

LOURDES ANNUAL CLONFERT DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE 2024

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07 - 12 AUGUST 2024 | **FROM SHANNON AIRPORT**
HOTEL MEDITERRANEE | **FULL BOARD**

FROM
€909

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Return flights Shannon/Lourdes
- Transfer and assistance between Lourdes airport and your hotel on arrival and departure
- Full board accommodation in Lourdes
- Airport taxes and charges
- Pilgrimage Badge
- Representatives of Joe Walsh Tours will ensure all pilgrims receive a very high standard of service throughout the pilgrimage

BOOKING PROCEDURE

ALL PILGRIM BOOKINGS SHOULD BE SENT DIRECTLY TO:

Society Travel
Society Street, Ballinasloe, Co Galway
Tel: 090 96 45350
Mobile: 087 9479141
T.A. 0496

INSURANCE COMPULSORY: You must have your own travel insurance policy or take the Joe Walsh Tours Insurance Policy. It is also recommended you have a European Health Card.

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Limited places available. We recommend you book immediately. Deposit €250

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INSURANCE:

It is a condition of our acceptance of your booking that you must have appropriate travel insurance. You may contract your own travel insurance privately or purchase travel insurance through Joe Walsh Tours. This is charged at €39 per person up to 79 years; €59 per person 80 to 94 years; persons 95 years and over must secure private cover.

A copy of the travel insurance policy is available online at joewalshshtours.ie. It is your sole responsibility to ensure compliance with the terms of your travel insurance and to ensure it is suitable to your needs, particularly in respect of pre-existing medical conditions. Should you wish to contract our travel insurance, please pay the insurance premium with your deposit, or please give details of your own travel insurance policy on the booking form. We reserve the right to cancel your booking if travel insurance details are not provided.

MEDICAL DECLARATION FORM:

If you purchase travel insurance through Joe Walsh Tours, it is a requirement of the Blue Insurance Pilgrimage Policy to complete a Medical Declaration Form if you have a pre-existing medical condition of any kind or you are taking prescribed medication. The Medical Declaration Form must be completed and signed by your GP in advance of travel. You need to keep the completed form until you return from Lourdes as it may be requested by the insurer in the instance you have to make a claim.

EUROPEAN HEALTH INSURANCE CARD:

All travellers must have the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). This card can be applied for or renewed online at <https://www2.hse.ie/services/ehic/ehic.html>.

CANCELLATIONS:

All cancellations are subject to charges, the minimum being loss of the applicable deposit. For full details on cancellation charges, please visit www.joewalshshtours.ie

HOTELS:

We have reserved the Hotel Mediterranee, well known for their kind attention and good service, and, indeed, well known to Irish Pilgrims. Please note the cost is based on sharing a twin or treble room with private facilities. We will make every effort to provide the hotel requested - however all hotels are subject to availability at time of booking. Meals served on day of arrival & departure at scheduled meal times only.

SINGLE ROOMS:

These are very limited, single supplement of €195 applies to the Hotel Mediterranee. Your kind co-operation in agreeing to share a twin or treble room, if at all possible, will be much appreciated.

SPECIAL REQUESTS:

It must be clearly understood that bookings are accepted on the basis of pilgrims accepting the flight and hotel allocated to them. Bookings are not transferable from one person to another except with the approval of our office and the Pilgrimage Committee.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

WCHS/WCHC assistance to embark/disembark the aircraft are subject to confirmation by airlines. WCHS (passenger cannot use stairs) and WCHC (passenger cannot walk any distance, board or disembark unassisted).

LOURDES CITY TAX:

Applies to all pilgrims over 18 years staying in hotels. This tax will be collected by your hotel at check-in.

FLIGHTS:

We cannot accept special requests for specific flights. It must be clearly understood that bookings are taken on the basis of pilgrims accepting the flight allocated to them. Amendment charge to any bookings €30 per person.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS:

A limited snack service will be available payable on board the aircraft. If you do not wish to purchase a snack on board the aircraft perhaps you could consider bringing your own snack with you for convenience. Flying time to Lourdes is approximately 2 hrs 10 minutes.

