

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2011

Archdiocese of Baltimore

WHAT IS WORLD YOUTH DAY?

World Youth Day [WYD] is an international gathering of young people from all over the world. Young people from every corner of the earth make a pilgrimage to the World Youth Day celebration. In 2011 the destination of the World Youth Day Pilgrimage is Madrid, Spain. A pilgrimage is both a physical and a spiritual journey through which pilgrims encounter the compassion and the love of God. World Youth Day gives young people the opportunity to rediscover their baptismal calling and to embrace a deeper understanding of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. The power of this gathering brings young people face to face with a new apostolic zeal and challenges them to witness more fully the Gospel in the modern world.

WHO IS INVITED?

When the rest of the world hears World Youth Day, they understand *Youth* to be young adults. The Archdiocese of Baltimore will be traveling with young adults age 18-35. Young people 16 and 17 years old can be part of the pilgrimage if accompanied by a parish or school delegation.

WHEN IS WORLD YOUTH DAY?

The Archdiocese of Baltimore will be traveling to Madrid from August 14 to August 23, 2011



WHAT IS THE THEME OF WORLD YOUTH DAY?

"Rooted and Built Up in Jesus Christ, Firm in the Faith." Colossians 2:7

The theme for the 2011 World Youth Day, in Madrid, leads to rooting one's faith in Christ. The Pope often encourages young people to cultivate their Christian faith, to make it mature and solid. He exhorts them to form themselves in order to "give an account of the hope that is in them." Thus it is a real pathway toward Madrid that the Pope offers young Christians, during the three years of preparation.

WITH WHOM WILL WE TRAVEL?

The Archdiocese of Baltimore has trusted *Catholic Travel Centre* for all of our previous international WYD travels to Paris, Rome, Toronto, Cologne, and Sydney. Over 500 Catholic organizations utilize them for their most important group travel arrangements. We have found *Catholic Travel Centre* to be the most trusted name in religious group travel. (*Please note that all travel specifics need to be addressed through the Archdiocesan office.*)

WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY PILGRIMAGE?

This is a pilgrimage, *not a vacation package*. A pilgrimage is a long journey or search of great spiritual significance. Often, it is a journey to a sacred place or shrine of importance to a person's beliefs and faith. While we have always opted to stay in hotel accommodations, we have continuously opted to share in the World Youth Day meal plan. This has allowed us the opportunity to meet other people and encounter the many cultures of the world. The culminating event of the Vigil and Closing Mass involves a hike as well as outdoor vigil, waiting for the closing liturgy.





WHAT WILL OUR TRAVELS INCLUDE?

At present, our itinerary reads as such:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14 - Depart USA.

All aboard! Your group of pilgrims will board your flight from USA en route to Madrid today. Sit back and enjoy the ride. You are on your way to World Youth Day!

MONDAY, AUGUST 15 - ARRIVAL IN MADRID

We arrive in Madrid and are met by our representative of Catholic Travel Centre. We proceed to downtown Madrid via private motor coach to our hotel where we have some time to rest from our journey. Tonight we enjoy dinner at our hotel. (D)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16 - MADRID: OPENING CEREMONY - LITURGY

Wake up and have breakfast at the hotel, load up your fuel for the day. Today the

Opening Ceremony/Liturgy will take place at a site in the environs of Madrid. Transportation to and from the event will be via the public transportation system included in the WYD Registration Package. (B)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17 to FRIDAY, AUGUST 19 - MADRID: CATECHETICAL SESSIONS

With the assistance of your tour escort, you will make your way to your catechesis location for each day, with the remainder of your meals taken on site as part of the WYD Registration package. Your escort will assist you in negotiating the public transportation system to make your way back to your accommodations each evening. (B) (*L) (*D)

On Friday you will also have the opportunity to participate with the Holy Father in the Way of the Cross. (B)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20 - MADRID: EVENING VIGIL

