



Iona Pilgrimage 2023

Registration Form

Register early! Registrations are on a first come, first served basis. Form to be completed by each participant and accompanied by deposit payment.

Please note that a registration is not complete unless accompanied by a \$500 deposit.

Please print, sign, and mail to:

Leslie Valentine / Iona 2023
21 E. 18th St.
Huntington Station, New York 11746

Pilgrim Participant Information

Full Name _____
Address _____
Email _____
Phone _____

Your signature will be required **TWICE**

Well-Being Policy:

The well-being of each pilgrim is of utmost importance to St. John's Church. Overall, the Isle of Iona is very safe and we have worked hard to ensure a sound and meaningful journey. However, things can happen and we cannot anticipate all eventualities. The Isle of Iona is a deep equalizer, where differences become irrelevant and similarities more apparent. A pilgrimage to Iona is often referred to as a "metaphor for life" in that each person will determine and find their own way – and, what's right for one may not be for another; there's no single right way to be a pilgrim on Iona, nor live life. By signing, you acknowledge that the pilgrimage journey will include optional walks and various types of weather. For example, the sea crossing maybe calm or rough. We highly recommend that you purchase travel insurance as soon as you start booking your travel arrangements. You also acknowledge that you take full responsibility for your own well-being and decision-making throughout the pilgrimage. And, by signing, you acknowledge that you have read all pages of this registration form and affirm your understanding of the range of agreements contained here.

I have read and fully understand the commitment to the well-being policy above.

Signature: _____

ROOM TYPE and ROOMMATE

Please check one:

- ☐ **Private room with twin bed** US \$2,600 per person
- ☐ **Shared room, with two twin beds** US \$2,200 per person
If sharing a room, please print the name of the other pilgrim with whom you will share your room. If you do not select a roommate, one will be assigned.

Name of roommate: _____

PAYMENT PLANS

Please check one:

- ☐ Single payment of full cost of trip
- ☐ \$500 deposit + 2 payments as outlined below

Your \$500 deposit is due with this registration form in order to secure your pilgrimage space. Deposit must be paid by check or credit card.

Make checks payable to: "St. John's Episcopal Church" with "Iona 2023" written in the memo. To make a payment by credit card, please contact the Parish Office at info@stjohns1745.org.

| | Private Room | Shared Room |
|--|--------------|-------------|
| Payment in Full | \$2,600 | \$2,200 |
| Payment Plan | | |
| Deposit due upon registration | \$500 | \$500 |
| 1 st Payment due November 1, 2022 | \$1,100 | \$1,100 |
| 2 nd Payment due January 15, 2023 | \$1,000 | \$600 |

Please Note: Full payment must be received no later than **February 1, 2023** unless special arrangements are made with the trip planners. All amounts are in US dollars.

I have selected a payment plan and agree to make payments as outline above.

Printed Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Rates are inclusive:

Lodging for nine nights—September 29 through October 8 - two nights in Oban at the Colomba Hotel and seven nights in Iona at Bishop's House.

Most meals—Pilgrims are on their own for breakfast and lunch on the arrival date of September 29, lunch while traveling on September 30, and lunch the following week when traveling on October 7.

Ground transportation in Scotland—Motorcoach from Glasgow airport to Oban, ferry to Mull, motorcoach across the Isle of Mull, ferry to Iona and return travel ferries and buses.

Gratuities for meals included in the pilgrimage rate—for restaurant staff and the Colomba Hotel and Bishops House staff.

Gratuity for ferry and motor coach drivers.

Not included in the rates:

Airfare to/from Glasgow

Some meals, as noted

Alcoholic beverages, personal snacks and sundries

Iona Community donations

Travel insurance

Refund and cancellation policy:

All deposits, minus a \$100 administration cost, are fully refundable up to October 31, 2022.

All deposits, minus a \$1,000 administration cost, are fully refundable up to January 14, 2023

Refunds for cancellation requests received on or after January 15, 2023 will be made only if the space is filled by someone on the waitlist, minus a \$250 administration fee.

All refund requests must be submitted in writing by email to: leslieval@aol.com

Your signature on page 2 of this document is your acknowledgment and acceptance of this policy.

COVID

All pilgrims must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19, including a booster. We will follow all future travel guidelines set by the UK, and continue to apprise you as we approach our departure date. If you are denied entry to your flight or to the UK due to lack of sufficient vaccination, we are unable to offer refunds.

Wait-list policy:

If your registration forms are received after all pilgrimage spaces have been filled, you will be notified by email and asked if you would like your deposit returned or if you would prefer to be placed on the waitlist. Waitlisted deposits will be held until **September 1, 2023** and returned if no space becomes available. Those waitlisted and offered a cancellation room must be prepared to pay the balance of their pilgrimage rate within seven days of their notice by email. If unable to meet the schedule, your place in the waitlist queue could be forfeited. If, after accepting the place offered to you by email you forfeit your place in the queue by non-payment, your deposit will be returned minus a \$100 administration fee.

Air travel:

The pilgrimage begins and ends in Glasgow, Scotland, UK. All participants are responsible for being at the Glasgow airport on the morning of September 29, 2023 by 10 am local time. Participants will be met by Leslie Valentine. A private motorcoach will then transport the group to Oban. Please note: if you are not at the Glasgow airport by the appointed time, you will be responsible for making your own way to the Colomba hotel in Oban. If this should happen, Leslie will provide instructions for traveling to Oban via train.

Travel insurance:

It is ***highly*** recommended that you purchase travel medical and cancellation insurance. Although we will be in the UK, the Isle of Iona is somewhat removed from mainland Scotland. Any illness or injury requiring a medical evaluation would be expensive. There are many credit card companies and travel agencies that provide this kind of coverage.

Passport:

A valid passport for the duration of your time in Scotland, UK is required. To come to the UK as a general visitor, you must be able to show that you are 18 or older; you intend to visit the UK for no more than six months; you intend to leave the UK at the end of your visit; and, you have enough money to support and accommodate yourself on your trip. Do not pack your passport or travel documents in your checked luggage, as you will need them at the airport and upon boarding the plane. Keep them, as well as prescription medication, and any valuables, in your carry-on bag and keep your carry-on bag with you at all times while traveling.

Your emergency contacts, medical information, dietary needs and other identifying information:

Once you are registered, we will email you a form with which to share your emergency contacts and other helpful information (i.e. medical, dietary, and identification, among other needs).

Any questions?

Leslie Valentine is available to answer your questions before registering or anytime thereafter. You can reach her by email at: leslieval@aol.com