DELAYED OR CANCELLED FLIGHTS:

Joe Walsh Tours and the Pilgrimage Committee cannot accept any responsibility for cost incurred by pilgrims for meals, transfers, overnight accommodation or any other costs resulting from delayed, cancelled or diverted flights.

PASSPORT:

EVERY PERSON TRAVELLING TO FRANCE MUST HAVE A VALID UP-TO-DATE PASSPORT. If you already have a passport, please check now that it will be valid for travel.

BALANCE OF FARE:

This is due TWELVE WEEKS before departure date, Joe Walsh Tours and the Pilgrimage Committee shall be entitled at their discretion to treat as cancelled any booking in respect of which the balance of fare shall not have been remitted twelve weeks before the date of departure.

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Full information, air tickets and luggage labels will be sent to you within 10 days prior to the departure date of the Pilgrimage.

SPENDING MONEY:

The Euro is the official currency of all EU member countries.

WHEELCHAIRS:

Wheelchairs are not included in your travel insurance cover. We recommend separate insurance cover.

MOTORISED WHEELCHAIRS / SCOOTERS:

Society Travel must be advised at time of booking if you intend taking a motorised wheelchair/scooter to Lourdes. Acceptance will be subject to any weight or dimension restrictions imposed by the Airline. Wheelchairs are not covered by the standard travel insurance. We recommend separate cover. Carriage of all wheelchairs is strictly at owner's risk.

USE OF YOUR INFORMATION:

Information provided on this form will be held and exchanged between Joe Walsh Tours, The Clonfert Pilgrimage to Lourdes and its associated organisations. It may be shared with third parties associated with Lourdes. Information provided may also be used to contact you, for example by email, text or phone call to update you with details concerning the pilgrimage.

GDPR:

As per European GDPR regulation, by signing this form you are providing Joe Walsh Tours consent to process your personal information. A full copy of our Privacy Policy is available on request.

REGULATION (EC) 261/2004:

At the time of going to print, the following EU legislation applies in relation to EC261. Regulation (EC) 261/2004 of The European Parliament and of the European Council establishes common rules on compensation and assistance to passengers in the event of denied boarding, cancellation or long delay of flights. The obligations that the regulation creates rests with the operating carrier who performs or intends to perform a flight. Any compensation that may be due to passengers in case of a delay must be claimed exclusively by the passenger and directly to the airline and not Joe Walsh Tours or the Diocese of Clonfert.

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Ref

Office Use Only

FIRST NAME AND SURNAME AS IT APPEARS ON PASSPORT

Surname (BLOCK CAPITALS)	Christian Name (IN FULL)	Title	Address of first named person only (BLOCK CAPITALS)	Insurance	Date of Birth
				Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
				Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
				Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

Contact Telephone Number:

Email: Parish:

Person to contact in case of Emergency (name): Contact Number:

ACCOMMODATION

4* Hotel Mediterranee: Please indicate your room of your choice. Rooms are subject to availability at time of booking

Single Room (€195 single supplement applies)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Twin Room	<input type="checkbox"/>	Treble Room (3 single beds)	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Willing to share (ie. share with another person) ☐ Name (if known)

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Hotels: Request wheelchair accessible room? Yes ☐

Any special dietary requirements: Yes ☐ No ☐ Name(s):

Coeliac ☐ Diabetic ☐ Vegetarian ☐ Other (please specify):

Do any of the above named intend to take a **wheelchair** to Lourdes? Yes ☐ No ☐ Name(s):

Are any of the above named confined to a wheelchair: Yes ☐ No ☐ Name(s):

Please indicate if you are travelling with an assisted pilgrim staying at hotel Yes ☐ No ☐

