MEDJUGORJE

THE SHRINE AND PARISH CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

Parish Pilgrimage
with Father James Miara, Pastor

Peter's Way Tours

9-Day Pilgrimage
May 6-14, 2025

For information email peter@petersway.com
or call 516-605-1551
Dear Friends,

You are invited to join us as we embark on a 9-day journey of faith, a true pilgrimage to Medjugorje. Medjugorje is the site of reported Marian apparitions beginning in 1981 and continuing today, with many opportunities to pray the rosary, attend the Blessing of the sick and religious items, and participate in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Many go to confession while there, some have undergone deep conversion, and others credit Medjugorje for their vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Over 25 million people have journeyed to Medjugorje. Most climb Apparition Hill where the events began. We will climb Cross Mountain and pray the Stations of the Cross. This is a journey like no other. I hope you will prayerfully consider joining us.

Blessings,

Father James Miara

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Enrollment Form • Shrine and Parish Church of the Holy Innocents • May 6-14, 2025 • Tour Code: 1233

**Entry Requirements:** It is the passengers responsibility to make sure they meet all requirements for the country they are traveling to. Requirements can be found by visiting the country's embassy website. Please note that requirements may change after you enroll on this tour. The Terms & Conditions apply regardless of unexpected changes to travel requirements or health advisories.

**Enrollment Deadline:** September 30, 2024
**Final Payment Deadline:** January 20, 2025

**Participant Information** (See Traveler Health Advisory section under Terms and Conditions to determine if your health status will affect your ability to participate in this tour.)

Please print your name exactly as it appears on your passport. Title: (Mr. Ms. Mrs. Rev. Bro. Sr. Deacon Other)__________________________

First__________________________ Middle__________________________ Last__________________________

Address__________________________ City__________________________ State__________________________ Zip__________________________

Home Phone__________________________ Mobile/Cell__________________________ Email__________________________

Country of Citizenship (if other than USA)__________________________ Date of Birth__________________________ M / F

**Tour Cost and Preferred Method of Payment** (Please select one.)

- All-Inclusive Package Pricing (Includes round-trip airfare from New York)
  - I am submitting all payments by check to receive the cash discounted package price of $2,695.00 per person, sharing a twin room
  - I am paying with a credit or debit card. The all-inclusive package price is $2,795.00 per person, sharing a twin room

**Room Assignments** (Standard hotel rooms provide two twin beds. Married couples may request a double bed. Single rooms are subject to confirmation. Please select one below.)

- I have a traveling companion and would like to room with (name):________________________________________________________
- My spouse and I are requesting a double bed. (Rooms with double beds are limited and are subject to confirmation.)
- I am requesting a roommate. I understand a single room may be assigned (plus an additional $395.00) if a roommate is not available.
- I am requesting a single room. Single rooms are limited. If confirmed a single supplement of $395.00 will apply to total tour cost.

**Deposit and Optional Travel Insurance** (Please select one. See Terms & Conditions for Peter’s Way Tours’ cancellation policy and travel insurance details.)

- All tour deposits and insurance payments are non-refundable. Insurance may be purchased up until the final payment deadline. However, pre-existing conditions are covered only when the insurance premium is paid with the tour deposit.
- Enclosed is my $500 non-refundable deposit. I am declining optional travel protection.
- Enclosed is $728 ($500 deposit + $228 travel protection premium) I am purchasing travel protection. View the plan terms and conditions by visiting: [https://www.petersway.com/docs/PetersWayProtectionPlan.pdf](https://www.petersway.com/docs/PetersWayProtectionPlan.pdf)

*Insurance premiums are based on your total tour costs (see Terms & Conditions). Premium adjustments may appear on your final invoice.*

**Credit/Debit Card Authorization** (Please select one.)

- ( ) VISA ( ) MasterCard ( ) American Express ( ) Discover

By completing this credit card authorization section, you authorize Peter’s Way Tours to initially charge the tour deposit (or full balance if you are enrolling past the final payment deadline) plus the total insurance cost to your credit/debit card. I acknowledge that by enrolling with a credit card, I am not eligible for the cash/check discounted price, even if I choose to submit subsequent payments by check.

