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# ITALY

Our pilgrimages to ITALY bring you on a spiritual journey to the country of saints to admire its rich religious traditions, unique heritage and stunning cities. We will travel to some of the most important religious shrines and sacred sites across this beautiful country, cradle of Catholic faith. Here are some of our upcoming pilgrimages to Italy:

# PILGRIMAGE TO ROME & ASSISI | HOLY YEAR 2025

30 MARCH 2025 | 6 nights | From Dublin | €1449pps | Spiritual Director Fr Michael Toomey, celebrant of the RTÉ Monday morning mass 23 MAY 2025 | 5 nights | From Dublin | €1395pps

27 JUNE 2025 | ARCHDIOCESE OF TUAM | 6 nights | From Dublin | €1295pps

# PILGRIMAGE TO ROME, ASSISI & SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO

5 MAY 2025 | 7 nights | From Dublin | €1595pps

# PILGRIMAGE TO ROME | HOLY YEAR 2025

15 & 19 MAY 2025 | 4 nights | From Dublin | €1275pp

#### PILGRIMAGE TO SAN GIOVANNI AND ALBA ADRIATICA

27 MAY 2025 | 7 nights | From Dublin | €1375pps

#### AGUSTINIAN PILGRIMAGE TO SAN GIOVANNI AND CASCIA

6 JUNE 2025 | 7 nights | From Dublin | €1349pp

# SHRINES OF ITALY | PADUA, ASSISI, SAN GIOVANNI AND BENEVENTO

8 SEPTEMBER 2025 | 9 nights | From Dublin | €1695pps

In addition to our scheduled departures throughout the year, we also work closely with Dioceses, parishes and private groups to design the perfect pilgrimage tour for your group.

MORE DATES & BOOK ONLINE joewalshtours.ie



**2025** is a **Holy Year in Rome** and the Vatican and at Joe Walsh Tours we are organising a number pilgrimage groups, helping pilgrims celebrate the Rome Jubilee Year, which carries the inspiring motto 'PILGRIMS OF HOPE'.

The Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica is opened by Pope Francis at the beginning of the Jubilee Year, on 24th December, marking the beginning of the Holy Year and it remains open for the duration of the Jubilee. This rite has been taking place for many centuries.

Pilgrims during Rome Jubilee Year 2025 will obtain a plenary indulgence and will be able to enter Saint Peter's Basilica by the Holy Door, experiencing a meaningful pilgrimage to Rome at a very special time. A number of Jubilee celebrations and cultural events place in the Vatican and across Rome throughout the Jubilee year.

If you are a group leader looking to organise a pilgrimage to Italy to celebrate the Rome Jubilee Year 2025, talk to our travel team. You can book your place on our upcoming Pilgrimages to Italy online or contact our expert travel team to register.

We recommend signing up to our newsletter to be informed about new pilgrimages as soon as they are announced.

CONTACT OUR TEAM info@joewalshtours.ie | 01 241 0800

# **LOURDES**

Surrounded by beautiful landscapes at the foothills of the Pyrenees, the French town of LOURDES welcomes thousands of pilgrims from all over the world. With over five million people going on pilgrimage to Lourdes each year, it is the most visited pilgrimage site in the Christian world.

Our team is here to support you and your group every step of this special journey. Our pilgrimage tours are coordinated by our experienced team of representatives in Lourdes, led by experts Fionnuala Brua and Caroline Trainor. Our Lourdes pilgrimages include a detailed religious programme led by a Spiritual Director and accommodation in some of the best hotels in Lourdes, adapted to host people with reduced mobility in comfort.

#### **DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGES 2025**

Ardagh and Clonmacnois

Armagh - 5 May 2025

Cashel and Emly - 13 June 2025

Clonfert

Clovne - 30 May 2025

Cork & Ross - 19 September 2025

Derry - 4 July 2025

Down & Connor - 10 July 2025

Dublin - 4 September 2025

Dromore

Elphin - 29 August 2025

Galway - 24 June 2025

Killala & Achonry - 22 August 2025

Killaloe - 25 June 2025

Limerick - 18 & 19 June 2025

Meath - 9 September 2025

Ossory - 19 May 2025

Raphoe - 19 May 2025

Tuam - 29 August 2025

Waterford & Lismore - 4 June 2025

#### SPECIAL GROUPS

Oblates of Mary - 14 September 2025 Carmelites - 24 September 2025 Lourdes Kindness Pilgrimage Irish Defence Forces - 14 & 15 May 2025 Order of Malta - 30 April 2025 Faith & Light

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED



- Return flights to Lourdes
- 20kg checked in luggage
- Airport transfers
- Full religious programme
- Assistance from our Lourdes team
- Hotels close to the Sanctuary
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner each day
- Guided tour of the Grotto Domain, visiting Grotto, Baths & Basilicas
- Day trips available to book with local team

# **LOURDES SERIES**

#### FROM DUBLIN

7 & 9 FEBRUARY | FEAST OF OUR LADY 3 nights from €729 & 5 nights from €845

19 APRIL - 3nts - From €729

22 APRIL - 4nts - From €1049

26 APRIL - 3nts - From €679

29 APRIL - 6,13,20 May - 4nts - From €739

9 JUNE - 4 nights

1 JULY - 6 nights

22 JULY & 19 AUGUST - 4 nights

24 & 29 SEPTEMBER - 5 nights

FROM BELFAST

9 JULY - 7 nights

FROM CORK

30 JULY - 6 nights

14 & 24 SEPTEMBER - 5 nights



# **FÁTIMA**



Pilgrimage to FATIMA, 'city of peace', has its origins in 1917 when the Virgin Mary appeared to three shepherd children: Lúcia dos Santos and her cousins, Jacinta and Francisco Marto. The Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary was built in 1928 to commemorate these extraordinary events. Pilgrims to Fatima generally also visit the Chapel of Apparitions, the Basilica of the Holy Trinity, built in 2007; and the childhood homes of the three children in the nearby villages Aljustrel and Valinhos.

