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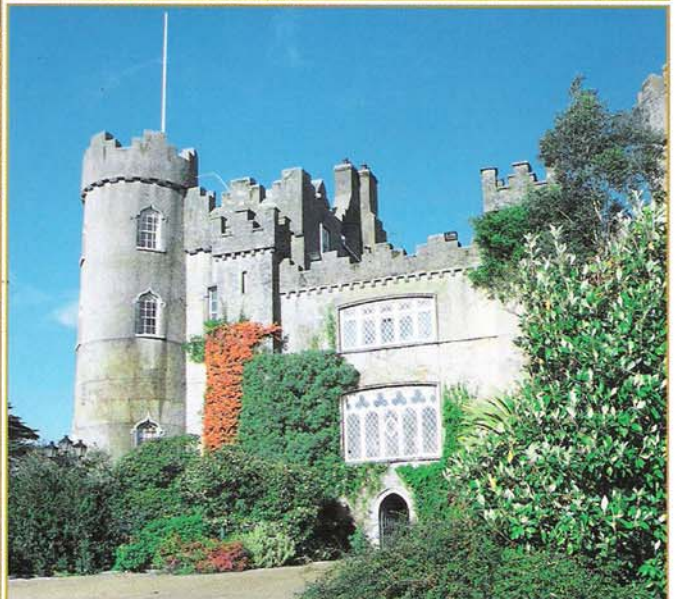
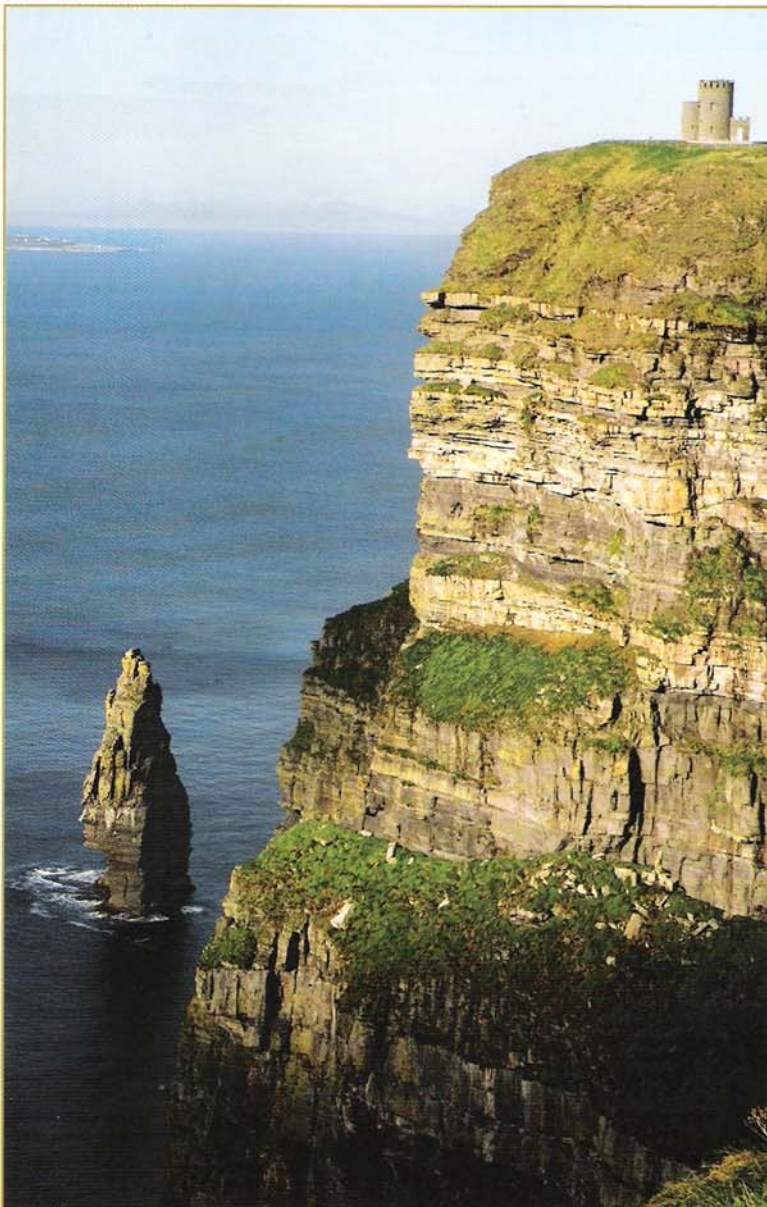
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Connemara • Knock • Sligo • Donegal • Dublin

