



TEKTON MINISTRIES
Encounter Christ on a Catholic Pilgrimage



PILGRIMAGE TO
IRELAND

July 6th - 16th, 2019
with Nun & Nunner

PILGRIMAGE ITINERARY

● Day 1 – July 6: Depart USA

Our pilgrimage begins today as we lift off for Ireland.

● Day 2 – July 7: Arrive Dublin

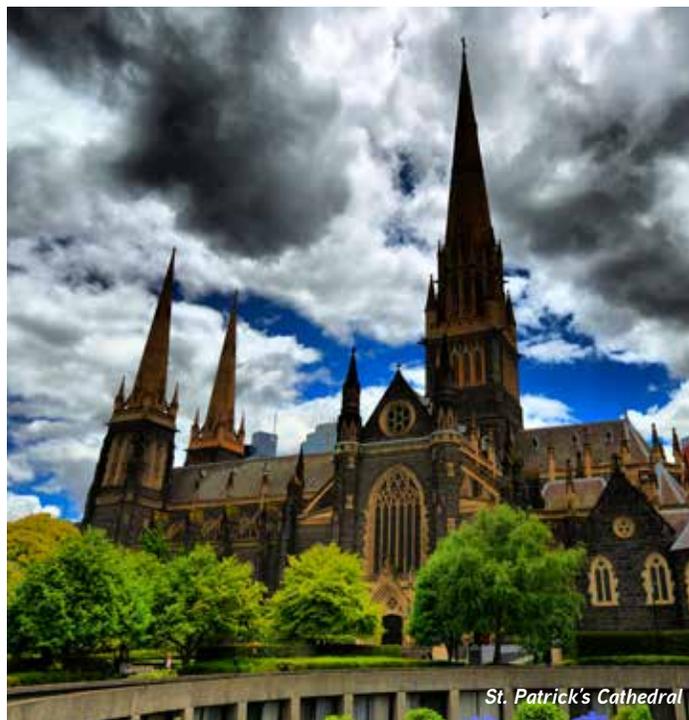
Upon arrival in Dublin we will be met by our local Irish guide. Dublin is the vibrant capital of Ireland, with a romantic aura of Old World Europe. Take a full day city tour of Dublin including visits to Trinity College to see the famous Book of Kells, St. Patrick's Cathedral, St. Mary's Pro Cathedral, Our Lady of Lourdes Church where we will see the Shrine of Matt Talbot, the Carmelite Church on Whitefriar Street where we will see the Shrine of St. Valentine, and the Old Town. Overnight in Dublin.

● Day 3 – July 8: Dublin

Following breakfast, drive north to see the Celtic crosses in the historic ruins of Monasterboice and then continue on to the Hill of Slane where St. Patrick is said to have lit an Easter fire as a challenge to the pagan High King of Tara. 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. This evening enjoy a dinner at a local pub. Overnight in Dublin.

● Day 4 – July 9: Dublin / Waterford

Depart Dublin for Glendalough. Tucked away in the Wicklow Mountains, Glendalough was established by St. Kevin in the 6th century. This most romantic of monastic sites was one of Ireland's greatest pilgrimage centers up to the middle of the 19th century. Continue to the village of Avoca to visit the Avoca



Handweavers Outlet which is the oldest surviving working mill in Ireland. Then drive on to Wexford to visit the Irish National Heritage Park which provides a good introduction to the country's ancient history. Continue to Waterford for overnight.

● Day 5 – July 10: Waterford / Cork

Depart Waterford and drive a short distance to Blarney where we will visit Blarney Castle, which dates back to 1446 and served as McCarthy's stronghold. We will climb onto the Battlements to reach the Blarney Stone, said to impart the gift of eloquence to all that kiss it. After some shopping time in the Blarney Woollen Mills depart for Cork.

