

Limerick Diocesan  
Pilgrimage  
**Canonization of  
John Henry  
Newman**

*who visited Limerick in  
1852 and 1854*

**Oct 11 – 14  
2019**

**€ 649 p.p.s.**

**Led by  
Bishop Brendan Leahy**

Tour organizers: Cultural Connections Ltd

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- Return flights with Ryanair
- Staying three nights in Rome in a 3 star hotel on a bed and breakfast basis.
- One four-course dinner
- Attendance at the Canonization ceremony in St Peter's Square

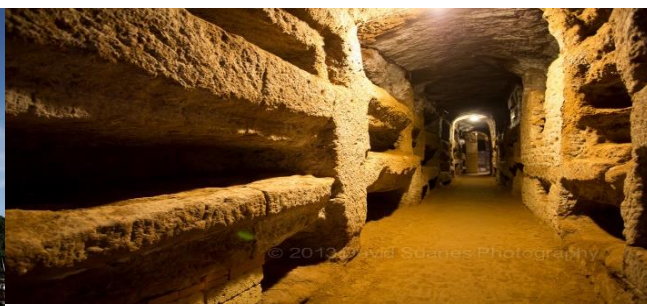
- Coach tour by night
- Catacombs and St Paul's Basilica
- Trevi fountain and Spanish Steps
- Pantheon and Piazza Navona
- Colosseum
- Full time accompaniment

**BOOKING CONTACT:**

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**HOW TO BOOK:**

Fill out your booking form, having read the Terms & Conditions. Return it to us with a deposit of 300 euro per person (plus single supplement and insurance premium if applicable). Make cheques payable to:  
**CULTURAL CONNECTIONS LTD.**



## PILGRIMAGE TO ROME, Oct 11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> 2019

### INCLUDED IN THE PRICE OF €649 p.p.s.

- Return flight (Dub-Rome-Dub) with Ryanair
- 3 nights in a 3 star hotel in Rome centre, B&B
- One four-course dinner with drinks and musical entertainment included
- Coach tour of the city by night
- Full time accompaniment
- 10kg of checked luggage per person

- Guided tours of all places visited
- All taxes (governmental and local)

### EXTRA COSTS

- Single room supplement of €35 per night
- Travel insurance
- Entrance fee to Catacombs (8 euro p.p.)
- 20kg checked luggage at 80 euro per item

### Day One, Friday

### *Flight to Rome*

Check-in at Dublin Airport, Terminal 1, by 2pm. Our Ryanair flight departs for Rome at 4.30pm. On arrival you will be taken by coach to our three star hotel (Hotel Olympic or similar) near the Vatican. There are many restaurants in the area for those who wish to go out for dinner.

### Day Two, Saturday *St Peter's, Propaganda Fide, St Mary Major, Night Tour*

Early morning Mass in St Peter's Basilica. Afterwards we will visit the tomb of St Peter and those of various popes. We will also see Michelangelo's *Pietà*. Visit Propaganda Fide Chapel at the Spanish Steps where Newman was ordained a priest. The Spanish Steps are the monumental staircase joining Spanish Square to the church of the Trinity above. Free time for lunch and shopping in the area of the Trevi Fountain. Time for rest back at the hotel. Afternoon visit to St Mary Major basilica, the most important church in Rome dedicated to Our Lady. Pope Francis lays flowers in front of the *Salus Populi Romani* icon here before and after every foreign visit. Free evening.

### Day Three, Sunday *Canonisation ceremony, Chiesa Nuova, Night Tour*

The Canonisation ceremony of Cardinal Newman and four others will begin at 10am in St Peter's Square and will last about 2 ½ hours. Free time for lunch/rest afterwards. In the afternoon we will visit the church of Chiesa Nuova and the tomb of St Philip Neri, founder of the Oratory to which Cardinal Newman belonged. Newman went on to establish the first English Oratory near Birmingham. Tour by night, including four course dinner with music. Our tour will include the Colosseum, the notorious amphitheatre in which many Christians were martyred, the Baths of Caracalla, the Pyramid, the Jewish Ghetto, Tiber Island and much more.

### Day Four, Monday, *St John Lateran, Irish College, Catacombs, St Paul's*

After breakfast check out and leave luggage at reception. This morning we will visit the Cathedral of Rome (St John Lateran). This was the first church built in Rome after the period of Christian persecutions and is considered the Mother Church of all the churches in the world. Continue to the Irish College, where many priests have been formed for Irish dioceses since the 1600s. Celebration of Mass. Free time for lunch. At 2pm we will load the coach and visit the Catacombs (entrance fee €8 per person). These were the official burial tunnels of the first Christian community in Rome and contain the most ancient examples of Christian art, as well as the tombs of popes and martyrs. Continue to St Paul's Outside the Walls. This magnificent Basilica was once the largest in the world. The sarcophagus of St Paul is now visible since the 2008 excavations. Continue to Ciampino airport for 6.30pm check-in on our flight to Dublin.

