



September 2026

Walking Pilgrimage

Champion to Holy Hill

Daily itinerary 140+ miles in 13 days
6 nights Farm Section + 6 nights Forest Section

FARM SECTION

Day 1 Sun., Sep. 6 (9.6 miles): National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion → Wisconsin Way Albergue, Luxemburg, WI. The shrine opens at 7:00 am. Mass times: 9:30 am (April - Oct) and 11:00 am (all year). Cafe and bookstore open after Mass. Supper & Monday morning breakfast at the albergue are included.

Day 2 Mon., Sep. 7 (12 miles): Wisconsin Way Albergue → St. Lawrence Catholic Church, Stangelville. Afternoon tour and possible Mass at historic church followed by a light lunch at a nearby vineyard and winery. You are shuttled back to the WI Way Albergue. Supper & breakfast next day both included.

Day 3 Tues., Sep. 8 (12 miles): Saint Lawrence Catholic Church, Stangelville → Albergue in Denmark. Morning shuttle to Saint Isidore the Farmer Catholic Church, Tisch Mills, Mass at 8:00 am. Enjoy a guided walking tour on wooded trails (prayer paths) with Stations of the Cross and St. Francis of Assisi shrine. Shuttle back to St. Lawrence Church for drop-off, then you walk about 11.4 miles into Denmark. Along the way stop at **Curran Spiritual Center and Carmelite Monastery**. Overnight accommodation: a private residence in walking distance of All Saints Catholic Church (Mass Wed. 8:15 am) and Devil's River Trail.

Day 4 - Wed., Sep. 9 (15 miles): Albergue in Denmark via the Devil's River State Trail → Two Rivers. After an optional morning Mass nearby, walk the Devil's River Trail from trailhead, south to Shoto Rd. Shuttle to overnight accommodations at **Holiday Inn Manitowoc**. *Double occupancy with upgrade charge of \$50 per pilgrim for a private room. Dinner is available at the onsite bar & restaurant or offsite establishments within walking distance (not included); onsite breakfast is included. Relax and enjoy the heated pool/spa, other amenities, friendly Catholic hosts and the on-site Divine Mercy prayer chapel.

Day 5 - Thurs., Sep 10 (14.6 miles): Two Rivers → Manitowoc via the Mariners' Trail and Ice Age Trail. Go our suggested route that starts on rural roads for about 7 miles to Lake Michigan, West of the Lakes Gardens. Then walk on the Mariners Trail south along Lake Michigan to the lighthouse and downtown Manitowoc. Shuttle or walk west thru the Ice Age Trail segment on route to overnight accommodations at **Holiday Inn Manitowoc**. * Optional upgrade to visit Wisconsin Maritime Museum or sleep overnight in their old submarine (👉 <https://www.wisconsinmaritime.org/>). A minimum of four participants required to sleep overnight plus an upgrade fee of \$200/person, subject to additional terms/availability at the time of booking. Museum pass is not included (to be purchased separately). Contact Brian for details.

Day 6 - Fri., Sep. 11 (14 miles): Holy Family Convent in Manitowoc → Holy Resurrection Monastery. Optional early Mass and shuttle service available to Holy Family Convent, motherhouse of the order, **Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity** (👉 <https://fsccl-calledtobe.org/>). Walk rural roads to St. Nazianz. Overnight at Holy Resurrection Monastery 👉 <https://hrmonline.org/> with dinner & breakfast included.



FOREST SECTION

Day 7 - Sat., Sep. 12 (11.4 miles): Holy Resurrection Monastery → Rockville, east of Kiel. Walk rural roads via Lax Chapel; suggested stops at **Mary Queen of Hearts Chapel** (add 2.2 miles) and **Henning's Cheese store** (add 1.4 miles). Recommendation: stop walking for the day east of Kiel in Rockville and resume walking the next day. Shuttle to St. Nazianz for a **2nd night at Holy Resurrection Monastery**. Optional guided tour (weather permitting): Loretto Chapel, Fr. Oswald's tomb and St. Ambrose church.

Day 8 - Sun., Sep. 13 (8 miles): Kiel → Elkhart Lake. Shuttles available for morning Mass in Manitowoc, then resume walking rural roads from Rockville/Kiel to Elkhart Lake. Suggestion: brunch at "Off the Rails" followed by a Sunday stroll in the charming downtown. Shuttle back to the **Holiday Inn Manitowoc**.*

Day 9 - Mon., Sep. 14 (9 to 11 miles): Elkhart Lake → Kettle Moraine Forest, Greenbush Group Camp. Walk 11 miles via the Ice Age Trail or 9 miles by scenic roads. **Accommodation options: Tent Camping** (included in base price) **or Hotel** (upgrade charges apply). Tent camping requires a minimum of four participating campers; otherwise all pilgrims in a group are shuttled and upgraded* to a room at the Holiday Inn Manitowoc. *Hotel upgrade charge is \$50 each for double occupancy or \$100 each for a private room; dinner is available (not included) at the onsite bar/restaurant or offsite within walking distance, and on-site breakfast is included. **Greenbush camp is on the Ice Age Trail (stay in the forest)** located on a large private site with sheltered pit toilets. We provide glamping-style setups that include spacious tents, a padded cot and clean sleeping bag for each pilgrim, clean towels, an electric charging station, lanterns, firewood, food for supper, coffee, and a light breakfast. **In the event of bad weather, pilgrims can elect to upgrade from Tent Camping to Hotel (upgrade charge terms apply), and you are shuttled out and brought back to Greenbush the next morning to continue your walking journey.**

Day 10 - Tues., Sep. 15 (12 miles): Greenbush Group Camp via Ice Age Trail → Campbellsport/Dundee. Trails or scenic roads. Overnight accommodations near Hamburger Haus, a **private residence/albergue**.

Day 11 - Wed., Sep. 16 (14+ miles): Campbellsport/Dundee → West Bend private residence/albergue. Continue hiking south (**Lake to Bike Trail**) to **Ice Age Trail**. You can visit **St. Matthias Chapel** and also opt for rural roads towards West Bend. Our albergue is a charming, spacious, rustic house in a park setting. Shuttle available from Kewaskum to overnight accommodations (dinner food and breakfast included).

Day 12 - Thurs., Sep. 17 (13 to 16 miles): West Bend → Slinger (13 miles) + 3.2 miles to St. Peter's. Shuttle available to the nearby accommodations, a nearby rustic lakefront log cabin with bunks, onsite restrooms/showers, a firepit and grill. Dinner food and breakfast are included.

Day 13 - Fri., Sep. 18 (10 miles): Slinger → Holy Hill Basilica, Hubertus. Walk all the way (or be shuttled) to the Holy Hill Ice Age Trail segment. For the suggested finish, cross Carmel Road and follow signage to the "Stations" approaching Holy Hill. Mass is at 11:00 a.m. Lunch is available at the Cafe (not included). Pilgrims are responsible for arranging transportation home. Brian can help with shuttle/ transportation options. Those who wish to stay overnight can contact the guesthouse for room availability, which is recommended but not included and requires a separate reservation (see Holy Hill website for details).



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Sunday, September 6, 2026 to Friday, September 18, 2026
Limited to six pilgrims; a minimum of four total participants is required.

"Friends & Family"

Promotional Pricing Grid:

Price per person*

One (1) pilgrim	\$2,375
Two (2) pilgrims together	\$2,250
Three (3) pilgrims together	\$2,185
Four (4) pilgrims together	\$2,125
Five (5) pilgrims together	\$2,050
Six (6) pilgrims together	\$1,975

*excludes applicable sales tax and hotel or submarine upgrade charges that may apply to individual reservations.

DISCOUNTS MAY BE AVAILABLE for group leaders, clergy, religious brothers and sisters, parish staff, Knights of Columbus members, military active-duty and honorably discharged veterans.

