

In the Footsteps of the Japanese Martyrs



26 July - 11 August 2027

This pilgrimage through Japan traces the living faith of the Church, from the witness of the martyrs to the faith of living communities today. Along the way, we will encounter places that tell stories of **courage, perseverance and reconciliation**, including sites connected to the Japanese martyrs, hidden Christians, St Maximilian Kolbe and the survivors of the atomic bombing.

This journey of prayer, remembrance and discovery will lead us towards **World Youth Day 2027** in Seoul, where young Catholics from around the world will gather in communion with the Holy Father.

Following WYD, our time in Japan will conclude with a **retreat of prayer and reflection**, offering space to step back from the journey, give thanks for the people and places we have encountered, and reflect on how their witness can shape our own lives. In the quiet of retreat, pilgrims will be invited to discern how they will carry the graces of the pilgrimage and the experience of WYD home—renewed in faith, strengthened in hope and ready to live their own mission.



17 DAYS

Departs Sydney
Monday 26 July 2027

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Traditional Village



Myeongdong Cathedral

Pilgrimage Highlights

Itinerary may be subject to change

DAY 1: MONDAY 26 JULY | AUSTRALIA → OSAKA → KYOTO

- Depart Australia for Osaka
- Transfer to Kyoto

DAY 2: TUESDAY 27 JULY | KYOTO

- Kawaramachi Catholic Cathedral
- Kinkakuji Temple (Golden Pavilion)
- Heian Shrine
- Sanjusangen-do Hall
- Kiyomizu Temple
- Evening group reflection and dinner

Kyoto overnight

DAY 3: WEDNESDAY 28 JULY | KYOTO → KUMAMOTO

- Shinkansen to Kumamoto
- Mass at Tetori Catholic Church
- Visit Kumamoto Castle

Kumamoto overnight

DAY 4: THURSDAY 29 JULY | KUMAMOTO → UNZEN → NAGASAKI

- Travel by ferry to Unzen
- Visit Unzen Martyrdom Site
- Unzen Catholic Church
- Nagasaki Atomic Bomb Museum

Nagasaki overnight

DAY 5: FRIDAY 30 JULY | NAGASAKI

- 26 Martyrs Museum & Monument
- Mass at Nishizaka
- Oura Catholic Church
- Hongōchi Monastery

- Kofukuji Temple and Hidden Christian history
- Nyoko-do

Nagasaki overnight

DAY 6: SATURDAY 31 JULY | NAGASAKI

- Leisurely morning
- Urakami Cathedral
- Final group dinner in Japan

Nagasaki overnight

DAY 7: SUNDAY 1 AUGUST | NAGASAKI → SEOUL

Fly to Seoul

Seoul overnight

DAY 8: MONDAY 2 AUGUST | SEOUL

- Explore Seoul /
- Prepare for WYD week

Seoul overnight

DAY 9: TUESDAY 3 AUGUST | WYD

- Orientation & Seoul exploration
- WYD Opening Mass

Seoul overnight

DAY 10: WEDNESDAY 4 AUGUST | WYD

- Morning Catechesis
- Daily Mass & Reconciliation
- Youth Festival events

Seoul overnight

DAY 11: THURSDAY 5 AUGUST | WYD

- Morning Catechesis
- Daily Mass & Reconciliation
- Youth Festival events
- Welcoming Ceremony for the Holy Father

Seoul overnight

DAY 12: FRIDAY 6 AUGUST | WYD

- Morning Catechesis
- Daily Mass & Reconciliation
- Youth Festival events
- Stations of the Cross

Seoul overnight

DAY 13: SATURDAY 7 AUGUST | WYD

- Pilgrimage walk to WYD gathering
- Concerts & Youth Festival
- WYD Vigil with the Holy Father
- Overnight pilgrimage experience

Seoul overnight

DAY 14: SUNDAY 8 AUGUST | WYD

- Morning Prayer
- WYD Papal Mass
- Sending forth & pilgrimage walk back

Seoul overnight

DAYS 15-16: MONDAY 9 - TUE 10 AUGUST | POST-WYD RETREAT

- Travel to retreat location
- Prayer, reflection & group retreat

Overnight at retreat location

DAY 17: WEDNESDAY 11 AUGUST | RETURN TO AUSTRALIA

Depart South Korea



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