

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje y Dubrovnik from the 14th. September – 21st. September.

4 nights Medjugorje and 3 nights Dubrovnik.

Price €995 (Incl. all airport taxes and charges)

Price includes: Coach from Borris - Dublin Airport & return

Return flight from Dublin to Dubrovnik - depart Dublin 14 September at 07.30hrs, arrive Dubrovnik at 11.45hrs. Return 21st September depart Dubrovnik at 12.30hrs, arrive Dublin at 15.00hrs.

- All transfers – return airport transfers and transfer between Medjugorje and Dubrovnik Four nights half-board guesthouse accommodation in Medjugorje close to St James's church
- Three nights BB in the 4 star hotel Neptun in Dubrovnik in standard rooms City guided tour of Dubrovnik - Elaphite island cruise excursion - Full religious programme in Medjugorje

In 2009 we did this pilgrimage with a group from the Parish and those who travelled thoroughly enjoyed it. Being the extraordinary year of Mercy we decided to repeat this. If you are interested you would need to get your name in with Tully's Travel in Carlow, as soon as possible. We need about 20 people to make it feasible.

Further information from Fr. John or Ann in the Parish office or Donna (059-9136100) in Tully's Travel Carlow.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Catholic Schools Week 2016 at Home

Dear Parents and Families,

All this week, our school will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week. This annual celebration of Catholic education gives us all the opportunity to be more aware of the unique contribution that our Catholic schools make to Irish life. Our theme this year is **Catholic Schools: Challenged to Proclaim God's Mercy**. The theme is a reminder that Pope Francis has proclaimed a Jubilee Year of Mercy that began on 8 December 2015 and will end on 20 November 2016. During this year we are all called to be merciful as God the Father is merciful. This is not an easy task. To be merciful requires us to love unconditionally, to forgive even when we don't believe that forgiveness is deserved. That is why we say that our Catholic schools are places that are challenged to proclaim God's mercy. It acknowledges that it is a difficult thing to do, but reminds us that this is how God wants us to be. At school this week the children and staff are reflecting on how they can be the face of God's mercy to each other and to everyone who is part of the school community. The home is the first place where children learn about God and God's mercy, and that is why you are also invited to think about how you can be the face of God's mercy for all who live in your home and all whom you encounter every day.

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK