



ROMAN CATHOLIC
DIOCESE OF VICTORIA

World Youth Day 2027

Diocese of Victoria

 July 26-August 9, 2027

 World Youth Day, Seoul, South Korea

Trip Overview

Join millions of young Catholics from around the world for a once-in-a-lifetime encounter with Christ, the universal church, and the joy of the global Faith.

What is World Youth Day? (August 2-8, 2027)

World Youth Day (WYD) is a global gathering of young Catholics, founded by St. John Paul II, where pilgrims come together for prayer, catechesis, cultural exchange, and celebration of the faith. Held every few years in a different host country, WYD offers participants the chance to encounter the Pope, experience the vibrancy of the worldwide Church, and deepen their spiritual lives through communal worship and fellowship. It is both a pilgrimage and a festival—joyful, challenging, transformative, and unforgettable.

Days in the Diocese (July 29-August 2, 2027)

Before the main WYD events, pilgrims spend several days hosted by local dioceses throughout the country. This is the heart of the pilgrimage experience—an immersion into parish life, local culture, and the hospitality of the host nation. During Days in the Diocese, our group will join local families, attend parish celebrations, participate in service projects, and share faith with young Catholics from around the world. It's a powerful way to ground the WYD experience in authentic community and spiritual preparation.

WYD Highlights

- **Opening Mass** welcoming pilgrims from every continent
- **Daily Catechesis Sessions** led by bishops from around the world
- **Youth Festival Events** including concerts, testimonies, cultural showcases, and prayer experiences
- **Papal Welcome Ceremony** and **Papal Stations of the Cross**
- **Pilgrimage Walk** to the Vigil site—an iconic WYD tradition
- **Overnight Vigil** under the stars with millions of young Catholics
- **Closing Mass with the Holy Father**

Itinerary

Date	Cat.	Description
Jul 26, 2027	 ▾	Pilgrims arrive in Seoul (Incheon International Airport) by the specified time (TBA) to catch the airport transfer to our accommodations.
	 ▾	We will then check-in at our accommodation, OYO Rooftop Hostel.
	 ▾	The rest of the day is free time.
Jul 27, 2027	 ▾	Breakfast at OYO Rooftop Hostel (included)
	 ▾	Martyrs of Korea Tour. The group will take part in a self-guided tour of Shrines dedicated to the Korean Martyrs, planned and designed by members of our group. Remainder of the day is at your leisure
Jul 28, 2027	 ▾	Breakfast at OYO Rooftop Hostel (included)
	 ▾	Seoul City Day Tour. We will immerse ourselves in Korean tradition with a hanbok experience and explore the majestic Gyeongbokgung Palace. Wander through the historic Bukchon Hanok Village, and browse unique shops on Insadong Street before ending the day with panoramic city views from N Seoul Tower.
Jul 29, 2027	 ▾	Breakfast at OYO Rooftop Hostel (included)
	 ▾	Private coach transfer to Days in the Diocese city, Chuncheon. Upon your arrival, you will meet your host parish. Simple accommodations: Gym/parish hall floors, homestays.
Jul 30, 2027 - Aug 2, 2027	 ▾	Days in the Diocese: Throughout the week, you will participate in activities that will immerse you in the Catholic culture of Korea such as volunteer activities, meals, parties, culture-share.
Aug 2, 2027	 ▾	We will be picked-up by our private coach in the morning and will return to Seoul for World Youth Day. The group will be dropped off at our accommodation, G Guesthouse Itaewon.
	 ▾	7-night stay at G Guesthouse Itaewon.
	 ▾	Evening at leisure.
Aug 3, 2027	 ▾	Breakfasts, lunches, and dinners are included for the remainder of this itinerary.
	 ▾	Youth Festival Begins - Visit museums, attend concerts, watch shows. All are included in the WYD access passes.

		Reconciliation Park and Vocations Fair Begins: Pilgrims are invited to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the Park and to learn more about religious orders at the vocations fair.
	 ▾	Opening Mass: WYD begins with an opening Mass presided over by the local Ordinary of the host Diocese. Ends with Mass.
Aug 4, 2027	 ▾	Catechesis: Led by Bishops from around the world.
	 ▾	Youth Festival, Reconciliation Park, Vocations Fair
Aug 5, 2027		Catechesis, Youth Festival, Reconciliation Park, Vocations Fair.
	 ▾	Papal Welcome Ceremony: The Holy Father arrives in Seoul and leads a prayer service.
Aug 6, 2027		Catechesis, Youth Festival, Reconciliation Park, Vocations Fair.
	 ▾	Via Crucis: The Pope and pilgrims gather to meditate the Way of the Cross.
Aug 7, 2027	 ▾	Pilgrimage to Vigil Site. Pilgrims will walk to the venue for the Closing Mass. In the evening, the Holy Father will lead Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction before settling in to spend the night there.
Aug 8, 2027		Closing Mass. The Pope celebrates Sunday Mass with the pilgrims. After the Mass, the Pope will announce the host of the next WYD.
		Pilgrims then return to their accommodation site.
Aug 9, 2027	 ▾	After breakfast, pilgrims will be picked up from G Guesthouse Itaewon and be brought back to Incheon International Airport for their flight home.
	 ▾	Return flight to Victoria (self-booked)

Price

Land and WYD Package Price	\$2,300/person CAD
Book-your-own Airfare	Est. \$1,800 CAD
TOTAL	EST. \$4,100/person CAD

Payment Schedule

Initial Down Payment - August 31, 2026	\$800 /person
Deposit - October 23, 2026	\$750 /person
Book-your-own Airfare	Est. \$1,800 CAD*
Deposit - March 31, 2027	\$750 /person

*Airfare pricing will not be released until mid-August. This package is estimated using 2026 airfare rates, so final pricing may change once airlines publish 2027 fares.

Trip Inclusions and Exclusions

✓ Inclusions

Chaplain: Fr Joseph Yuson

Land Package:

- Accommodation at Oyo Rooftop Hostel, July 26-29 (3 nights) with daily breakfast included.
- Accommodation at G Guesthouse Itaewon, August 2-9 (7 nights) with daily breakfast included
- Private vehicle transfers (Airport and inter-city transfers)
- Full-day Seoul City Day tour with private English-speaking guide WITH PRIVATE VEHICLE, Hanbok & City Views (July 28, 2027).
- WYD backpack pick-up and delivery service

World Youth Day Fees:

- Simple Accommodations for Days in the Diocese, July 29-August 2.
- Meals from July 30-August 8.
- Access to WYD and DID events
- Public Transit Passes
- Pilgrim Backpack

✗ Exclusions

- Travel insurance, visas, and passport fees
- Personal expenses
- Tips and gratuities
- Meals not specified in the itinerary Items not specifically listed under "Tour Price Includes"