Our pilgrimages tours to Fatima include a detailed religious programme and coordinated by our experienced team of representatives in Fatima led by Elsa Silva and Carina Vieira. You can also combine a visit to Fatima with a few days relaxing on the LISBON COAST.

# FATIMA FROM DUBLIN

10 MARCH - 5 nights - From €799

3 APRIL - 6 nights - From €849

9 MAY | FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA - 7 nights - From €899

27 MAY - 7 nights - From €1045

29 MAY - 7 nights - From €899

31 JULY - 7 nights - From €899

7 & 28 AUGUTS - 7 nights - From €899

4, 11 & 18 SEPTEMBER - 7 nights - From €899

9 OCTOBER | MIRACLE OF THE SUN - From €899

# FATIMA FROM BELFAST

28 MAY - 7 nights - From £849 30 JULY - 7 nights - £885

# FÁTIMA & LISBON COAST

5 & 26 JUNE, 28 AUGUST, 4 SEPTEMBER, 2 OCTOBER 4 nights in Fatima & 3 nights in Estoril or Cascais From Dublin | From €1049

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# **MEDJUGORJE**

At Joe Walsh Tours, we have a programme of pilgrimage tours to MEDJUGORJE with regular departures from Spring to Autumn. While on pilgrimage, you will be looked after by our highly qualified and experienced team of representatives providing local support and making sure that everything runs smoothly from start to finish. Our pilgrimages include a detailed religious programme coordinated by our dedicated and experienced team in Bosnia and Herzegovina, led by Philip Ryan, an expert on the sanctuary and the region.

You can also combine your pilgrimage to Medjugorje with a few days relaxing and sightseeing in spectacular Dubrovnik and Croatia's stunning Dalmatian Coast. In addition to scheduled departures we also work with private groups.

# EASTER IN MEDJUGORJE

15 April 2025 | 7 nights | From Dublin | €899pps

#### YOUTH WEEK

2 August 2025 | 7 nights | From Dublin & Cork | €749pps

### MEDJUGORJE FROM DUBLIN

March to November | 4 nights from €699 | 7 nights from €799

# MEDJUGORJE FROM CORK

May to September | 7 nights | From €899pps

### MEDJUGORJE FROM BELFAST

5 September 2025 | 7 nights | From £849

# WHAT'S INCLUDED



- » Return flights to Croatia from Dublin. Cork and Belfast departures available on selected dates
- » 20kg checked in luggage
- » Full spiritual programme
- » Asistance of Joe Walsh Tours resident team led by Philip Ryan
- » Guesthouses close to Saint James's Church
- » Breakfast and dinner each day in Medjugorie



# CAMINO DE SANTIAGO



The Camino de Santiago pilgrimage is a very special experience. At Joe Walsh Tours and JWT Travel we have a selection of Camino guided tours for pilgrims looking to walk these ancient spiritual trails.

Our Camino guided tours are ideal for pilgrims and walkers looking for a group to be part of and share this very special journey with.

# CAMINO FRANCES LAST 100KM

16 May, 29 August & 17 October 2025 | 7 nights | From Dublin | €1095pps

# **COASTAL CAMINO PORTUGUES LAST 100KM**

6 June & 19 September 2025 | 7 nights | From Dublin | €1175pps

# **CAMINO COACH & WALKING TOUR**

2025 Dates to be confirmed | Bilbao to Santiago | 7 nights | From Dublin

# **CAMINO PORTUGUES COACH & WALKING TOUR**

2025 Dates to be confirmed | Lisbon to Santiago | 7 nights | From Dublin

If you are a group leader looking to organise a Camino or Santiago de Compostela tour, please get in touch with our team. Register to our newsletter to receive updates on more 2025 Camino tours by email.

# SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA CHOIR TOUR | FOR GROUPS

3 nights | Tailor-made group tour | Flights from selected airporrt | From €739pps

Tailor-made choir tours include performances as well as interesting guided visits and sightseeing.



# SHRINES OF EUROPE, FRANCE & MORE



Join us on our Shrines Pilgrimages, visiting the most holy sites and historic places of devotion across Europe:

# SHRINES OF FRANCE

Paray-le-Monial, Nevers, Tours, Lisieux and Paris - 21 May - 7 nights - From €1339 Paray-le-Monial, Nevers, Tours, Lisieux and Paris - 3 June - 7 nights - From €1295 Lourdes, Rocamadour, Nevers, Paris and Lisieux - 29 September - 7 nights - From €1245

#### SHRINES OF EUROPE

Lourdes, Loyola, Burgos, Avila and Fatima | 29 September 9 nights - From Dublin - From €1375pps

# MALTA AND POLAND

2025 DATES coming soon

# CHOIR TOURS AND GROUPS

If you are a choir or group leader looking to organise a trip, get in touch. Krakow, Malta, Santiago, Vienna and Barcelona are some of our top destinations for tailor-made group and choir tours; in addition to traditional pilgrimage destinations.

Register to our newsletter to receive tour updates and pilgrimage news by email.



