

# Coakley Family Reunion– Ireland Trip August 10<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Day-by-Day Itinerary:

## August 9<sup>th</sup>: Saturday – Departure from US

This evening you board your flight for an overnight transatlantic journey to Ireland. Your journey to the Emerald Isle awaits!

### August 10<sup>th</sup>: Sunday – Arrive in Killarney

This morning, you will arrive at Shannon Airport. Once you have gone through passport control and collected your bags we will board your private coach towards Killarney. On this day the family reunion events will kick off. You will arrive at the hotel to check in. There is a dinner planned later in the evening so you will have free time between check in and the dinner to explore Killarney and meet all your Irish relatives.

#### Free time suggestions in Killarney town could be:



visually impressive!).

If you're a fan of history, head straight for **St. Mary's Cathedral** (you can't miss it!).

Built in the 19th century, it was designed in a Gothic Revival style by Augustus Pugin, an English architect. Construction kicked off in 1842 and finished in 1855. St. Mary's is one of the tallest churches in Ireland, standing at an impressive 280 feet in height. While you're in town if you want to nurse a drink in a bar that'll make you feel like you've stepped back in time, head for Plunkett Street. It's here that you'll find **Courtney's Bar**. Dating back to the *1800s*, it's one of the oldest pubs in Killarney (it's also one of the most

When you walk through its doors, you'll be greeted by a glorious bare wood interior that'll transport you to another world. Sit, sip and soak up the collection of memorabilia that is dotted along every wall.



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#### **Other Irish Pub Recommendations:**

Jimmy Brien's O'Connor's John M. Reidy Murphy's Bar Celtic Whiskey Bar & Larder

Overnight: The Lake Hotel – Location (dinner included)

### August 11th: Monday – Gap of Dunloe



After breakfast, you will visit and take a tour of The Gap of Dunloe. The guided tour will have you ride in jaunting cart through the narrow mountain pass that separates the MacGillycuddy's Reeks Mountain range in the west, from the Purple Mountain Group range in the east. Once you reach the Lough Leane, you'll hop on a boat and cruise across to visit the historical Ross Castle.

The Gap of Dunloe is one of Kerry's most popular tourist destinations on account of its scenery. The Gap of Dunloe was formed 25,000 years ago during Ireland's last ice age as a result of a "glacial breach" where a glacier in the <u>Black Valley</u>, part of the Templenoe Icecap, estimated to be over 500 meters deep, broke through the *Head of the Gap* and moved northwards carving out a <u>U-shaped valley</u>. After this You will have the evening free to relax and get dinner.



**Overnight**: The Lake Hotel – Location (dinner on own)



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## August 12<sup>th</sup>: *Tuesday* – Family Reunion Dinner

After breakfast, you're free for the day to enjoy Killarney's great atmosphere filled with history, shops and pubs. Later in the evening, we gather together for the Coakley Family Reunion. With dinner, drinks and entertainment. It promises to be a very memorable night!

Overnight: The Lake Hotel – Killarney (dinner included)

## August 13<sup>th</sup>: *Tuesday* – Departure

This morning you will bid farewell to Ireland. You will be brought to Shannon International Airport to board your transatlantic back to the USA.

Or

Your trip around Ireland continues if you have decided to stay for the post trip!