

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:

- **Roundtrip air transportation** from Cincinnati
- **Airport transfers**
- **Land transportation** provided by host Diocese during DID, via motor coach in Toledo, local transportation during WYD week
- **City Guide** in Toledo
- **Accommodations** Provided by host Diocese during DID and in 3-star hotel during Toledo tour & WYD week.
- **Meals:** During DID, provided by host Diocese; during WYD week & Toledo tour, breakfast at hotel and other meals provided by WYD Council;.
- **WYD Registration Fee** (up to \$250)
- **Taxes & fuel surcharge** (up to \$300)
- **Exchange rate** of \$1.45=€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 2011 Madrid, Spain

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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 Wed Aug 10: CINCINNATI - BARCELONA.

Arrive at the Cincinnati airport two hours before departure to Europe. Our flight includes meals, drinks and in-flight entertainment.

Day 2 Thu Aug 11: BARCELONA. Today, we arrive at the Barcelona airport for our activities with Days in the Diocese. Transportation, accommodations and meals provided by our host diocese.

Days 3—5, Aug 12—14, Days in the Diocese—Barcelona. Activities with the diocese and other pilgrims.

Day 6 Mon Aug 15: BARCELONA - MADRID.

Today, we are picked up by our motor coach and drive to Madrid. Upon arrival, we are taken to our hotel accommodations where we pick up our registration materials for WYD—2011.

Day 7 Tue Aug 16: MADRID - TOLEDO. This morning we visit the "Museum City." Toledo was once the capital, spiritual, and intellectual center of Spain. Here, in one of Europe's oldest cities, enjoy a walking tour among its most famous monuments, including visits to the Cathedral, St. Tome Church (housing El Greco's *The Burial of the Count of Orgaz*), and the Santa Maria la Blanca Synagogue. Also admire the city's famous handcrafted work, the *Damasquinado*. Celebrate mass at a local church. Return to our accommodations in Madrid. 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 8 Wed Aug 17: WYD. This morning, we participate in Catechesis sessions & Eucharisty. In the afternoon and evening, we join the Youth Festival with religious & cultural activities.

Day 9 Thu Aug 18: WYD. This morning, we participate in Catechesis sessions & Eucharisty. 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 10 Fri Aug 19: WYD. Catechesis, Eucharisty 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 11 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 12 Sun Aug 21: WYD. After morning prayers, we participate in the closing Eucharisty and Ángelus. Announcement of the next World Youth Day by the Holy Father. Afternoon is at leisure for shopping or other pursuits of our own.

Day 13 Mon Aug 22: MADRID CINCINNATI. Transfer to the airport for your flight home to Cincinnati—the end of our Pilgrimage to World Youth Day 2011.

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

<http://wyd.catholicpilgrimoffice.com>

for the latest information.

