



## A Pilgrimage to Lindisfarne and Iona ~

A Celtic Journey for Adult Youth Leaders & Friends,  
and Adult Leaders in the Episcopal Church ~ in partnership with

Province IV Youth Ministries and Youth Presence Ministries

Dates: May 17 to 28, 2017

Guided by the Rev. Marcus Losack, Ceile De Pilgrimages

with stateside coordination by

The Rev. Dr. John Palarine, Canon for Program & Youth in the Diocese of SW Florida and  
director of Youth Presence Ministries, LLC,  
and Cookie Cantwell, Province IV Youth Coordinator

**We invite you to journey with us to these very holy islands and all that we will encounter between them. Come walk on these ancient lands and hear the echo of the voices of all who have journeyed here for so many centuries.**

**Listen to part of the Iona Service of Welcome, to set the stage:**

*We have come from many places for a little while.*

*We have come with all our differences, seeking common ground.*

*We have come on journeys of our own, to a place where journeys meet.*

*So let us take time together,*

*For when paths cross and pilgrims gather,*

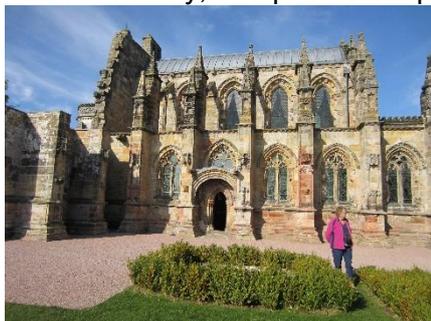
*There is much to share and celebrate.*

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**WEDNESDAY 17 May:** Group departs USA (O/N on board). (D)

**THURSDAY 18 May:** Group arrives at **Glasgow International Airport**. 10.30 am Group Meets at the **Tourist Information Desk in the International Arrivals Hall**. (Please note that there are two arrivals halls, Domestic and International they are only 5 minutes walk from each other across the floor of the main terminal. We will then board our comfy motor coach and embark for our first destination, **Rosslyn Chapel** (near Edinburgh). The hour or so drive to this ancient site, will give you time to nap and regroup after the long flight over. We are scheduled for a 12.15 pm visit to **Rosslyn Chapel**.

Rich in history, this private chapel was a feature part of the movie “*The DiVinci Code*” and that film really helped save the chapel, making renovation and preservation possible.



Light lunches will be available in the cafeteria. You'll have time to hear its story, stroll the beautiful grounds and soak in the history. At **2.30 pm**, we will **depart Rosslyn Chapel for transfer to the Lindisfarne Inn** for check in. 5pm Welcome and Introductions with overview of the journey. 7pm dinner and sacred circle. O/N Lindisfarne Inn. **(D)**

then brief evening worship in the

**FRIDAY 19 May: LINDISFARNE – HOLY ISLAND.** 7:45am Morning group worship/ 8am Breakfast 9.30am: **Community Building: getting to know each other & a Briefing: St. Aidan and the Celtic Mission to Northumbria** (Marcus Departure across the causeway for 11.45am **(Holy Island)** including **St Mary’s Church Aidan’s Monastery**) and ruins of the **C12th** and view of **St Cuthbert’s Island**. 1pm Free own) and personal explorations of Lindisfarne **Lindisfarne Castle** and quiet walks around **National Trust Preserve** with beautiful dunes and wildlife) until... 6pm **Gather at St Holy Island for 5.30pm Evening Prayer** then 7 pm return to Hotel for 8pm Dinner and Reflections on the Day. O/N Lindisfarne Inn. **(BD)**



Losack) **11.30am visit to Lindisfarne (ancient site of St Benedictine Priory** for lunch (on your (Optional visits to the island which is a beaches, sand **Mary’s Church,**

**SATURDAY 20 May: DURHAM CATHEDRAL AND HADRIAN’S WALL WITH A VISIT TO ST ANDREWS CHURCH AT HEDDON ON THE WALL.**

7.45am Morning group worship 8 am Breakfast 9am Depart by coach for Full Day excursion to **Durham and Hadrian’s Wall**. We will visit **Durham Cathedral** at 11am with **Prayers at the Tombs of St Cuthbert and St Bede**. In the **Treasury** we will see the **Relics of St Cuthbert** and other treasures kept at the cathedral. 1pm Free time for lunch (on your own) in Durham until... 3pm Depart for visit to **Heddon on the Wall** to see remains of

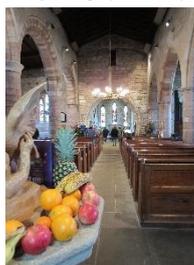


**Hadrian’s Wall (built by the Emperor Hadrian in 120 CE) and St Andrews Church** with light refreshments in a local hostelry before 6pm Return to Hotel for 7pm Dinner, followed by evening worship and reflections. O/N Lindisfarne Inn **(BD)**.