Reservation Booking Process:

- 1) Step One: Read our Terms and Conditions and Schedule a Consultation by telephone or email
- 2) Step Two: Pay \$500 deposit for pre-planned tour and return signed Participation Agreement
- 3) Step Three: Pay the remaining balance no later than 20 days before your pilgrimage starts

We strongly encourage group cohesiveness and encourage travelers to make their pilgrimage in a group that consists (all or in part) of their own friends and family to the extent possible. Therefore, friends and family who enroll together on a Self-Guided Tour are eligible for a discounted price per person based on the number of people as set forth in the above pricing. For example, if you and a friend or relative travel in the same group on the same itinerary together, both of you will enjoy the same discount on the price. The price per person decreases when more pilgrims reserve together.

Subject to availability, terms & conditions at <https://www.wisconsinwaypilgrimtours.com/tour-info>

Custom tours are available for groups of four to six pilgrims
with flexible dates, accommodations, and itinerary highlights

Contact Brian at (407) 516-9266 for a personal consultation



WHAT IS INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR

All pilgrimages or tours are **LAND ONLY**; they do **NOT** include airfare or transportation to the starting point or from the end point of your itinerary. Self-guided Tours include the following:

- o **BAGGAGE TRANSFER:** You may bring one (1) standard U.S. airline-size carry-on bag (not to exceed 24" x 14" x 9"), which will be transported for you daily between your accommodations on each walking stage of the pilgrimage. Bags over the size limit will not be accepted.
- o **ACCOMMODATIONS:** You are expected to cooperatively share various types of accommodations (as described in your tour itinerary) with others in the group with which you travel. There is no guarantee of a private room or other such private accommodation on our tours, absent exceptions as may be granted for religious or others with written advance approval at the sole discretion of WWPT. Your pilgrimage tour involves minimal, basic creature comforts and is **NOT** intended to be luxurious or a vacation. You will be issued a clean sleeping bag and an air mattress, pad or cot for use that we will transport for you to each appropriate location. As your itinerary indicates, you will be provided with a sheltered place to rest and sleep each night, which may or may not have access to a shower. All our accommodation locations have a shared restroom, toilet or porta-potty and most also have a shower. For example, the Albergue in Luxemburg, WI, offers bunk-style sleeping on a first-come, first-served basis; you are guaranteed a bunk but not any particular bunk in the guesthouse. At private albergues, homes, church rectories or monasteries where you stay, there may be beds or separate rooms available for some, but perhaps not all, on a first-come, first-served basis; and you are expected to cooperatively share spaces with others in your group. While staying at campgrounds, you may need to share a tent with at least one other person (typically 2 or 3 people share a tent designed for up to 4 or more), which we provide at each camping location along with conveniences such as lanterns, lighting, and a power source for charging cell phones where power would not otherwise be available. The accommodations shown on our website and the promotional materials are generally representative of what is available on the tours. Due to changing availability and for other unforeseen reasons, your specific accommodations may be subject to change. If a change does become necessary for any reason, at our sole discretion, substitutions will be reasonably equivalent.
- o **MEALS:** Daily breakfast and dinner, or food with which pilgrims can prepare dinner, are included except where the itinerary states otherwise and will vary depending on where you are staying that day. The breakfast will typically be continental style, and a limited amount of trail food and snacks will be provided at some locations at breakfast time, which you can carry with you (as a light lunch) particularly in areas where stores and restaurants are limited or unavailable along the walking routes. Pilgrims are encouraged to patronize local establishments along the way for lunch, as well as dinner at their discretion/expense, where available. Water will be available daily throughout the pilgrimage.
- o **OTHER INCLUSIONS:** In addition to the items listed above, your tour will include 24/7 emergency telephone support, a Wisconsin Way Pilgrim Passport, and shuttle support to all accommodations along the way.

HEALTH AND FITNESS: Our tours are active tours and require all participants to be in good health and good physical condition. You will be walking several hours each day for multiple consecutive days, so you should consult your physician to determine whether the tour is appropriate for you.

See "Terms & Conditions" for details at <https://www.wisconsinwaypilgrimtours.com/legal-information>