

DIOCESE OF LANCASTER

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2026

Led by the Bishop of Lancaster Rt. Rev Paul Swarbrick



23 - 30 JULY 2026 | 7 NIGHTS | FLYING FROM LIVERPOOL AIRPORT

HOTEL ST LOUIS DE FRANCE £975

HOTEL ST GEORGE £1045

HOTEL AGENA £995

HOTEL ELISEO £1125

- Direct flight from Liverpool Airport to Lourdes and return
- Transfer on arrival at Lourdes Airport to your hotel and return
- 7 nights accommodation at selected hotel
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner served each day
- Airport taxes and UK government levy
- Full religious programme included
- Pilgrimage Booklet and ID Badge
- Includes €10 contribution per pilgrim as requested by the Sanctuary
- 1 x 20kg check-in-bag & 1 x small cabin bag
- Lourdes City Tax included

BOOKING PROCEDURE

All Bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours, 46-48 Long Street, Middleton, Manchester M24 6UQ.
Email: info@joewalshstours.co.uk. Tel: 0808 1890468. All pilgrims are required to complete the Pilgrimage Health Declaration in this booking. Pilgrims' fares are held by Northern Star Travel Ltd t/a Joe Walsh Tours ATOL 11313.

VERY IMPORTANT - ASSISTED PILGRIMS IN LOURDES

If you require planned care from the Medical team then please contact the Chief Nurse before completing this application.

CONTACTS

Pilgrimage Director: Linda Wisdom; e-mail operationsdirector@lancasterlourdes.co.uk Tel:- 0773 802 2054

Chief Nurse:- e-mail chiefnurse@lancasterlourdes.co.uk Tel:- 0787 246 8743

We ask you to kindly note that the pilgrimage planning committee are volunteers and have their own regular employment. If we do not answer immediately please leave a message and we will contact you as soon as we can.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

A non-refundable deposit payment of £350 is required along with payment for relevant Insurance premium (if applicable)

All cheques should be payable to:- Northern Star Travel Ltd and enclosed with your Booking Form

To pay by Credit/Debit Card please telephone Joe Walsh Tours 0808 189 0468

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TRAVEL INSURANCE

it is mandatory that all customers residing in and travelling from England, Scotland or Wales have travel insurance in place at the time of booking.

A special group policy effective from 1 October 2025 enables us to insure customers up to the age of 90 years inclusive. Details of the insurance, which will also be provided at the time of booking confirmation, can be found on joewalshstours.co.uk/travel-insurance/.

The following charges, which must be paid with the deposit, will be automatically included on every booking confirmation.

Pilgrims may only opt out with the condition that they have their own insurance policy and can provide name of the insurance company, policy number and expiry date, at the time the booking is made only. Insurance charge cannot be refunded if cancelled at a later stage.

AGE	CHARGE	AGE	CHARGE
3-17 years	£35	66-79 years	£79
18-50	£49	80-90	£129
51-65	£59		

We reserve the right to cancel your booking if the insurance charge is not paid with the deposit or if details for your own insurance are not provided at the time of booking.

HEALTH INSURANCE

All travellers must have a valid up to date UK Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC). To apply for a GHIC or renew it go to www.gov.uk/global-health-insurance-card or call 0191 218 1999. This is available free of charge.

CANCELLATION CHARGES

All cancellations are subject to charges, the minimum being loss of the applicable deposit. For full details on charges, please visit our website www.joewalshstours.co.uk.

WHEELCHAIRS / SCOOTERS

Separate insurance cover is recommended if bringing your own wheelchair. Acceptance of motorised mobility equipment are subject to weight, dimension and battery restrictions.

Full specification must be provided at the time of booking through the approval form. Carriage is subject to approval by the airline.

FLIGHTS

Requests for specific flight times cannot be accepted. All bookings are taken on the basis of passengers accepting the flights allocated to them. A buy-on-board catering service is available on flights.

SHARING ROOMS

Bookings are accepted subject to a travel companion sharing a room with you. Please ensure to nominate who you wish to share with when making your booking. If there is nobody for you to share with, we will nominate somebody on your behalf.

If we do not find anybody to share with you, you will be charged the single room supplement.

SINGLE ROOMS

These are very limited and subject to a supplement.

CITY TAX

This tax has been included in your pilgrimage fare.

PASSPORTS, VISAS AND VISA WAIVERS

EU passports holders must have a passport valid for travel at least up to the scheduled date of return. UK passport holders must have a passport issued within the last 10 years, with 3 months validity left from the date on which you intend to leave the EU and may be required to apply to the new ETIAS visa waiver.

Other nationalities may need a visa or visa waiver to enter the EU. It is your own responsibility to ensure you meet travel and entry requirements to the EU country of destination.

TICKETING

Full travel information and tickets will be issued within 10 days of departure.

COMMUNICATION

Confirmation invoices, insurance details and travel documents will be issued in electronic format via email.

USE OF YOUR INFORMATION

Information provided on this form will be held and exchanged between Joe Walsh Tours, the pilgrimage organisation and its associated organisations. It may be shared with third parties associated with the services included as part of your travel package. 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

By signing this form you are providing Joe Walsh Tours consent to process your personal information. A copy of our Privacy Policy is available on request.

REGULATION (EC) 261/2004

The regulation establishes common rules on compensation and assistance to passengers in the event of cancellation or long flight delays. The obligations that the regulation creates rest with the operating carrier who performs or intends to perform a flight.

Any compensation that may be due to passengers in case of a flight delay must be claimed exclusively by each individual passenger directly to the airline and not to the tour operator, travel agent or any other organisation that may be associated with services provided as part of the proposed travel package.

PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Cheques should be made payable to NORTHERN STAR TRAVEL LTD. and posted to 46-48 Long Street, Middleton, Manchester, M24 6UQ, along with this booking form.

For payments by card and bank transfer, instructions will be provided once your booking has been processed by our Reservations team.

DATE OF ISSUE

All information on this booking form is valid for bookings made and departures between 1 October 2025 and 31 October 2026. E&OE.



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SECTION 1: PASSENGER DETAILS

FULL NAME AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR PASSPORT * If renewing this can be sent later						
Surname	First Name(s) (AS PASSPORT)	Title	Date of Birth	Passport No.	Passport Issue date	Passport Expiry date
Address (BLOCK CAPITALS)				Post Code	Nationality	Country of issue
Preferred first name (for pilgrimage badge)		UK Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC) / EHIC *If renewing this can be sent later Identification number (bottom left)		Home Tel No.	Mobile No.	
		GHIC / EHIC Expiry date			I use WhatsApp YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
Email:						
Is this your first pilgrimage with the Diocese of Lancaster? YES <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>						
Are you interested in becoming a volunteer? If so, tick: Nurse <input type="checkbox"/> Brancadier <input type="checkbox"/> Carer <input type="checkbox"/> Pilgrim Support <input type="checkbox"/>						
Details of Emergency Contact while abroad						
Name			Telephone Number			
Relationship			Mobile Phone Number			

SECTION 2: HOTEL DETAILS

*Single Room subject to availability, supplement of £46 per person per night Hotel Eliseo, £39 at Hotel Agena, £42 at Hotel St George and £35 at Hotel St Louis de France.

Hotels Available: Please indicate the hotel of your choice (subject to availability at the time of booking) SINGLE ROOMS WILL BE ALLOCATED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS. ONCE THESE HAVE BEEN FILLED, PILGRIMS MAY BE REQUIRED TO SHARE.		
Hotel St. George £1045 <input type="checkbox"/>	Hotel Agena £995 <input type="checkbox"/>	Hotel Eliseo £1125 <input type="checkbox"/>
St Louis de France £975 <input type="checkbox"/>		
Single Room* <input type="checkbox"/>	Twin Room <input type="checkbox"/>	Treble Room (3 single beds) <input type="checkbox"/>
Willing to share (i.e. share with another person) <input type="checkbox"/> Name (if known):		

The main body of the pilgrimage will be staying at the Hotel Eliseo. Anyone requiring wheelchair assistance OR planned care from the Medical Team must reside in the Hotel Eliseo where the pilgrimage volunteers will be based.

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SECTION 3: HEALTH DECLARATION

TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL PILGRIMS

	YES	NO	If YES, please give details
Do you have any significant on-going or previous health problems?			
Do you take any regular medication? Include a copy of you prescription			
Do you have any allergies or sensitivities? Include details ie. type of reaction			
Do you need help to wash?			
Do you need help to dress?			
Do you need help to eat?			
Do you need help to get in/out of bed?			
Do you need help with toileting?			
Do you need help to manage/take medication			
If you have indicated you require assistance please tick as to whether this will be provided by your own relative/carer. If yes, please provide their name.			Carer Name
Please tick if the assistance is being provided by the Medical Team You must have this care agreed in principle with the Chief Nurse prior to sending this application form to the Tour Operator			
Can you travel by coach /air sitting upright in one seat?			
Can you walk from the aircraft door or coach entrance to the seat unaided?			
Can you walk up 10 steps? (with support if required)			
Can you stand unaided?			
Can you walk 500 metres unaided?			
Can you walk 1 mile unaided?			
Do you need use of a wheelchair at the airport?			(If YES, please give detail OWN or LOANED)
Do you need use of a wheelchair in Lourdes?			(If YES, please give detail OWN or LOANED)

*(Please note the maximum weight for loaned wheelchairs is 19st/120kg. Please liaise with the Tour Operator regarding taking electric wheelchair) ☐

If bringing own wheelchair please indicate the type of wheelchair: Manual ☐ Motorised ☐ Foldable ☐ Rigid (non-collapsible) ☐ Note motorised wheelchairs/scooters & rigid/non-collapsible wheelchairs require approval from airlines. Full specification must be provided at the time of booking through an approval form. There is limited capacity in the aircraft to carry motorised wheelchairs/scooters and we may not be able to accept all requests.

GP/Surgery Name:	Address & Phone Number:
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SECTION 4: TRAVEL INSURANCE

It is mandatory that all customers residing in and travelling from England, Scotland or Wales have travel insurance in place at the time of booking. The GHIC/EHIC is NOT a substitute for travel insurance. If travelling on your own insurance policy, please give details below.

I require travel insurance ☐ I DO NOT require travel insurance ☐ (Provide own insurance policy details below)
 Age 3-17 years £35 | 18-50 years £49 | 51-65 Years £59 ☐ | 66-79 years £79 ☐ | 80-90 years £129 ☐

If insurance not required, please provide details of your own travel insurance:

Name:	Insurer:
Policy No.:	Insurance company's Emergency No.:
Policy Expiry Date:	

I accept the booking conditions of Northern Star Travel Ltd which can be found on www.northernstartravel.com. I give my consent to the Diocese of Lancaster to be photographed or filmed in the course of my pilgrimage. I understand that photos/videos taken may be used for promotion and advertising on social media, diocesan publications and websites and may be kept indefinitely. I declare that the information given in this application is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and complete. I will inform the pilgrimage organisers if there is any significant change to my health before pilgrimage.

SIGNATURE

DATE:

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