Better load up on the 'carbs' this morning at breakfast – in preparation for the pilgrimage walk this afternoon. With the assistance of our tour escort, we will begin our pilgrimage walk to the site of the Closing Mass, Cuatro Vientos (located outside Madrid proper) is the proposed site for the Evening Vigil and Closing Mass (subject to final scheduling). Meals will be made available as part of your WYD Registration Package. Sleep out under the stars as you pray at the vigil with thousands of youth from around the globe – and with His Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI. Sleep tight – tomorrow morning is the awesome final Mass! (B) (*L) (*D)



SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 - MADRID: CLOSING MASS

Wake up this morning to the rustling of hundreds of thousands of youth greeting the morning sun! This morning you will experience one of the most awesome liturgies of your entire life as you celebrate the Eucharist with hundreds of thousands of your brothers and sisters from around the world, along with His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI. The balance of the day is at leisure. (*B)

MONDAY, AUGUST 22 - MADRID: EXCURSION TO AVILA

This morning we make an excursion to the walled city of Avila. The city walls are the symbolic emblem of the city. We visit sites connected with St. Teresa of Avila, the mystic saint and one of three women Doctors of the Church. Our visit begins at the Monastery of the Incarnation where St. Teresa spent many years of her life in solitude, deepening her insights into the spiritual life. We will also visit the Cathedral where we will celebrate Mass and then have some time to walk the medieval streets at our leisure. (B)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23: RETURN USA

After breakfast your tour escort will whisk you off to the airport in your private motor coach for your return flight back to the USA. (B)

B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner *meals that are part of WYD meal package. Note: Final itinerary subject to change.

WHAT WILL IT ALL COST?

The cost of the Archdiocese of Baltimore World Youth Day package will be – **\$4,200.00**. This includes all the usual stuff to which we have become accustomed to with our travels:

- Airfare all the way to Madrid along with taxes and security fees
- Hotel accommodations in Madrid
- World Youth Day registration fee
- Some meals in the hotel as well as the WYD meal plan
- Transportation throughout our stay
- The usual tradable give-aways and other shirts and swag for our delegation.

In these times, it should be noted that no travel plans this far in advance can have an absolutely fixed price. If transportation costs increase, we will be forced to pass along those additional charges.

HOW CAN I ENSURE THAT THERE WILL BE A SPACE FOR ME?

Send a non-refundable deposit of \$1,000.00 with your registration information by July 1, 2010.



Archdiocese of Baltimore World Youth Day 2011 Information Form

**Please attach
a copy of
passport photo
here**

Personal Information *(Adults fill in appropriate spaces)*

Name: _____
Exactly as it appears on your passport

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

E-mail: _____ phone: _____

Parish/School group with which you are registering: _____

Social Security # _____ - _____ - _____ Passport number: _____

Birth Date: _____ Age as of Aug. 14, 2011: _____ Grade as of 2010-2011: _____

Religion: _____ T-shirt size: **Please check one** Small L XL XXL

Youth _____ Young Adult _____ Chaperone _____ Group Leader _____

Youth are defined as student (rising freshman 16 – 18 years of age) Young Adult defined as 18-35 not directly leading youth. Chaperones are defined as persons who will be responsible for supervision of our young people (must be 21 years of age or older). Group Leader is defined as persons leading a parish or school group (must be 21 years of age or older).

Health Information

Health Insurance Co: _____

Policy #: _____ Group #: _____

Policy Holders Name: _____

Effective Date: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Is your coverage: *Please check one* PPO HMO Standard

If other, please describe: _____

Primary Care Physicians Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Medical Conditions

Allergies: Bees: Does person require immediate medical attention? Yes No

Foods: Does person require immediate medical attention? Yes No
What foods? _____

Medicines: Does person require immediate medical attention? Yes No

What medicines? _____

Other Allergies: _____

Date of last tetanus inoculation: _____ Current Medication: _____

Does your health insurance cover you outside the United States? Yes No

Emergency Contact Information

Name 1: _____

Work Address: _____

Work phone: _____ Home phone: _____

Name 2: _____

Work Address: _____

Work phone: _____ Home phone: _____

Name and phone of nearest adult relative *(if parent is not available)* _____

Other Information

Have you traveled outside the United States before? Yes No

Are you a Eucharistic Minister? Yes No

Reader? Yes No

Singer? Yes No

Musician? Yes No

What instrument? _____

Are you a certified Medical Professional? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____

