

A Flight from Newark to Split

August 27, 2025



Day I: Flight from USA to Croatia

Pilgrims, today, we journey to Croatia.

Rest assured, all necessary preparations for your journey have been made. Just sit back, relax, and enjoy the flight; your spiritual journey begins here.

Before we arrive, let us reflect: What is a pilgrimage, and why is it important? A PILGRIMAGE is more than a travel - it is a sacred journey.



Unlike a vacation, which seeks comfort or pleasure, a pilgrimage seeks healing and transformation. It is a response to a call - God's quiet invitation to leave behind routine and to encounter Him more deeply. You are here for a reason - and the reason is that God has called you to be with Him and His friends (the saints).

Throughout Scripture, God meets His people on the road: Abraham journeyed in faith, Moses led a people through the desert, Mary traveled in haste to share her joy with her cousin Elizabeth, and Jesus walked to Jerusalem, to be with His friends - and ultimately to carry His Cross for us - to save us.

On a pilgrimage, we walk in their footsteps - and the footsteps of so many who have walked the Road, carrying our own prayers, burdens, hopes, and questions. We journey with our feet, but even more with our hearts.

A PILGRIMAGE is important because it's a chance to listen to God in a new way, heal from past wounds we often carry in silence, encounter the lives of the saints and the power of sacred places, be on the journey with our family and friends, and return home... changed, with renewed peace and purpose.

So, as we begin, know this: God has already gone ahead of us. He is waiting for us - in the beauty of Croatia, in the grandeur of Italy, in the stillness of our mind and heart, and in every prayer we make along the way.

Welcome, dear pilgrim.

Your journey begins now.

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