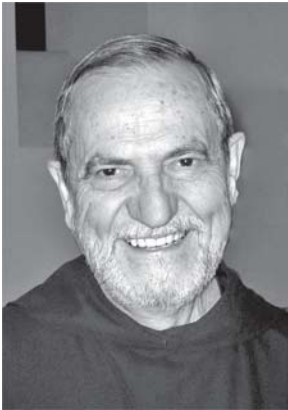
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Br. Maurus Zoeller, OSB

11 Days: September 3 - 13 2012

Only \$2979 from New York
which *includes* \$350 for airport taxes & fuel surcharges





Dear Friends,

I wish to invite you to a spirituality inspiring pilgrimage to the famous Emerald Isle! I am very happy and delighted that the Archabbot of St. Meinrad Archabbey, the Right Reverend Archabbot Justin DuVall, OSB agreed to be our Chaplain for this wonderful time in Ireland.

This is a special Pilgrimage visiting two Benedictine Abbeys.

Glenstal Abbey, home of about 40 Benedictine monks and Kylemore Abbey with its beautiful flower Gardens and home of Benedictine nuns since 1920.

The friendly people, hearty Irish breakfasts, the magical secrets and songs in the heart of Ireland, ancient stone walls, flowering hedgerows and thatch-roofed cottages all await you on this fascinating tour of Ireland.

See the places where St. Patrick lived. Pray in the shrine of Our Lady of Knock. Learn about Celtic spirituality as well as Irish history and culture. Drink in Ireland's natural beauty as you travel past mountains and glens, seascapes and lakes. Visit the castles, churches and monastic sites that preserved ancient cultures during the dark ages.

Let this brochure open the door to you for a most wonderful and enjoyable time in Ireland. Come share in this time of prayerful celebration. I am sure you will be well pleased with this tour for it is both high in value and low in cost. Our pilgrimage will be a joyful journey designed to highlight our faith, help us appreciate its historical past and view the art which was inspired by our Church and its many Irish Saints and leaders.

Please review the brochure and if you have any further questions feel free to call me at 812-357-6674 or email me at MZoeller@saintmeinrad.edu. If all the details are okay, could you please send me your deposit of \$400 per person and make the check payable to "Nawas International," our outstanding tour company. Act quickly! Simply complete the reservation form and forward your deposit to me to secure your place on this wonderful, inspiring and really fun pilgrimage. And get ready for the time of your life, an experience you will never forget. Who knows, you may even get to kiss the Blarney Stone!

Asking a remembrance in your prayers, and assuring you of my love and prayers.

*Sincerely in Christ Jesus,
Your pilgrim monk friend,*

Br. Maurus Zoeller, O.S.B.

Guestmaster

Retreat/Tour Director for Saint Meinrad Archabbey

TOUR FEATURES

- Round trip airfare from New York.
- Accommodations at first class/select hotels.
- Most meals.
- Services of a professional driver/guide.
- Comprehensive sightseeing throughout.
- All hotel service charges, local taxes, portorage and entrance fees.
- \$100,000 Automatic Flight Insurance.*

*Subject to policy terms and limitations.

YOUR DAY-TO-DAY ITINERARY

MON, SEP 3 – NEW YORK/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Depart New York today on board your overnight transatlantic jet flight. En route, enjoy dinner followed by a full length movie.

TUE, SEP 4 – DUBLIN/GLENDALOUGH/WATERFORD

Arrive Dublin. Board your coach and drive southward past Killiney Bay, the seaside resort of Bray and Calary Bog. Drive through the Wicklow Mountains to Glendalough for a visit of Glendalough Abbey and other remains of the monastic settlement founded by St. Kevin in the 6th century. Continue on to Waterford via the fishing port of Arklow. (D)

WED, SEP 5 – WATERFORD/BLARNEY CASTLE/KILLARNEY

Morning visit to Waterford's Glass Factory to see the famed crystal being handmade. Then drive southwest via the coastal route through Youghal, a former Anglo-Norman settlement, and to Cork, a lovely old city of dreamy spires and elegant limestone buildings, located on the River Lee. Onward to Blarney Castle to visit the legendary Blarney Stone, said to bestow the gift of eloquent speech on those who kiss it. Afterwards, pass Macroom and the Derrynasaggart Mountains traveling enroute to Killarney in the Kingdom of Kerry. (B,D)

THU, SEP 6 – RING OF KERRY

Today you have an opportunity to enjoy what is perhaps Ireland's most breathtaking tour. Spend a full day exploring the 109-mile "Ring of Kerry", encircling the Iveragh Peninsula, a panorama of spectacular coastal and mountain scenery along golden beaches. You will pass beautiful lakes, quaint little villages and drive along the rugged Atlantic shore before returning to Killarney. (B)

FRI, SEP 7 – KILLARNEY/CLIFFS OF MOHER/GALWAY AREA

Drive northward today to Glenstal Abbey, a Benedictine monastery which lies east of the town of Limerick. After your visit drive through Ennis enroute to a local coastal village where

you will see the awe-inspiring Cliffs of Moher soaring hundreds of feet above the sea. Continue to Galway Area for overnight.

(B,D)

SAT, SEP 8 – CONNEMARA

Today explore the wild, majestic Connemara region, home of Aran knits. Your tour embraces the rugged country lying between Lough Corrib and the Atlantic Ocean, a breathtaking region of mountain, lake and tiny cottages, where St. Patrick fasted for 40 days and nights. Visit Leenane, Clifden, and Kylemore Lakes. Stop for a visit of beautiful Kylemore Abbey, originally built in 1868 and home to the Irish Benedictine nuns since 1920. Return to Galway for overnight.

(B,D)

SUN, SEP 9 – GALWAY/KNOCK/SLIGO

Depart Galway this morning and drive to the ancient monastic site of Clonmacnoise which includes the ruins of a cathedral, eight churches (10th-13th century), three high crosses and a large collection of early Christian grave slabs. Afterwards, drive to the village of Knock, set deep in the wild expanse of County Mayo. Knock, the Lourdes of Ireland, is Ireland’s premier shrine to Our Lady. It was here that the blessed Mother appeared at the little parish church in 1879. Continue through “Yeats Country” via Bundoran to Sligo, birthplace of the poet W.B. Yeats.

(B,D)

MON, SEP 10 – HILLS OF DONEGAL

The variety of Donegal’s scenery is a never-ending delight. Drive along Donegal Bay to the dramatically beautiful hills of Donegal and view the magnificent coastline, majestic mountains, and deep glens and shimmering lakes, which merge in a tumult of beauty. Your tour takes you through the fishing village of Killybegs, the picturesque town of Glenties, and through the magnificent mountain scenery of Blue Stack range. Return to Sligo for the night.

(B,D)

TUE, SEP 11 – SLIGO/CAVAN/DUBLIN

Depart Sligo this morning and drive via Cavan and Kells to Navan, residence of the Irish high kings. Then proceed to the fair city of Dublin and your hotel for overnight.

(B)

WED, SEP 12 – DUBLIN

This morning’s tour of the capital city includes Trinity College to view the famous Book of Kells, St. Patrick’s Cathedral, Phoenix Park and the fine old Georgian Square of Merrion & Fitzwilliam for which the city is renowned. The afternoon is free for independent activities.

(B,D)

THU, SEP 13 – DUBLIN/NEW YORK

Your adventure is over as you board your flight back to New York, arriving the same day.

(B)

B = Irish Breakfast

D = Dinner

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RESERVATION FORM

Please read the all-inclusive tour features and conditions. Then complete this handy form. Book early!

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:

NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

MAIL TO: Br. Maurus Zoeller, OSB
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Accommodation Desired:

- double room sharing with.....
- single room (\$695 extra per person)

Enclosed is my check for \$.....as deposit (\$400 per person) for.....person(s)

Passenger #1:

Clearly print your full name(last/first/middle) as it appears on your passport

Name: Last.....
First.....
Middle.....
Gender: Please check Male Female

Address.....

City.....State.....Zip.....

Email.....

Home Phone.....Work Phone.....

Passport #.....

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Date of Birth.....Country of
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Place of Birth.....
(city/state)

Passenger #2:

Clearly print your full name(last/first/middle) as it appears on your passport

Name: Last.....
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Home Phone.....Work Phone.....

Passport #.....

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(day/month/year) Citizenship.....

Place of Birth.....
(city/state)

****Please include a clear photocopy of your passport****

A word about NAWAS . . .

NAWAS INTERNATIONAL has pioneered Christian Tours to the far corners of the world for over 62 years. We offer you the essential ingredients for a successful tour.

EXPERIENCE: There is no substitute for 62 years of planning tours. Our contacts, guides, knowledge of the area, and background guarantee you the highest quality service at affordable prices.