**Marcus on Hadrian's Wall**

**SUNDAY 21 May:** 7am Morning worship & Early Breakfast. At 8am we Cross the Causeway again before the tides close to revisit the Holy Island of Lindisfarne. **10 am Eucharist with the local parish congregation at St Mary's Church.** 12am depart for **Excursion to the Farne Islands** (by boat - weather island nature reserve, where **Grace Darling and her House** and also **where St Cuthbert** lived and died in Remembrance in the Chapel. 5pm return to hotel for worship & Reflections on the Day. O/N Lindisfarne Inn



visit to **Seahouses and** (weather permitting). This is an island nature reserve, where **Grace Darling and her House** and also **where St Cuthbert** lived and died in Remembrance in the Chapel. 5pm return to hotel for worship & Reflections on the Day. O/N Lindisfarne Inn

**MONDAY 22 May.** 7.30am Morning worship 8am Breakfast **9am Check Out and Depart by coach to Edinburgh.** We visit **Edinburgh Castle and walk on the ramparts, see St Margaret's Chapel and Exhibition with the famous Stone of Destiny on which so many of the Kings and Queens of Scotland and Britain have been crowned.**



Free time for lunch in Edinburgh Castle or one of the many cafes and restaurants near the Castle. 2pm depart for **OBAN - the Gateway to the Isles - via The Trossacks, Loch Awe and the Western Highlands of Scotland** ~ a gorgeous drive across Scotland to the west coast of the country. Some free time in the port city of **Oban** before 7pm Dinner and Reflections on the Day & Evening worship. O/N Oban Caledonian Hotel **(BD).**



Oban



Isle of Mull

**TUESDAY 23 May:** 7.45am Morning Prayers 8am Breakfast 8.45am check out and transfer to Ferry Terminal for **Ferry to Craignure.** 9am meet at Ticket office (**DO NOT BE LATE OR YOU WILL MISS THE BOAT!**) in the ferry terminal for 10am Ferry (45 minutes) from Oban to Craignure, then an incredible bus journey across the **Isle of Mull to Fionnaphort** where we will take leave of the bus and walk on to the Iona Ferry, for the short (10 minutes) crossing to the sacred **Isle of Iona.** 2pm Check in to the St Columba Hotel. **4pm Meet at reception for Guided Tour of the Abbey and local places of interest** (with Marcus) including **St Michael's Church and the Abbey Museum, St Columba's Cell, Relig Oran** (ancient burial ground of the Kings of Scotland including **McAlpin, Duncan and Macbeth**) and **Tor Abb – the Hill of the Abbot – ancient site of St Columba's scriptorium.** 7 pm Dinner.



**9 pm Evening Prayers with the Iona Community at the Abbey** (optional). O/N St Columba Hotel, Iona **(BD).**



Iona



St. Columba Hotel on Iona

**WEDNESDAY 24 May:** 8am Breakfast. **9 am Morning Prayers at the Abbey with the Iona Community (optional)** **10.30 am Meet at the hotel Reception for 10.30am Departure by foot for a Pilgrimage Walk to St Columba's Bay** – Traditional landing place of St Columba on Iona) with Picnic Lunch provided. (This is an optional activity that takes about 4-5 hours with some walking up slight inclines on stony or potentially boggy ground. Those with walking difficulties or other preferences can join for part of the journey coming part of the way to the **Macha** with sea views and then have free time of their own for personal prayers, reflections and relaxation in the village). **5pm Group Meeting at the hotel for Reflections on the Day** 7pm Dinner. 9 pm Prayers at the Abbey with the Iona Community (optional) O/N St Columba Hotel, Iona. **BLD**



**THURSDAY 25 May:** 8am Breakfast. **9 am Morning Prayers at the Abbey with the Iona Community (optional)** **10am Boat trip to the nearby Isle of Staffa and Fingal's Cave** (optional activity and this is weather permitting). Free time for lunch and **Quiet Time** on Iona with afternoon explorations of Iona until 4pm Presentation: **The Iona Community – its Life, Legacy and Mission** (by the Warden of the Iona Community in the Abbey Chapter House beside the Cloisters – TBC) followed by Group Reflections on the Day; 7 pm Dinner; 9 pm Evening Prayers in the Abbey (optional). O/N St Columba Hotel, Iona **(BD)**



**FRIDAY 26 May:** 8am Breakfast **9 am Morning Prayers at the Abbey with the Iona Community (optional)** **10am meet for Briefing on Celtic Spirituality and the Columban Tradition** (with Marcus). 11.15am Tea/coffee break. 11.30am Briefing **Hospitality of the Heart** (with John Palarine). Free time for lunch until....5pm Gather in Saint Michael's Chapel near the Abbey for Farewell Eucharist and Reflections on the Day with Iona Closures before 7pm Dinner and final O/N St Columba Hotel, Iona **(BD)**

**SATURDAY 27 May:** 7.45am Breakfast **(Luggage down before Breakfast please)** **8.30 am Depart Hotel for 9am Ferry.** Transfer across the Isle of Mull from Fionnaphort to **Craignure and Oban** with some free time for lunch and shopping in Oban then **depart Oban 2pm via Loch Lomond to Glasgow** for 7pm Farewell Dinner and Final Pilgrimage Closures. O/N Glasgow Holiday Inn, Airport Hotel **(BD)**

**SUNDAY 28 May:** Early Breakfast and Departures from Glasgow International Airport for same day return to USA, savoring your Celtic journey as you wing your way home.

