



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 - Sunday (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 - Monday (13 miles): **The Wisconsin Way Albergue → Parallel 44 Vineyard & Winery via Saint Lawrence Catholic Church**, Stangelville. Afternoon visit at the historic church (possibly a Mass) and then lunch* at a nearby winery. You are shuttled back to the WI Way Albergue. Supper & breakfast included.

Day 3 - Tuesday (11.4 miles): **Saint Lawrence Catholic Church, Stangelville → downtown Denmark**. Morning shuttle 7:00 am to Saint Isidore the Farmer Catholic Church, Tisch Mills, Mass at 8:00 am. Enjoy a guided walking tour of wooded trails (prayer paths) with Stations of the Cross and St. Francis of Assisi shrine. Then be shuttled back to St. Lawrence Church for drop-off, then you walk about 11.4 miles into downtown Denmark. Along the way stop at the **Curran Spiritual Center and Carmelite Monastery**. Overnight accommodation: 4 bedroom residence / albergue a short walking distance from All Saints Catholic Church (Mass Wed. 8:15 am) and Devil's River Trailhead. Food for supper & breakfast included.

Day 4 - Wednesday (12 miles): **Private Albergue in Denmark → Lumen Christi Farm**, Reedsville, WI via **Devil's River State Trail**. <https://lumenchristifarm.org/> Accommodations include climate controlled yurt, sheep wagon and RV/Camper(s) with indoor gathering spaces at a new nonprofit **Catholic retreat center** operating a **working sheep and goat farm**. Amenities include shower, toilets, dining area, kitchen, chapels and walking trails. Food & beverages for supper & breakfast the following morning included.

Day 5 - Thursday (9 miles*): **Lumen Christi Farm, Reedsville → St Mary's Catholic Church, Clarks Mills**. Walk rural roads to a historic marker in front of St. Mary's church in Clarks Mills, at the exact spot where an order known as the **Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity** was founded. From there you're shuttled to the order's mothership, **Holy Family Convent** (👉 <https://fsc-calledtobe.org/>) for a private tour, then be shuttled into Manitowoc for overnight accommodations at the **Holiday Inn** (double occupancy included with \$50 upcharge for a single occupancy private room). Dinner is available at the onsite bar/restaurant or offsite establishments within walking distance (not included in the tour price); the onsite breakfast is included. Relax and enjoy a heated pool/spa, amenities and the Divine Mercy chapel at the Holiday Inn.

Day 6 - Friday (8 miles*): **St Mary's Catholic Church - Clarks Mills → Holy Resurrection Monastery**, Eastern Rite Catholic monks, St. Nazianz 📍 www.hrmonline.org. After morning Mass in Manitowoc, you are shuttled back to Clark's Mill to continue walking to St. Nazianz. After arrival at the monastery, enjoy a **guided historic walking tour** including Loretto Chapel and Father Oswald's tomb. Lodging and meals (dinner and breakfast) and the optional guided tour, weather permitting, are all included.

* Lumen Christi Farm and H.R. Monastery are retreat destination hotspots; hence the slower pace here.



FOREST SECTION

Includes 3 nights of Tent Camping on Days 9, 10 & 12; Hotel Upgrade available to replace camping*

Day 7 - Saturday (11.4 miles): **Holy Resurrection Monastery, St. Nazianz, WI → downtown Kiel, WI.** Walk mostly rural roads via Lax Chapel; suggested stops at **Mary Queen of Hearts Chapel** (+ 2.2 miles) and **Henning's** Cheese store (+ 1.4 miles). We suggest lunch and an afternoon stroll in downtown Kiel. From there you are shuttled to the **Holiday Inn Manitowoc** for the same accommodations as Day 5.

Day 8 - Sunday (7+ Miles): **Downtown Kiel → downtown Elkhart Lake.** Shuttle available for a morning Mass in Manitowoc, then a late morning shuttle back to Kiel where you continue walking rural roads into Elkhart Lake, where we suggest lunch at "Off the Rails" and stroll in the **charming downtown**. From there you will be shuttled back to the **Holiday Inn Manitowoc** (same accommodations as Day 5).