RELIABILITY: For more than 62 years, we have won an international reputation for reliability. We deliver what we promise. And that is essential for a successful trip.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS AND FINAL PAYMENT:

Reservations may be secured upon payment of a deposit of \$400 per person. No reservation is considered firm until deposit has been received. Your initial deposit payment shall be deemed to be an acceptance of all the terms of our General Conditions. Space is limited and offered on a first-come basis. Final payment is due at Nawas Travel 100 days prior to departure date.

Nawas accepts Visa, Mastercard and American Express for balance/final payments only. Credit cards are not accepted for deposits. The price of the tour already includes a built-in discount of 3% for payments made by cash or check. There is no discount on credit card sales. Credit cards will only be accepted prior to the final payment due date. Credit card charges cannot be accepted over the telephone. Tour members who want to use a credit card for final payment should contact Nawas at the time final payment is due for further information.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: A U.S.A. passport valid for at least 6 months after the return date of the trip is required to travel. It is the sole responsibility of the traveler to check their passport's expiration date. Non-U.S.A. citizens may require visas in addition to a valid passport. It is the sole responsibility of non-U.S.A. citizens (including green card holders) to ensure they have the required visas/travel documents for each country to be visited on their tour and for re-entry into the U.S.A. Visa fees (if any) are not included in the tour price.

THE TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

AIR TRANSPORTATION: By any IATA/ARC air carrier or other scheduled jet carrier, in economy class, with flights and air routings at the discretion of the air carriers and Nawas and based on non-refundable bulk group fares. Cancellations made after air tickets have been issued are subject to full cancellation penalties as imposed by the airlines. We strongly recommend all tour members retain both their ticket receipts and boarding passes as copies of same cannot be provided. Airline tickets must bear your first, middle and last name as it appears on your passport. Passengers must apply directly with the airline for frequent flyer mileage, awards are at the sole discretion of the airline. Nawas makes every effort to provide the lowest possible price on our group tours and therefore does not guarantee the most direct routing to/from your final destination. Nawas is not responsible if an airline cancels, reschedules or delays a flight for any reason. Nawas is not responsible for and will not provide any refund for portions of trips missed due to canceled, rescheduled or delayed flights by any carrier.

TAXES/SURCHARGES: U.S. departure taxes, overseas airport taxes, overseas local government taxes, airline security fees/surcharges and fuel surcharges of \$350 per person in effect on January 10, 2011 are included in the tour price. Should taxes/surcharges exceed \$350 per person at the time of ticketing, the additional amount will be billed and collected from each passenger at that time.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION: By deluxe motorcoach.

FLIGHT INSURANCE: Automatic one hundred thousand dollars flight insurance policy for each Nawas-ticketed passenger, subject to policy terms and limitations.

DEVIATIONS: All deviation requests from the group itinerary must be received at Nawas in writing no later than 100 days prior to departure. A \$100 non refundable fee per person will be charged on all deviations in addition to any extra airfare that may be incurred. Air deviations are subject to availability and restrictions as imposed by the airlines.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Accommodations are at first class/select hotel based on two persons sharing a twin or double bedded room with private bath. Nawas cannot guarantee roommates. A person taking a single room (subject to availability) must pay a supplement of \$695.

MEALS: Irish breakfast and 7 dinners are included.

SIGHTSEEING: As specified in the itinerary using motorcoach transportation or other conveyances as required. Entrance fees and the services of local English-speaking guides or tour managers are included.

TRANSFERS: Assistance and transfers from airports to hotels and vice versa in private motorcoach.

SERVICE CHARGES, TAXES AND PORTERAGE: Service charges and taxes normally included in bills, government taxes on hotel bills in effect on January 10, 2011, taxes on sightseeing and excursion trips and portage at hotels of one normal size suitcase (maximum weight 50 lbs.) are included in the tour price.

BAGGAGE: Airlines may now charge baggage fees for checked luggage on international/domestic flights based on the policy of each carrier. The maximum number of pieces of luggage, the weight allowance and baggage dimensions may also vary by airline from the USA to overseas destinations and beyond. Many carriers require that checked luggage in economy class not exceed 50 lbs with a combined length, width and height of 62 inches. Regulations vary for business/first class passengers. Airline policies regarding baggage are subject to change at any time without prior notice. It is the responsibility of each passenger to check with their

airline prior to departure for baggage information, regulations and compliance. Nawas is not responsible for additional fees imposed by air carriers regarding baggage. Due to space limitations on Nawas motorcoaches, Nawas can only allow one piece of luggage per person plus a carry-on bag with total dimensions of 45 inches which fits in the overhead bin or underneath the seat in front of you. Wheeled carry-on bags are not permitted due to limited motorcoach capacity. Nawas Travel accepts no responsibility for loss or damage to the tour members' baggage or personal belongings at any time. Baggage insurance is recommended and is available upon written request.

