

World Youth Day

World Youth Day is a youth-oriented Roman Catholic Church event. While the event itself celebrates the Catholic faith, invitation to attend is non-denominational. World Youth Day is not associated with International Youth Day or any of the international observance days.

World Youth Day (or in short 'WYD') was initiated by Pope John Paul II in 1986. It is celebrated on a diocesan level annually, and at a week-long international level every two to three years at different locations. The international level events attract hundreds of thousands of youth from almost every country on the planet. It is a major part of the upsurge in Catholic Youth Work in some countries over recent years; for example, the Director of Catholic Youth Services for England and Wales has said of the event that it would have far-reaching effects, not restricted to those who attended.



Your WYD Pilgrimage Includes:

- **Air Transportation:** Roundtrip from Boston to Madrid & return from Lisbon
- **Land Transportation:** During WYD, local transportation. Provided during the post-tour.
- **City Guide:** Included on post-tour
- **Transfers:** From Madrid airport to WYD accommodations, from hotel to Lisbon airport after post-tour
- **Accommodations:** During WYD, simple accommodations. During post-tour, 2*-3* hotels, multi-share, triples and doubles.
- **Meals:** During WYD, provided by WYD Council. During post-tour, breakfast & dinner daily
- **WYD Registration Fee,** up to \$300
- **Taxes & fuel surcharge,** up to \$300
- **Exchange rate** of \$1.42=€1.00

(Rates based on double-occupancy, the airline fuel surcharges and currency exchange rate(s) at the date of quotation to your host, which are subject to change up to 45 days prior to departure.

WYD Registration Fee is an estimate. WYD Council is expected to announce their Registration Fees in early 2010)

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World Youth Day in Madrid, Spain

The next World Youth Day (WYD) will be held in Madrid, Pope Benedict XVI announced on July 20, 2008 as he waved "arrivederci" to the Catholic masses in Sydney.

The Holy Father officially brought the church's marquee youth event in Australia to a close, ending six days of religious and celebratory events staged across the city.

At the conclusion of the WYD Papal Mass at Randwick Racecourse in Sydney, Australia, the Pope announced WYD 2011 would be hosted by the capital of Spain.

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World Youth Day 2011

Day 1 Sun Aug 14: BOSTON - MADRID. Arrive at the airport two hours before departure to Europe. Our flight includes meals, drinks and in-flight entertainment.

Day 2 Mon Aug 15: MADRID. Upon arrival in Madrid, we enjoy a panoramic tour of the classical and modern squares of the city on our way to our WYD accommodations.

Day 3 Tue Aug 16: MADRID - WYD. In the morning, we have time to explore the city on our own. This afternoon, we attend the opening ceremonies and celebrate Mass by the Archbishop Cardinal at Plaza de Castilla, Cibeles Square or other location (to be determined.)

Day 4 Wed Aug 17: WYD. This morning, we participate in Catechesis sessions & Eucharist. In the afternoon and evening, we join the Youth Festival with religious & cultural activities.

Day 5 Thu Aug 18: WYD. This morning, we participate in Catechesis sessions & Eucharist. Afternoon arrival and welcome of the Holy Father at Plaza de Castilla and traveling through Calle Alcalá, Puerta de Alcalá, Cibeles, Recoletos, Castellana to Plaza de Castilla (to be determined.) We join the Youth Festival in the evening.

Day 6 Fri Aug 19: WYD. Catechesis, Eucharist or Sectorial meetings in the morning: Families, youth, seminarians, religious, contemplative life, caritas, solidarity, culture of life. Following this, we take part in the Forgiveness Festivity. This afternoon, we participate in the Stations of the Cross - a re-enactment of our Lord's Passion and Death. Youth Festival in the evening.

Day 7 Sat Aug 20: WYD. Pilgrimage walk to site of our evening Vigil. In the afternoon, "Cuatro Vientos" (Four Winds) event. Evening Vigil with the Holy Father and sleep out 'under the stars'.

Day 8 Sun Aug 21: WYD. After morning prayers, we participate in the closing Eucharist and Ángelus. Announcement of the next World Youth Day by the Holy Father. Afternoon is at leisure for pursuits on our own.

Day 9 Mon Aug 22: MADRID - CACERES - FATIMA. We depart Madrid and drive to Portugal. Enroute, we stop at Caceres to visit the historical center and Santa Maria Church. Arrive at Fatima for dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Day 10 Tues Aug 23: FATIMA. Today, our morning is devoted to visiting the Basilica and Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima and the birthplaces of Francisco, Jacinta and Lucia to whom the Virgin appeared for the first time on May 13th, 1917. In the evening, we join the Rosary and Candlelight procession. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Day 11 Wed Aug 24 FATIMA - LISBON. This morning, we depart for Lisbon. Enroute we visit Santarem to visit the Church of Marvila and the site of the Eucharistic Miracle. Time for mass is available. Upon arrival in Lisbon, we visit the sites of Pombal Square, the Liberty Avenue, Rossio Square, as well as a stop at Lisbon's Romanesque Cathedral - the Sé. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Day 12 Thu Aug 25 LISBON - BOSTON. We transfer to the airport for our departure from Lisbon to North America - the end of our pilgrimage to World Youth Day, Spain & Portugal.

World Youth Day schedule & activities are subject to change per WYD Council. See

<http://wyd.catholicpilgrimoffice.com>

for the latest information.