Name on card:__________________________ Card Number:__________________________ Exp. Date:__________________________ Sec Code:__________________________

Billing Address:__________________________ City:__________________________ State:__________________________ Zip:__________________________

Participant Name(s):__________________________ ____________________________ ____________________________ ____________________________

If the amount to be charged applies to more than one participant, please specify additional names.

I have read and accept all Terms & Conditions as outlined on this brochure.

Signature:__________________________ Date:__________________________

Parent/Guardian signature is required for minors under 18 years of age.

Please sign and submit one completed enrollment form per person (with your deposit plus optional travel protection costs).

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All package pricing is based on a minimum of 20 paying participants. If the group does not reach this number, price or programming may be adjusted. Your group leader is solely responsible for any adjustments to package pricing, itinerary, and inclusions. They act on behalf of the group to modify travel plans as needed.

This pilgrimage entails a lot of walking, stairs, rocky hills, etc. Pilgrims must be medically and physically fit for this type of activity. Package inclusions do not always meet the special needs of travelers with limited mobility or severe allergies. If you have concerns or health issues, please discuss with Peter’s Way Tours before enrolling in the pilgrimage.
**DAY 1** Tuesday, May 6: Depart for Medjugorje

Check-in at JFK International Airport for our Turkish Airlines flight to Dubrovnik via Istanbul. Complimentary dinner (D) and beverages will be served on board the flight.

**DAY 2** Wednesday, May 7: Istanbul | Dubrovnik | Medjugorje

Early morning, you will arrive in Istanbul and connect to our continuing flight to Dubrovnik. Upon arrival in Dubrovnik, go through passport control, claim our luggage, and meet our local guide in the Arrivals Hall. Board our private tour bus and we will be on our way to Medjugorje (two and a half-hour bus ride). Independent lunch upon arrival in Medjugorje, followed by hotel check-in. Celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Medjugorje.

**DAYS 3–8 May 8-13: Experiencing Medjugorje**

Daily breakfast at our hotel. Each day, we will experience the beauty and peace of this simple village. During our stay in Medjugorje, we will have the opportunity to share our faith with pilgrims from all over the world. Our local guide will accompany us throughout our stay. Join fellow pilgrims from around the world as we assemble at St. James Church for the English language Mass. Follow the pilgrim path up Apparition Hill and pray in the place where the Blessed Virgin Mary first appeared to the visionaries. Each evening, join the villagers and pilgrims to pray the rosary and participate in the Croatian Mass, with a Blessing of the Sick and a final prayer for peace. Our guide will arrange meetings with the visionaries at their own homes if they are in Medjugorje during our trip and are available. Climb Krizevac (Cross) Mountain, where in 1933 the villagers built a 30-foot cross on the anniversary of Jesus’ crucifixion. Visit and pray at “Blue Cross,” a place of great healing and grace at the base of Apparition Hill. We’ll also visit the community of Cenacolo, Mother’s Village, and Široki Brijeg. Daily dinner and overnight at our hotel in Medjugorje.

