner and overnight in the capital. *B,D*

Day 10 – Tuesday - October 13th

Our day begins with Mass at Immaculate Conception Church (Church of Adam and Eve). We then explore Ireland's rich history of emigration at the EPIC Irish Emigration Museum. In the afternoon, we visit the Jameson Distillery for a guided tour and optional tasting. The rest of the day is free to explore Dublin at your own pace. Dinner and overnight in the city. *B,D*

Day 11 – Wednesday - October 14th

We travel to Glendalough, one of Ireland's most beloved monastic sites, founded by St. Kevin in the 6th century. We celebrate Mass at the tranquil God's Cottage and take time to walk the peaceful trails among ancient ruins and lakes. Returning to Dublin, we enjoy some free time on Grafton Street for shopping or a coffee in one of its historic cafés. In the evening, we come together for a farewell dinner and traditional Irish show at The Merry Ploughboy—an evening of music, storytelling, and laughter. Overnight in Dublin. *B,D*

Day 12 – Thursday - October 15th

This morning we transfer to Dublin Airport for our return flight home.

Please note this itinerary is subject to change and should not be considered a contract of events or places to be supplied or visited. Although we make every effort to follow the itinerary as advertised, many factors may make it necessary to alter it as set out above.

