

Pilgrimage to **MEDJUGORJE**



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\$2,949 per person
from Boston (BOS)

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Optional 4 nights Post Tour to Dubrovnik and Split:

May 06 – 10, 2025
\$1,873 per person

April 28 - May 06, 2025

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Your Pilgrimage Includes:

- Round-trip airfare
- Airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- 7 nights accommodation at centrally located first class hotels: (or similar)
 - 7 nights: Apr 29 – May 06: Hotel Grace, Medjugorje
- 4 nights **Optional Post Tour to Dubrovnik and Split**
 - 3 nights: May 06 – May 09: Hotel Lapad, Dubrovnik
 - 1 night: May 09 – May 10: Hotel Atrium, Split
- Transfers by air conditioned motor coach
- Tour Escort Throughout
- Breakfast & Dinner daily
- Glass of wine and mineral water with dinner
- Sightseeing with professional local catholic guides
- Admissions daily
- Mass daily & Spiritual Activities
- Luggage handling (1 piece per person)
- Flight bag & PDF digital confirmation of all travel documents

Sample Daily Itinerary

Day 1, Mon, Apr 28: Depart USA

Make your way to your local airport where you will board your overnight flight. Your meals are served on board.

Day 2, Tue, Apr 29: Arrive Medjugorje

Upon arrival in Europe, change gates to board your short connection flight to either: Dubrovnik, Split, or Sarajevo airport. Upon arrival collect your luggage in the baggage claim area and continue to the arrival's hall where you will be greeted by a tour guide and/or driver, who will take you on the 2 1/2-hour drive to the village of Medjugorje. Enjoy dinner before retiring for the evening.

Days 3 – 8, Wed – Mon, Apr 30 – May 05: In Medjugorje

The most beautiful feature of Medjugorje is its simplicity and its peace. While in Medjugorje, you will have the opportunity to experience your faith grow and share in the faith journey of pilgrims from all over the world. The local guide will accompany your group throughout your stay in the village.

Some activities that you'll be sharing with fellow pilgrims on your spiritual journey include:

Attend Daily Mass: Each morning, at 10:00 AM, your group will assemble at St. James Church for Mass (English- Speaking). At the end of each Mass, regardless of language, there is a blessing of the religious articles that you have with you. On Feast Days, and Sundays: English Mass is at Noon.

Climb Apparition Hill: This mountainous hill is where the visionaries first encountered Our Lady. Also, at the base of this hill is a Blue Cross, where it is said Our Lady appeared to the children while they hid from the communist police in the early days of the alleged apparitions. When climbing, your group is invited to recite the Rosary, pausing five times for each decade of the Rosary. At the top of the hill, you will witness the exact location of the first alleged apparition of Our Lady to the visionaries, and enjoy private time in prayer.

Climb Mt. Krizevac (Cross Mountain): In 1933, the villagers built a 30' high cross atop a mountain to commemorate Jesus' passion and death on the cross. Your group will have the opportunity to climb this mountain and venerate that very cross. When climbing, your group is invited to pray the Stations of the Cross (to meditate on Jesus' suffering Road to Calvary), pausing fifteen times, once for each Station.

Apparitions: Each evening at 5:00 PM, your group will join the villagers and fellow pilgrims of Medjugorje in saying the Rosary as all anxiously await the alleged arrival of Our Lady to the visionaries. Following the apparition, at 6:40 PM, feel free to stay at St. James Church and attend the Croatian Mass. Following the Croatian Mass, there is a Blessing of the Sick.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Our Lady has 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 inside the church. Additionally, there is an Adoration Chapel on the grounds of St. James Church, where Adoration is held in the afternoon hours.

Meetings with the Visionaries: Pending their availability, your guide will arrange meetings with the visionaries at their homes.

Visit the Community of Cenacolo: Pilgrims will have the opportunity to visit the community of Cenacolo, founded by the Sisters of Charity, for young men and women who have taken the wrong path and are on the road to recovery. You will be able to listen to their inspirational words about their journeys back to Jesus Christ.