***Experiences in Medjugorje***

- **Attend Daily Mass**: 10:00 a.m. Mass is offered daily at St. James Church for English-speaking pilgrims. At the end of each Mass there is a blessing of religious articles for pilgrims.
- **Climb Apparition Hill**: This mountainous hill is the site where the visionaries first encountered Our Lady. At the top of the hill is a Blue Cross where Our Lady appeared to the children while they hid from the communist police in the early days of the apparitions. Mirjana, one of the visionaries, also had public apparitions at this cross on the second day of every month. While climbing to the top of Apparition Hill, pilgrims are invited to recite the Rosary, pausing five times to pray each decade of the Rosary in front of huge bronze reliefs depicting each station. At the base of the hill, there is a beautiful statue of Our Lady in the exact location of her first apparition. Enjoy private time for prayer in this holy place.
- **Climb Mt. Krizevac (Cross Mountain)**: In 1933, the villagers of Medjugorje began construction on a 30-foot-high cross atop the mountain to commemorate the 1900th Anniversary of Jesus’ passion and death. The parishioners meditated on the Way of the Cross as they carried the heavy materials for construction up the mountain. A relic of the True Cross of Jesus received from Rome was built into this cross. It remains a central point of one’s pilgrimage to Medjugorje. As pilgrims climb the mountain, they pray at the Stations of the Cross to meditate on Jesus’ suffering, pausing fourteen times for each station at the huge bronze reliefs. Enjoy private time for prayer at the top of the mountain in front of the cross.
- **Apparitions**: Each evening at 5:00 p.m. (or 6:00 p.m. depending on Daylight Savings Time), your group can visit the Visionaries and fellow pilgrims of Medjugorje at either St. James Church or Apparition Hill to commemorate the time Our Lady appears to the Visionaries. There you can pray the Rosary as you await that time (5:40 p.m. or 6:40 p.m. during Daylight Savings Time). Afterward, a Croatian Mass is held at St. James Church and is free to all to attend. Following the Croatian Mass, a Blessing of the Sick is given.
- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**: The messages of Our Lady have always called us to be close to her Son. In response to her call, pilgrims will have the opportunity to adore the Blessed Sacrament at the altar outside of St. James Church. Adoration is on Tuesdays and Saturdays; Veneration of the Cross is on Fridays. Additionally, there is an Adoration Chapel on the grounds of St. James Church, where Adoration is held in the afternoon hours. Eucharistic Adoration is one of the most memorable experiences in Medjugorje. During the service, the outside altar is surrounded by several thousand pilgrims and locals, as everyone rests in deep prayer and the presence of the Holy Spirit.
- **Visit the Community of Cenacolo**: Pilgrims will have the opportunity to visit the Community of Cenacolo, founded by Sr. Elvira Petrozzi in 1983 for young men and women who have struggled with addiction and brokenness. You will be able to listen to their inspirational testimonies of recovery and healing through their relationship with Jesus Christ. You can also visit the nearby Oasis of Peace with a possible talk by one of the nuns there.
- **Mother’s Village**: Visit Mother’s Village, the local orphanage, and learn about the history of the area and the development of the orphanage.
- **Prayer at the Statue of the Risen Christ**: The bronze statue of the Risen Christ depicts Our Lord with His arms raised in triumph. The statue is located on the grounds of St. James Church. It miraculously seeps droplets of water out of Christ’s right knee which many pilgrims capture with a handkerchief. It is a site for reflection and prayer.
- **Visit to Široki Brijeg and Surmanci**: Only 18 miles from Medjugorje, you can go to Široki Brijeg to visit the Franciscan Friary of St. Anthony and the Shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On February 7, 1945, 30 Franciscans were executed for refusing to renounce their faith. Fr. Joao Zovko, the parish priest who was in Medjugorje at the time when the apparitions began, was stationed here as guard for many years and received thousands of pilgrims at this church. We’ll continue to the village of Surmanci, with its miraculous icon of the Divine Mercy and Merciful Jesus Church, famous for the Merciful Jesus painting, visited by thousands of pilgrims each year.
- **Visit Humac, Kravice waterfalls, and Tihaljina**: We’ll leave Medjugorje to visit the Franciscan Friary of St. Anthony and Shrine in Humac. After our visit, we’ll continue to visit the beautiful waterfall in Kravice. Then, visit the Immaculate Conception Parish Church in Tihaljina, which contains the Our Lady of Grace statue so many pilgrims associate with Medjugorje. A private mass may be celebrated for your group along with time for quiet prayer.

**DAY 9** Wednesday, May 14: Return Home

Early morning, we’ll be transferred to Dubrovnik Airport for our return flight to the USA, via Istanbul.
TRAVEL PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:
- Round-trip economy class airfare with Turkish Airlines from New York.
- U.S. departure tax; Customs user fee; security tax and all airport taxes.
- Deluxe motor-coach transportation as noted in the itinerary.
- Breakfast and dinner daily.
- Full-time local guide throughout the week in Medjugorje.
- Excursions to Siroki Brijeg, Surmanci, Humac, Kravice waterfalls, and Tihaljina.
- Entrance fees to sights noted in the itinerary, and coordination of daily Mass.
- Luggage porterage included for passengers who purchase the full air and land package for the group tour dates. Porterage of one piece of luggage at hotels throughout your stay is included. All service charges and local taxes as imposed by hotels are included in the package price. Although service charges are included, it is customary to leave $1.00 per person for the wait staff after each meal and $1.00 per person per day for housekeeping.