TRAVELERS REQUIRING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE: Disabled travelers requiring special attention or care must advise NAWAS in writing at the time of reservation. A physically able companion must accompany any person who needs special assistance. Tour directors, guides, drivers or other tour, hotel or ship personnel are not able to provide such assistance. NAWAS is not responsible for any denial of services to the disabled participant by air carriers, cruise ships, hotels, restaurants or other independent suppliers. Certain countries/destinations involve extensive walking. Be aware that outside the U.S. the Americans with Disabilities Act is not applicable and facilities for disabled individuals are limited. NAWAS is not responsible for any passenger requiring special medical equipment.

THE TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

Passport fees, visa fees (if any), phone calls, valet/laundry service, wines, liquors, mineral water, after dinner coffee or tea, tips to escort, guides, drivers and waiters, sightseeing and other services not specifically mentioned, excess baggage and all other items of a purely personal nature.

CANCELLATIONS: Written cancellations received by Nawas Travel up to 100 days prior to departure, refunds will be made less a \$200 per person cancellation fee. From 99 to 70 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to a \$400 per person cancellation fee. From 69 to 31 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to a cancellation fee of 50% of the total tour price per person. From 30 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to a 100% cancellation fee of the total tour price per person. Failure to receive final payment by the due date may result in the cancellation of your tour reservation and the forfeiture of your deposit. Airline tickets are not refundable once issued. No refunds will be given for any unused services while on tour.

We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance to allow for unexpected medical emergencies. Trip cancellation insurance is available upon written request.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The airfare used is based on non-refundable bulk group fares in effect on January 10, 2011. Airlines reserve the right to increase fares without prior notice. Tour members will be required to pay any airfare increases and fuel surcharges as imposed by the airlines prior to departure. Airlines require a minimum of 10 persons departing from the same gateway city. (\$350 taxes/surcharges in effect on January 10, 2011 are included in the tour price).

Land costs are based on estimated 2011 tariffs, overseas government taxes and rates of exchange in effect on January 10, 2011 and a minimum of 32 or more participants. While we have made the best possible estimates of what we expect costs to be in 2011, we cannot guarantee actual prices, exchange rates and airfares. Any increases in land costs or airfare that may occur will be collected from each passenger prior to departure. We reserve the right to increase the cost of the tour consistent with normal increases should the group fall below 32 persons, or in the event of fluctuations in exchange rates.

Please note that healthcare/medical costs outside the U.S.A. are not covered by Medicare and many private medical insurance plans. Please consult with your health insurance supplier to obtain the necessary health/medical coverage for overseas travel.

RESPONSIBILITY: NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL SERVICE, INC. (NAWAS), and their agents act only in the capacity of agents in all matters pertaining to hotel accommodations, sightseeing tours and transportation, whether by railroad, motor bus, motor car, cruise vessel, boat, air or any other means. Except for the willful negligence of its direct employees, NAWAS is not liable for any damage, loss (including but not limited to personal injury, loss of enjoyment, distress, death and property loss), expense or inconvenience caused by any act, omission or default of any supplier providing tour services or by any other person or reason whatsoever or by any delays or changes in the itinerary, or the acts and omissions of the tour leader/host or travel agent. NAWAS assumes no liability or responsibility for any injuries, inconveniences, illness, irregularity or incidental damages occasioned by circumstances beyond the control of the tour operator, or by any person or reason whatsoever, including but not limited to events such as strikes, revolts, wars, natural disasters, closures of airports or hotels, default or omission of any common or private carrier. NAWAS reserves the right to cancel the tour at any time, to operate the tour with a substitute tour leader at any time, to decline or not retain any person as a member of the tour for any cause at any time. Nawas reserves the right to make changes in the published itinerary if needed including deleting and adding cities and changing the sequence of the itinerary, or whenever in Nawas' sole judgment as conditions warrant, or if Nawas deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience or safety of the tour. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. The passage contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchasers of this tour and/or passengers. The services of any IATA/ARC air carrier may be used in connection with this tour.

***California Residents:** Please read the enclosed disclosure required by the Sellers of Travel Act before booking.

Payment of deposits by tour participants indicates acceptance of the above terms and general conditions. The venue for any dispute is Fairfield County, Connecticut. The laws of the state of Connecticut will apply.

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