



## **Young Adults Pilgrimage to Iona June 9<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> 2021**

This pilgrimage is an opportunity to engage with the founding story and contemporary reality of the Iona Community. It is particularly aimed at, but not exclusive to, young adults. Our route is deliberately chosen to enable us to engage with some of the key places in our story as a Community (Govan, Faslane, Camas), and we will also be attending to the footsteps of those saints before us, such as Columba and Conan. We will be joined by Community Members at points, either en route or in the evening, and so the pilgrimage will enable us to explore what it means to live the Rule of the Community today.

The pilgrimage will begin in Govan, Glasgow, on Wednesday June 9<sup>th</sup>, St Columba's Day. Over the course of 11 days we will walk via Faslane, Dalmally, Oban, Camas, arriving at Fionnphort on Saturday June 20<sup>th</sup>. We will spend the Sunday on the island, before leaving on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>. Pilgrims are welcome for all or part of the journey.

Mileage will vary from 8-14 miles and pilgrims can take a ride in the support vehicle, whilst still feeling part of the journey. Accommodation will be varied, but will essentially be camping – inside or outside. Tents and luggage will be carried by a support vehicle.

The subsidised cost of the full pilgrimage for 18-30 year olds is within the range £100-150. Please give as you feel able, but we can reduce this further if this is a barrier. For pilgrims 30+ years the (full) cost of the pilgrimage is £300-400; again, give contribute as you feel able. This cost covers all transport between Glasgow and Iona, all meals and all accommodation. For pilgrims who are only planning on joining for part, costs will be reduced accordingly.

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## Detailed Route and Accommodation:

		Approx Mileage
Tue June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Pilgrim Gathering at Carlton Place, 6pm. Accommodation with Members and Friends.	
Weds June 9 <sup>th</sup>	Gather at Govan Old Parish Church, 10am Departure. Cross on ferry and walk out of Glasgow along the Canal. Arrive Dumbarton, minibus to Bungie's Church in Helensburgh.	12
Thu June 10 <sup>th</sup>	Minibus back to Dumbarton, depart 10am. Walk via Helensburgh to Faslane, arriving 4pm, minibus pick-up. Second night in Church Hall at Helensburgh.	13
Fri June 11 <sup>th</sup>	Minibus back to Faslane, depart 10am. Walk out through Gairlochhead, along road and forest paths to Arrochar. Camp at Glenloin House.	12
Sat June 12 <sup>th</sup>	Short walk across to Tarbet, for 11.30am ferry across to Inversnaid. Walk along Lochside (WH Way) up to Inverarnan. Camp at Inverarnan.	8
Sun June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Take Hydro Road up Glen nan Caorann, then follow the Allt a Mhinn upstream to shoulder, and down Allt a Charorainn, entering forest by gate, following track under pylons for a mile before taking track down to Succoch Lodge, and on to the road into Dalmally. Camping/Stay at Craig Lodge, Family House of Prayer.	13
Mon June 14 <sup>th</sup>	Depart 10am, out via Stronmilchan, up and over to Glen Noe. Along Loch Etive into Taynuilt. Camp at Crunachy Camping and Caravan Park.	13
Tue June 15 <sup>th</sup>	Depart 10am, minor road along Glen Lonan and down into Oban. Minibus pick-up and Camp at Gallanachmore, south of Oban	12
Wed June 16 <sup>th</sup>	9.50am Ferry from Oban to Craignure. Via Torosay to Lochdon, and on along roads (?) to Kinlochspelve. Minibus back to camp/stay with Liz and Martin Gibson.	10
Thu June 17 <sup>th</sup>	Minibus drop-off, depart Kinlochspelve 10am, along roads to Lochbuie and coastal track to Carsaig. Minibus pick-up and stay at Ardtun with Wendy&John Lloyd.	8
Fri June 18 <sup>th</sup>	Depart Carsaig 10am, coastal track, then up Nun's Pass, thence along cliff top above Carsaig Arches and forest path into Bunessan. Second night with Wendy&John Lloyd.	10
Sat June 19 <sup>th</sup>	Depart Bunessan 10am, roads and track down to Camas. Then track and roads, new path from Creich into Fionnaphort. Stay at Fidden Campsite.	9
Sun Jun 20 <sup>th</sup>	Sabbath Day on Iona, with Morning Communion. Second night at Fidden Campsite.	0
Mon Jun 21 <sup>st</sup>	Disperse/Depart with minibus returning to Glasgow.	