● Day 6 – July 11: Cork / Kinsale / Cork

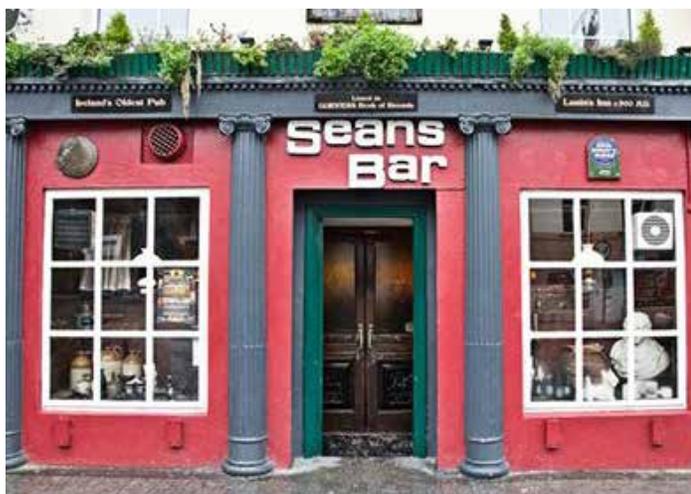
Today we drive a short distance to visit Kinsale, one of Ireland's hidden gems. We will explore this town, famous for its stories, food and beautiful scenery. Walk through the old town where the defeat of the Irish in the Battle of Kinsale in 1601 changed the course of Irish history forever. Visit Charles Fort, one of Europe's best-preserved artillery forts dating to the 17th century. In the afternoon, visit St. Multose Church and Black's Brewery where we will have a guided tour and sample the award winning Kinsale Pale Ale. Return to Cork for overnight.

● Day 7 – July 12: Cork / Galway

Depart Cork and drive to the charming village of Adare for a brief visit before taking a ferry across the River Shannon from Tarbert to Killimer. We will then travel via the lunar landscape of the Burren 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 check into our hotel.

● Day 8 – July 13: Galway / Knock

Today we will 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. We will make a stop at Ballintubber Abbey, an important sacred Irish historical site



which celebrated its 800-year anniversary in 2016. Continue to Knock, where 14 people saw a vision of Our Lady with St. Joseph and St. John the Evangelist in 1879.

● **Day 9 – July 14: Knock/Athlone**

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. In the afternoon we will drive to Athlone and visit the Beardmore's family farm, ancestral farm of Sr. Mary Rose. Tonight, we will go to Sean's Pub - the oldest pub in all of Europe – with over a 1000-year-old history!

● **Day 10 – July 15: Athlone/ Dublin**

This morning we depart for Clonmacnoise, an ancient monastic site, founded St. Ciaran in 544. Visit the monastery and the many churches, conjuring up images of the saints and scholars of Ireland's renowned Golden Age of learning. Later, drive to Dublin. This evening enjoy a farewell dinner at a local pub.

● **Day 11 – July 16: Dublin / U.S.A.**

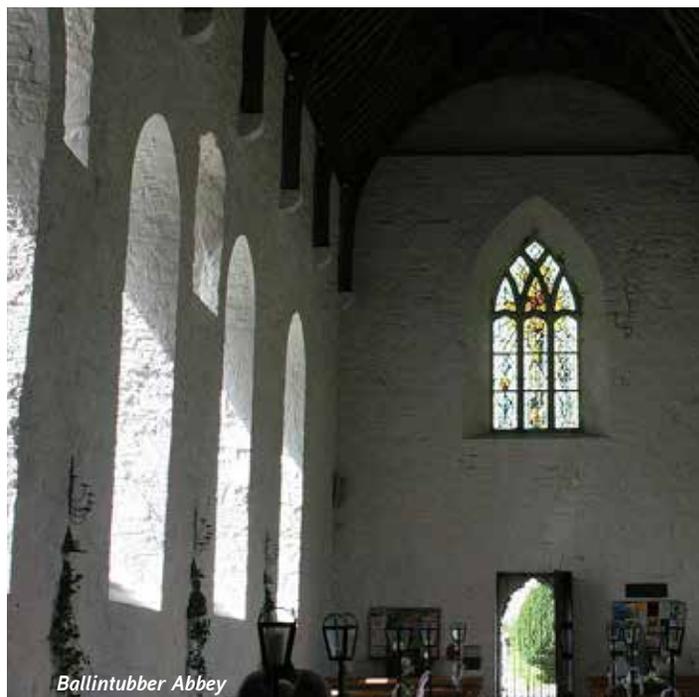
Following breakfast transfer to the airport for our return flight home.