Day 9 - Monday (9 to 11 miles): **Elkhart Lake → Kettle Moraine State Forest - Greenbush Group Camp.** 11 miles via **Ice Age Trail** or 9 miles by scenic road. Accommodation options are either: **Tent Camping** (included in your base price) **or Hotel** (upgrade charges apply). Tent camping requires a minimum of 4; otherwise all pilgrims in a group are shuttled and upgraded* to a room at the Holiday Inn Manitowoc. *Hotel upgrade charge is \$50 per pilgrim for double occupancy or \$100 per pilgrim for a private single occupant room. Dinner is available (not included) at the onsite bar/restaurant or offsite establishments within walking distance. Onsite breakfast is included. **Greenbush camp is located on the Ice Age Trail (you can stay right in the forest)** on a large wooded remote site with sheltered pit toilet restrooms. We provide a glamping style set-up that includes spacious new tents, padded cot, clean sleeping bag, clean towel, electric charging station, lanterns, firewood, food for supper and coffee with a light breakfast. **AND In the event of bad weather, pilgrims can elect that day to upgrade from Tent Camping to Hotel (charges/terms apply); so we can shuttle you out and bring you back to Greenbush the next morning where you can continue walking through the forest via the Ice Age Trail or scenic roads.**

Day 10 - Tuesday (15 miles): **Greenbush Group Camp → Kettle Moraine Mauthe Lake Campground,** via the Ice Age Trail. Tent camping at woodsy sites, indoor shower w/toilet facilities. Same accommodation options as previous day; either **Tent Camping** (included as above) **or Hotel** (upgrade charges do apply). **Mauthe Lake is located directly on the Ice Age Trail.** You can stay in the forest and glamp overnight.

Day 11 - Wednesday (15 miles): **Mauthe Lake Campground → Albergue/private residence, West Bend.** Continue hiking south on the **Ice Age Trail** (about 2 miles to **St. Matthias Chapel**) and along rural roads into Westbend. Our albergue is a 4 Bedroom / 2 Bath cabinesque home in a woodsy setting not far but uphill from trail connected scenic roads. Food for supper and breakfast are included.

Day 12 - Thursday (11 miles): **Albergue in West Bend → Kettle Moraine State Forest - Pike Lake Unit** campground, Hartford. Via Ice Age Trail and scenic roads. Pike Lake is located directly on the Ice Age Trail, if you want to glamp overnight in the forest. Woodsy sites w/toilets and showers. Same accommodation options as Day 9: either **Tent Camping** (included as above) **or Hotel** nearby (upgrade charges do apply).

Day 13 - Friday (7.6 miles): **Pike Lake Unit Campground → Holy Hill Basilica, Hubertus** (tour ends here). Walk via Ice Age Trail and connecting roads (follow signage to "Stations" on the approach to Holy Hill). Mass is at 11 am. Lunch available at Cafe (not included). Plan arrangements to get home and contact Brian to inquire about transportation/shuttle options. Those who wish to stay overnight can contact the Holy Hill guesthouse regarding room availability - requires separate reservation - not included in tour.



Champion to Holy Hill Pilgrimage
140+ miles in 13 days / 12 nights
Starts on Feast of Corpus Christi
Sunday, June 7, 2026 to Friday, June 19, 2026
Limited availability (max. = 6 and min. = 4 pilgrims)

"Friends & Family"

<u>Promotional Pricing Grid:</u>	<u>Price per person*</u>
Solitary (1) Pilgrim	\$1,900
Two (2) pilgrims together	\$1,800
Three (3) pilgrims together	\$1,750
Four (4) pilgrims together	\$1,700
Five (5) pilgrims together	\$1,650
Six (6) pilgrims together	\$1,600

* excludes sales tax and any hotel upgrade charges that may apply to individual reservations.

Hotel upgrade charge \$50 per pilgrim double occupancy or \$100 per pilgrim single occupancy room

DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE for Group Leaders, Religious (Priests, Deacons, KoC, parish staff) and Military/Veterans.

Booking Reservations:

- 1) Step One: Read our Terms and Conditions and Schedule a Consultation by telephone or email
- 2) Step Two: Pay Deposit (\$500 for pre-planned tour) and return signed Participation Agreement
- 3) Step Three: Pay remaining balance within 20 days of tour start date

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 more the people, the greater the price discount.

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

Custom Tours available for groups of 4 to 6 pilgrims
flexible timeframes, accommodations and itinerary hot spots

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. based 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 type sleeping on a first come first serve 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 serve basis; and you are expected to cooperatively share spaces with others in your group. While staying at campgrounds, you likely 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 a lantern/light and power supply source for charging of 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:** A daily breakfast and dinner meal or food to prepare a meal (except on hotel upgrades) are included 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 support by phone and WI Way Pilgrim passport, as well as shuttle service 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 discuss with your doctor to see if the tour you choose is appropriate for you.

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