

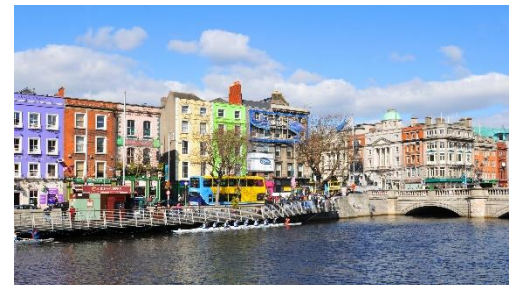
Lynch Family Reunion Ireland – June 13-20, 2024

Dublin – Kinsale – Ballybunion

Day 1 - June 13th: Depart USA

Day 2 - June 14th: Arrive in Dublin

Arrive at Dublin Airport and take our private transfer to Trinity City Hotel. Rooms may not be ready, but we can enjoy breakfast before we head out to explore the city. To begin our day, we will take a *panoramic tour of Dublin City* exploring some of Dublin's famous attractions, engage you with the lively history of the city and point out some of the best local restaurants. We will then make our way to Trinity College where we will see the infamous *'Book of Kells'* at the Long Room Library – an illuminated religious manuscript from the medieval period. Here, we will visit the book, explore Trinity College's famed Old Library, and examine Celtic artifacts at the National Museum of Ireland, revealing how the light of learning shined brightly in Ireland during the Dark Ages. Later, we will gather for dinner together and enjoy a typical friendly Irish welcome this evening.



Overnight & Dinner: Dublin – Trinity Hotel



Day 3 - June 15th: 1916 Easter Rising Tour

This morning after breakfast, we will take part in a *1916 Rising tour* with Lorcan Collins. Having read *Pat Coogan's book 1916: The Easter Rising*, we have learned how significant this was in Irish history. The Easter Rising of 1916 was the most dramatic event in the history of Ireland's struggle for independence from the British Empire. The executions of the leaders after the Rising awakened a generation to the cause of Irish freedom, resulting in the War of

Independence, the formation of the Irish Free State and as a result the Irish Civil War. Afterwards, we will hop on a bus where we will visit the **GPO and Kilmainham Jail**. The GPO is significantly relative to 1916 as it served as the headquarters of the leaders of the Easter Rising against British Rule in Ireland. Many of these Irish revolutionaries, including the leaders were imprisoned and executed in Kilmainham Jail by the orders of the UK Government. We will have the afternoon to enjoy at your own discretion and have dinner on your own this evening.

Overnight: Dublin – Trinity Hotel

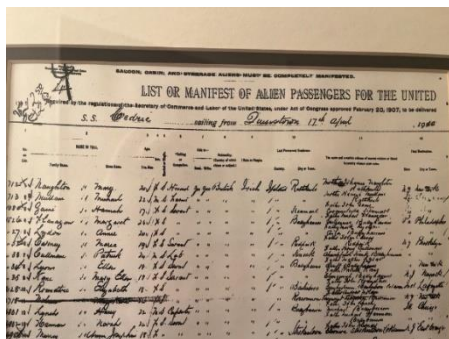
Day 4 – June 16th: Optional Mass & Guinness Storehouse

After a hearty Irish breakfast this morning, you may wish to attend mass **St Teresa’s Church** on Clarendon St. where you can enjoy a pleasurable mass together this morning. After this, we will make our way to one of Ireland’s most famous landmarks - **The Guinness Storehouse**. This historical site is central to Dublin's and Ireland's heritage and has been continually updated to create a blend of fascinating industrial tradition with a contemporary edge. The seven floors bring to life the rich heritage of Guinness, telling the story from its origins at St. James's Gate in Dublin to its growth as a global brand, known all around the world. When you reach the 7th floor enjoy a pint of the ‘Black Stuff’ in the Gravity Bar while taking in the breath-taking panoramic 360° views of Dublin city and beyond. Feel free to spend the afternoon enjoying the Gravity Bar before we gather this evening for dinner and a hooley show at the famous **Johnnie Fox’s pub** in Wicklow!



Overnight & Dinner: Dublin – Trinity Hotel

Day 5 – June 17th: Dublin – Cobh – Kinsale



We will depart Dublin today after breakfast and continue our journey to the **historic port and fishing town of Kinsale**. On route we will stop briefly for lunch before continuing to the port town of Cobh on route. It is from this town that over 2.5 million Irish people emigrated including **our ancestor Henry Harry Lynch in 1910. He traveled on the White Star Line’s ship US Cedric**. Can you find his name on the ships manifest. Many emigrants have attended mass at the beautiful Cathedral overlooking the port prior to their departure. Cobh was also the last port from which the Titanic left on April 11th, 1912. You may want to visit the **Cobh Heritage Museum** or the **Titanic**

Experience after the walking tour. Then we continue to Kinsale where you will have a free evening to spend as you wish after we check into our hotel.

Overnight: Kinsale – Actons Hotel

Day 7 – June 18th: Kinsale – Ballybunion

After breakfast this morning, we will continue our journey to **Ballybunion** where we will enjoy this beautiful coastal town for the next two nights. Upon arrival, we will check into our hotel before exploring



the area and its many beautiful coastlines. You may wish to book a tee time and enjoy an afternoon of golf along Ireland's Wild Atlantic Way on one of the top courses in the country – ***Ballybunion Golf Club***. This evening we will enjoy dinner together at the hotel.

Overnight & Dinner: Ballybunion – Kilcooly Country House

Day 8 – June 19th: Mass and Family Heritage Sites

This morning after breakfast, we will visit ***St John's Catholic Church*** where we will enjoy mass together before touring some of our many family heritage sites located around the town. This afternoon you can visit ***Foynes Flying Boat and Maritime Museum***. Travel back to the 1930s and '40s, when Foynes played a pivotal role in establishing commercial transatlantic passenger flights. Learn the history of Flying Boats and the diverse range of people who arrived and departed from Foynes through this comprehensive collection of historical and interactive exhibits and memorabilia. Alternatively, head to ***Listowel*** where you will enjoy a fun-filled afternoon shopping, or take a walk down the main thoroughfare where you will see the many beautiful boutiques the town has to offer.



This evening, we gather for a ***farewell dinner at Ballybunion Golf Course*** to enjoy our last evening together in Ireland.

Overnight & Dinner: Ballybunion – Kilcooly Country House

Day 9 – June 20th: Depart Ireland

Pack your bags as we head for Shannon Airport where you will board your flight home. Carry on your photos and memories and bring a bit of the Emerald Isle home with you. 'The Land of One Hundred Welcomes' will be expecting you again!