Pray at the Statue of the Risen Christ: The bronze statue of the Risen Christ is located on the grounds of St. James Church. Many pilgrims sit and pray on the benches surrounding this peaceful statue. It miraculously seeps droplets of water at all times of the day out of Christ's right knee.

Day 9, Tue, May 06: Medjugorje - USA

After an early breakfast and heartfelt farewells, we transfer for Dubrovnik Airport (Split or Sarajevo) for return flights home.

Or for pilgrimage taking post tour to Dubrovnik and Split:

Day 9, Tue, May 06: Medjugorje - Dubrovnik

After breakfast, you will transfer to Dubrovnik also known as the Pearl of the Adriatic Meet our local guide who will take us on a walking tour of the Old City. It will begin at St. Blaise Church, the Patron Saint of Dubrovnik. Continue to the Gothic and Renaissance styled Rector's Palace. Next, you will stroll by the iconic Bell Tower Clock and Orlando's Column. To the left of this column, you will see the Sponza Palace. In the sixteenth century, members of the Academia dei Concordi met to discuss literature and to this day, the palace is the most important cultural institution of Dubrovnik. Lastly, you will visit the Dominican and Franciscan Monasteries. The location of the Dominican Monastery is strategically placed at the most sensitive point of Dubrovnik's defense barriers. While at the Franciscan Monastery, you will have the opportunity to visit one of the first Pharmacies still in existence. Dinner and overnight in Dubrovnik.

Day 10, Wed, May 07: Dubrovnik

After Mass enjoy exploring timeless streets in Dubrovnik. No cars are allowed inside the wall city (deliveries are made during the night), stop at the market, or at one of many small family-owned shops and restaurants. You can buy a ticket to walk on top of the wall, from there you can watch one of the best preserved 600 year old cities in the world, still occupied by 5,000 inhabitants.

Day 11, Thu, May 08: Dubrovnik, Excursion to Montenegro

After breakfast, depart for the Republic of Montenegro a Balkan country boasting a dynamic landscape of extremely high peaks juxtaposed beside very deep canyons, caves, and bays. Begin your excursion by heading towards the mouth of the beautiful Bay of Kotor, the longest and deepest fjord in Southern Europe. Enjoy a boat ride to Our Lady of the Rocks, one of two islets off the coast of Perast. The Roman Catholic Church is the largest building on the artificial island made of rocks and old ships. The island was created by local fisherman who found an icon of the Blessed Mother and Jesus on a rock here. Now it is a tradition to throw rocks at the island to increase its size on July 22 each year. Upon return to the coast, we will stop in Perast, an old charming coastal town with just one main street, yet sixteen Churches! Spend time in the city of Kotor famous for its winding streets and medieval charm before returning to Dubrovnik for dinner and overnight.

Day 12, Fri, May 9: Dubrovnik - Split

After breakfast, depart Dubrovnik and travel north along the spectacular Adriatic coast. Pass old fishing villages and new resorts, before arriving in Croatia's second largest city, Split. The historic inner city of Split was built around the Roman Emperor Diocletian's Palace, a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Site. While exploring, you will have the opportunity to see remnants of Split's Roman heritage such as, Jupiter's Temple, the Peristyle of Diocletian's Palace and the Cathedral of St. Domnius. The Temple of Jupiter was built around the third century and is dedicated to the highest Roman god, the god of the sky, and the god of thunder. The Diocletian's Palace had two purposes; half was used for the Diocletian's personal use, and the other half was used as a military garrison. Lastly, you will visit the Cathedral of St. Dominus that is encircled by twenty-four columns. The oldest monuments in this Holy place are those depicting the life of Christ, which can be found on the entrance doors of the Church. This evening, you will enjoy farewell dinner at a local Konoba (restaurant in the coastal area of Croatia). Following dinner, you will continue to your hotel where you will have a restful overnight.

Day 13, Sat, May 10: Split – USA

After an early breakfast and heartfelt farewells, we transfer for Split Airport for return flights home.

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