### **PILGRIMAGE COSTS:**

USA \$2,995.00 per person (Minimum 24 paying participants)  
Single room supplement USA \$ 525.00 per person.

This **INCLUDES**: 4 nights DBB Lindisfarne Inn, 1 night DBB Oban Caledonian Hotel, 4 -nights DBB St Columba Hotel, Iona, 1 night DBB Holiday Inn Glasgow Airport. Entrance to all sites, Cathedrals and museums as indicated on program with all ferry costs for coach and passengers (Iona ferries) Boat Trip Excursion to Seahouses private coach and driver from Glasgow Airport arrival to Glasgow Airport departure, with all transfers as indicated on the program.

**Note**: meals provided are as indicated **B** = Breakfast **L**=Lunch **D**=Dinner (eg **(BD)**= Breakfast and Dinner)

### **EXCLUDES:**

**Airfare** from the US to Glasgow Scotland. Flight arrangements will be made on your own, **with everyone arriving and meeting in the Arrivals Hall of the Glasgow Airport by 10:30am on Thursday, May 18, 2017**. We find that booking your own airfare to be most cost effective, but we are happy to assist you with this, if you would prefer. For airfare booking assistance, please contact Joanne at YP Ministries listed below.

**Gratuity for Coach Driver & Guide**: (covers driving, hospitality and portage (luggage lugging) when suitcases are taken on and off the coach), with amounts to be determined, which will be collected by the USA group leaders and gifted to our coach driver and guide at the end of the pilgrimage.

### **PILGRIMAGE GROUP LEADERS:**

**Leader: John Palarine** + 904-703-9884 [jeipal@aol.com](mailto:jeipal@aol.com)

John is an Episcopal priest and formed Youth Presence Ministries in 2013 to help Episcopal congregations build strong youth presence through creating a vision, raising up and training adult teams and youth-led ministry. YP ministries also specializes in youth and adult pilgrimages ~ where paths intertwine and hearts meet, lives are changed forever.

**Leader: Cookie Cantwell** + 910-264-5910 [cookie@stjamesp.org](mailto:cookie@stjamesp.org)

Cookie, as the Province IV Youth Ministries Coordinator, has a deep desire to engage with people, places and spirituality within our world. She has led pilgrimages and mission experiences to the Holy Land; Quito, Ecuador; Taize, France; Alaska; Bay St. Louis, MS; Madison Country, North Carolina; and Philadelphia, PA. She went to Rwanda and Kenya in 2015 with The Episcopal Migration Ministries to learn more about refugees. She also serves as the Youth Ministries Coordinator at St. James Episcopal Church in Wilmington, NC.

**Guide: Marcus Losack** [marcuslosack@gmail.com](mailto:marcuslosack@gmail.com)

Marcus is an Anglican priest and director of Ceile De in Glendalough, Ireland which has specialized in adult and youth Celtic pilgrimages for 20 years. An expert in Celtic spirituality and Saint Patrick, he has authored the following books: "*Glendalough: A Celtic Pilgrimage*" and, most recently, "*Rediscovering Saint Patrick: A New Theory of Origins*".

**Travel Logistics: Adam Palarine** + 813-579-0440 [adampalarine@yahoo.com](mailto:adampalarine@yahoo.com)

Adam is a layperson and serves as a trainer with Youth Presence Ministries and oversees pilgrimage logistics. He is also involved with youth ministry at the parish level at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church in Fruit Cove, FL.

**Putting faces with names - meet your Leaders!**



Marcus Losack



Adam Palarine & John Palarine



Cookie Cantwell

**REGISTRATION:**

***If you are interested in joining us for this amazing journey . . .***

***Please contact Joanne Palarine at YP Ministries for a registration form. Your spot will be reserved by sending us your completed registration form along with a \$500 deposit to the address below. Please make your check out to Youth Presence Ministries, with "Prov. IV Iona Pilgrimage" on your memo line. If you would prefer to use VISA or MasterCard, please contact Joanne via phone or email for that information.***

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*A Pilgrimage Prayer*

*Lord, you have called us as pilgrims to walk in your Holy Way. Lead and guide us as we follow the footsteps of those who have gone before. Give us grace to see You not only in these sacred sites, but in the people we meet along the way, and in each other. Let your Word, heard afresh, renew us for the work we are called to do in your holy Name. Amen.*