Do you have any special needs? *(sign language, dietary needs, wheelchair accessibility, etc.)* _____

Are you in Scouting? Yes No If Yes, which group? _____

Are you a Priest, Deacon, or member of Religious Community? Yes No

If yes, please describe: _____

Please read and initial:

Cancellation Terms: All payments are non-refundable. It is strongly suggested to purchase travel insurance, many such programs are available online for individuals to purchase on their own. _____ **Initial**

Late Payment: If payment is not received within 15 days of the scheduled date, the Division of Youth and Young Adult Ministry reserves the right to cancel your registration and retain all payments made up to that time as cancellation fees. _____ **Initial**

Payment Schedule

\$1,000.00 per person by July 1, 2010

\$2,000.00 per person by November 1, 2010

\$1,200.00 per person by February 1, 2011

Passports: Every passenger will require a valid passport to travel. A photo copy of the signature page and information page of the passport must be submitted by February 1st, 2011. NO PASSENGER will be allowed to travel without having submitted a copy of the passport. **Validity:** Passports must be valid thru March 1, 2012. American citizens do not require a visa. If you do not have US citizenship it will be your responsibility to determine if a visa is necessary and, if so, to secure such visa. A copy of such visa must be presented to the Division of Youth and Young Adult Ministry by February 1st, 2011.

_____ **Initial**

Signature of trip participant: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____

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DIVISION OF YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

PERMISSION FORM AND RELEASE

Youth Name: _____ Home Phone: _____

Parent Name: _____ Work Phone: _____

Other number where Parent can be reached: _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Social Security Number of Young Person _____ - _____ - _____

Date of Birth: _____ Male Female (please circle)

In consideration of the wholesome recreational and learning experience in which my son/daughter will participate, I as parent or guardian of my son/daughter, do hereby agree to allow my son/daughter to accompany the youth ministry/campus ministry group of their parish/school to: Archdiocese of Baltimore Delegation World Youth Day Madrid, Spain from August 14 – 23, 2011.

I/we acknowledge receipt of the attached information sheet describing the planned activities.

In consideration of the opportunity for my son/daughter to participate in the Pilgrimage to World Youth Day, I agree to RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY _____, (name of parish or school) the Division of Youth & Young Adult Ministry, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Baltimore and his successors, a Corporate Sole, and all their agents, servants and employees from any liability, claims, demands and causes of action arising out of or relating to any loss, damage or injury sustained in connection with or arising out of my son/daughter's participation in the Program.

I hereby grant permission to any staff person to obtain medical care from a licensed physician, hospital, or medical clinic for my son/daughter in the event that I cannot be reached.

(Check one of the following:)

I am covered by hospitalization and medical insurance under policy # _____ issued by _____.

I do not have medical coverage and assume responsibility for the cost of hospitalization and medical care for my son/daughter.

I hereby grant permission to any staff person to provide the following over-the-counter drugs to my son/daughter if requested by my son/daughter (Check all that apply:)

Tylenol Benadryl Advil Sudafed Midol Kaopectate Neosporin Pepto Bismol

ADD any other medical information concerning medication, allergies, illness, etc. _____

ADD any dietary restrictions: _____

Parents/guardians of participants are advised that photographs or videotape of participants may be used in publications, websites or other materials produced from time to time by the Division of Youth and Young Adult Ministry or the Archdiocese of Baltimore. (Participants would not be identified, however, without specific written consent.) Parents/guardians who do not wish their child(ren) to be photographed or filmed should so notify the Division in writing. Please note that the Division has no control over the use of photographs or film taken by media that may be covering the event in which your child(ren) participate(s).

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Child's Name

Return by February 1st, 2011
[Parish Group Leaders please keep a copy of this form. Originals should be sent to DYYAM]