Name of Assisted Sick Pilgrim you are travelling with :

PLEASE NOTE: We cannot accept special requests for specific flights, it must be clearly understood that bookings are taken on the basis of pilgrims accepting the flight allocated to them. This booking form should not be used by those who wish to travel on the official section for the sick staying at the hospital in Lourdes. **An amendment fee of €30 per person** will be apply to any changes made to this booking.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE & WHEELCHAIRS (Airports, airplanes and coaches)

If you or anyone within your party is confined to a wheelchair, intends taking a wheelchair on flights or requires assistance through airports, up and down steps, or a full lift on/off the airplane or coach, please indicate below. WCHS/WCHC assistance to embark and disembark the aircraft is subject to confirmation by airlines.

ASSISTANCE TO & FROM BOARDING GATE ONLY Passenger can board unaided WCHR <input type="checkbox"/>	ASSISTANCE UP & DOWN STEPS Subject to confirmation Passenger cannot use stairs WCHS <input type="checkbox"/>	FULL ASSISTANCE BOARDING Subject to confirmation Passenger cannot walk any distance WCHC <input type="checkbox"/>
REQUIRE AIRPORT WHEELCHAIR TO & FROM BOARDING GATE ONLY <input type="checkbox"/>	BRINGING OWN MANUAL FOLDABLE WHEELCHAIR (WCMP) <input type="checkbox"/>	BRINGING OWN MOTORISED WHEELCHAIR/SCOOTER (WCBD) Subject to confirmation <input type="checkbox"/>

Name of passengers requiring assistance

Please contact the office for other special assistance (ie visual or hearing impairment, breathing and respiratory equipment, etc)

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- Optional extra available at €39 per person up to 79 years; €59 per person 80-94 years. Includes cover for pre-existing medical conditions (see note below regarding Medical Declaration Form) and medical expenses relating to Covid-19. The insurance premium must be paid at the time of booking in addition to the applicable deposit. A copy of the travel insurance policy is available to view online at www.joewalshshtours.ie. All claims will incur an excess charge of €250 per person. All travellers must have the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). This card can be applied for or renewed online at www2.hse.ie/services/ehic/ehic.
- Joe Walsh Tours must be advised at the time of booking if you intend taking a motorised wheelchair/scooter to Lourdes. Acceptance will be subject to any weight or dimension restrictions imposed by the airline. Manual/motorised wheelchairs are NOT covered by the Joe Walsh Tours travel insurance, we recommend separate cover. Carriage of all wheelchairs is strictly at owner's risk.
- All passengers with a pre-existing medical condition of any kind should fill out a Medical Declaration Form and get it signed by their GP in advance of travel to ensure cover under the Pilgrimage Insurance. The form should be kept by the passenger during the trip and only be produced in the event of a claim.

TRAVEL INSURANCE DETAILS (IF NOT PURCHASED THROUGH JWT)

Name:	Insurer:
Policy No:	Emergency Tel:

PAYMENT DETAILS

Is this your first pilgrimage with the Dioceses of Clonfert Pilgrimage to Lourdes?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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PAYMENT DEPOSIT:

I enclose €250 (plus insurance premium if applicable) booking deposit for (insert number) person(s).

PLEASE NOTE: The required minimum deposit of €250 per person is NON-REFUNDABLE on cancellation of booking.

INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THIS FORM WILL BE HELD AND EXCHANGED BETWEEN JOE WALSH TOURS, THE CLONFERT PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES AND ITS ASSOCIATED ORGANISATIONS, AND MAY BE SHARED WITH THIRD PARTIES ASSOCIATED WITH LOURDES. INFORMATION PROVIDED MAY ALSO BE USED TO CONTACT YOU, E.G. , BY TEXT / EMAIL, DETAILS / UPDATES CONCERNING THE PILGRIMAGE.

I accept the booking conditions of Joe Walsh Tours which can be found at <https://joewalshshtours.ie>

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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