TRAVELER HEALTH ADVISORY: Passengers must be medically and physically fit for travel and ensure that such traveling will not endanger themselves or others. Most pilgrimages entail a lot of walking, stairs, hills, cobblestone, etc. Tour buses are not equipped with wheelchair ramps. A traveler who requires special assistance must notify PWT and must be accompanied by a travel companion who will provide proper help. PWT shall not be held responsible if we are unable to accommodate passengers with special needs, or for the denial of services to a traveler who requires special assistance.

PHOTO RELEASE: I grant PWT permission to use photos and/or video, taken on this trip, in which I appear. I understand such images may be used in print/online publications, presentations, and social media platforms. I consent and waive all claims for compensation for use, or for damages.

LATE RESERVATIONS: Enrollments received after the deposit deadline are subject to confirmation. Late fees and a possible increase in airfare may apply.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: Passports must be valid for at least six (6) months after the return date. Please consult the appropriate Consulate for current international travel requirements. It is strongly recommended that all required travel documents are complete and current. PWT will not be held responsible for a passenger’s lack of current and valid entry documents (i.e., passport, visa, etc.).

AIR TRANSPORTATION: This travel package includes round-trip economy class airfare from New York. Flight itinerary and carrier may be subject to change. Estimated departure taxes & fuel surcharges are subject to increase prior to ticketing. If you purchase independent flights, PWT will not be held responsible for the costs if you cancel participation for any reason. It is important that you do not purchase airline tickets until the group has been confirmed for travel by PWT.

AIRLINE SEATING: Under group contracts, seat selection is not permitted. Requests for seat preferences (window or aisle) may be made when you check in for the flight. There is no guarantee that requests will be honored. PWT cannot submit special seat requests on behalf of any passenger. Group reservations may not be made with any carrier that does not allow seat assignment to the passenger. If you lose your seat assignment, PWT will do its best to solve the problem. If you make your own travel arrangements made through PWT. Passengers who book their own airfare (Land Only passengers or those booking independent connecting flights) are advised to purchase travel insurance covering their flights directly from the airline or from another travel insurance supplier. The Passenger Travel Protection Plan includes coverage for the following: trip cancellation/interruption/delay, accident/sickness medical expense, emergency medical evacuation/repatriation, lost baggage/personal effects, accidental death & dismemberment, and 24-hour Emergency Travel Assistance Services. Benefits and services are provided by Travel Insured International. Upon claim approval, reimbursement is up to 100% of the non-refundable payments for your trip. If you choose to extend your stay or plan a pre-tour program, travel insurance can be purchased for an additional $4.00 per day. Additional coverage needs to be requested. The insurance plan will be available 60 days prior to departure and will be extended along with any changes made to the trip. All plan payments are non-refundable.

TRAVELER HEALTH ADVISORY: All passengers must be in good health to travel. It is recommended that all passengers are vaccinated for flu and any other diseases that may affect their health while traveling. PWT is only acting as intermediary and agent for the suppliers identified on this, or any accompanying documents, in selling services, or in accepting reservations for travel and travel arrangements made through PWT. PWT is not responsible for any injuries, damages, or losses caused to any traveler in connection with any travel and any airline, supplier, or other person who is in any way connected with the trip, or with any activity that is part of the trip. PWT in its sole discretion shall be entitled to change the itinerary and use every reasonable effort to complete the trip as originally planned.

ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS: In the event that PWT pays for any service that is later reimbursed by the travel protection plan (e.g., hotel or bus for trip interruptions or delays), by signing the enrollment form I agree to assign any and all benefits to the travel protection plan and to indemnify PWT up to the individual allocated amount of the payment made by Peter’s Way.


Peter’s Way Tours Passenger Travel Protection Rates*  

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*Rates are as of 5/1/22 and are subject to change.