Clonmacnoise



Knock Shrine



Ballintubber Abbey

PILGRIMAGE PRICE: \$3,545.00

per person/double occupancy

For a single occupancy please add \$863.00

For land only, please subtract: \$616.00

These rates include:

- Arrangements for daily Mass
- Roundtrip economy class airfare from Chicago O'Hare on United Airlines
- 9 nights accommodation
- All hotel taxes and service charges
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Farewell dinner at a local pub in Dublin
- Professional local guide
- All entrance fees as per itinerary
- Land transportation by deluxe motor coach
- Arrival and departure transfers
- Porterage of one piece of luggage at hotels
- Whisper headsets

These rates do not include:

- Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently \$486.83 per person, but subject to change until the time of ticketing)*
- Gratuities to guide, driver, and hotel staff*
- Lunches, drinks with meals, extras at hotels and any expenses of a personal nature

**added to your final invoice*

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Reservations and Payment: Tekton Ministries requires a deposit of \$300.00 per person at the time of booking. This deposit forms a part of your final payment which is due 75 days prior to departure. Reservations made within 74 days of departure must be accompanied by payment in full. Payments made by credit card will incur a convenience fee. Any reservations received within 45 days of departure will incur a late booking fee of \$100.00 per person. This pilgrimage is based upon a minimum of 33 total pilgrims. Surcharges may be assessed for a smaller group size.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be in writing. The following per person cancellation charges will apply in addition to any airline penalties and charges incurred by our suppliers: If canceled 91 days or more prior to departure, a \$75.00 administrative fee will be charged. If canceled 90 - 31 days prior to departure, \$175.00 will be charged. If canceled 30 - 15 days prior to departure, \$450.00 will be charged. If canceled 14 - 7 days prior to departure \$700.00 will be charged. No refunds will be made within 6 days of departure. In addition, once the airline tickets have been issued, 100% of the airfare is non-refundable unless you have been advised otherwise at the time of your booking.

Travel Documents: A passport which is valid for 6 months past the date of your return flight home is required of all U. S. citizens. However, U.S. citizens do not require visas for Ireland. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please call to find out if you need a visa. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for individual visas or passports.

Hotels: Accommodations are based on double occupancy rooms with private facilities. A limited number of single rooms are available at the supplement quoted and should be requested at the time of booking.

Air Transportation: Air travel is in economy class on United Airlines. Fares are based upon levels in effect at the time of printing and fares and flight schedules are subject to change without notice. Note that any ticketing changes made within 90 days of your departure date will incur airline penalties.

Baggage: Each passenger is allowed one checked bag and one carry-on. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen baggage.

Travel Insurance: We strongly recommend that you purchase comprehensive travel insurance for your trip. Registration information will be provided upon receipt of your deposit.

Not Included: Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently \$486.83 per person, but subject to change until the time of ticketing), gratuities to guide, driver, and hotel staff, passport/visa fees, personal travel insurance, laundry, beverages and items not on the regular menu of included meals, excess baggage charges, optional sightseeing and expenses of a personal nature.

Refunds: Subject to the foregoing Cancellation Terms, upon cancellation of travel related services, all sums paid to Tekton Ministries/George's International Tours for such services will be promptly returned to the passenger, provided the passenger has not caused such cancellation and is not in violation of any of the terms and conditions previously, clearly and conspicuously disclosed and agreed to by the passenger. This refund provision does not apply where Tekton Ministries/George's International Tours has remitted the payment to another registered seller of travel or a carrier and they default

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