## St Abbán's Cosán — Route Guide

- 1 Church of the Sloe/Cill Áirne ... St. Mary's, Church of Ireland,
  - \*\* ... cross road, down Tuathail's Lane ... Left of Town Hall Building, to ...
- 2 St. Mary's Holy Well/Lady's Well ...
  - \*\* ... on to Beech/Mission Road, near gate to Killarney Gardens to ...
- 3 Monsignor Hugh O'Flaherty (1898 1963) ...
  - \*\* ... proceed along Mission Road, 100 yards ... to the Right ...
- 4 Mission Road / Commemorative Garden ...
  - \*\* ... onwards to the Left at the gate entrance to Killarney National Park to ...
- 5 White Steed of O'Donoghue of Ross Sculpture ...
  - \*\*... continue through to the Gateway onto the Demense, turn **Right** and **Right** again over the Deenagh River via King's Bridge on upwards to Deenagh Thatched Cottage ...
- 6 Deenagh Thatched Cottage/Killarney National Park ...
  - \*\* ... 'little diversion' ... **Right** past the Main Gate of the Demesne opposite the Cathedral ... at that stage, turn sharp for 20 yards to the ...
- 7 World Ploughing Championships Memorial (1954), Killarney.
  - \*\*... continue back to gate entrance to the National Park ...
  - St Mary's Cathedral on the Right ... and the Cathedral Complex a/b/c ...
- a... Presentation Convent...b... Presentation Monastery...c... Bishop's House & St. Brendan's College...
  - \*\* ... continue for 100 yards to New Road, turn Left to Port Road Junction to ...
- 9 Red Stag Wooden Sculpture ...
  - \*\*... turn Left, opposite the Traffic Lights along the Fossa Way Track,
  - \*\*... from Deenagh Cottage turn Right, up the hill and to the Left ...
- 10 Knockreer House ...
  - \*\* on Left, past Farm Buildings and continuing to Gate & Cattle-grid with sign 'Holy Well'/Mochudda ...
  - \*\* bear sharp Left over grassy horse track, 250 yards to gate/stile into wood, sharp Right, 30 yds to ...
- 11 Cloch Mochudda ... this is the trickiest part !!! ... will have a waymarker ???
  - \*\*... continue along track downwards for 150 yards ... toward a fork on the path ... take a **Right turn in woods, along a 'horse path' for** 200 yards, to two open gates leading out to open field. If you look northwards across the field you can see a **gate** ... 500 yards away. This is the continuation of the horse path ... but keep **Right** upwards along this path up to 10 yards (drier option) ... as the surface can be soft and boggy.
  - \*\*... at the gate turn sharp Right, up an incline for 30 yards ... see a Well with cut stone and steps on the Left with circular metal fencing ...
- 12 Prospect Well/Holy Well/Tobar Abbáin?...
  - \*\*... straight uphill from the Well, onto grassy slope ... you'll see the horse path again but continue uphill to the Viewing Point ... with wooden seat under a tree ...
- 13 This view is one of the finest views of Killarney Lakes ... of Loch Léin etc.
  - \*\*... behind Viewing Point, past small foot grid/gate, continue by the side of Knockreer Hill. ... cross over the Fossa Way to horses track which will take you to Main Road N72 ... Careful crossing !!! ... traffic from both sides !!! ... Cúramach!
  - \*\* ... past the riding stables on the right ... straight along to ...
- **14 Botharín na Marbh** ... **on approach** to the top of Botharín na Marbh lies ...
- 15 Aghadoe Churchyard ... Careful again as traffic on both sides !!! ...

See Option! ... Before approach to road there is a **Stile on Right** on Church wall.

This is the climax of **Cosán Naomh Abbáin**... Abbán's Pilgrim Path

## Option ...

**Backtrack down Bótharín na Marbh** ... cross Main Road N 72 ... toward the Fossa Way ... turn Left, to the walkway at Port Road and Left to Pedestrian Crossing at Ballydowney Roundabout ... To St. Margaret's Road continuing to St. Anne's Road ... This will interlink with the original Pilgrim's Path at No. 17 ... **St Columbanus' Home** ... then continue toward **Marian Grotto** No. 18 ... **St. Finan's Hospital** No. 19 and complete the Path ... No. 39.

Ogham Stone ... Aghadoe Ogham ... BRRUANANN

- **N.B.** \*\* ... one can access to **Aghadoe Viewing Point** via Parkavonear Castle pathway ... on to the field opposite Aghadoe Heights Hotel ...
- 16 Viewing Point / Mapboard in Aghadoe ...
  - \*\* ... from the Viewing Point turn Right for the eastern route to Killarney. Continue for 1.5 Miles ... past Killarney Holiday Village entrance ... continue for 30 yards, sharp Right at Birch Hill opposite Madam's Hill road ... down a slip road to the Tralee/Killarney N22. At the bottom of the hill turn Right, onto the footpath ... to 'Failte Killarney' plaque, Twinning signs, over the Deenagh River and to the Cleeney Roundabout ... take the Lidl crossing to the Reeks shopping complex and Deenagh Medical Centre ... continue to St. Columbanus' Home on the Right ...
- 17 St. Columbanus' Home ...
  - \*\* ... cross over St. Margaret's Road continue on to Marian Grotto on Right ...
- 18 Marian Grotto ... on to the Left
- 19 St. Finan's Hospital ...
  - \*\* ... continue onwards and on the Right ...
- 20 Old Mercy Convent ...
  - \*\* opposite the John Paul II Pastoral Centre, Old Mercy National School on the Left ...
- 21 Killarney Library (Leabharlann Chiarraí) ...
  - \*\* ... continue Left near the green and the top of High Street ...
- 22 Republican Memorial ...
- \*\*... on **Left**; continue up **St. Anne's Road**, to roundabout of **Lewis Road** continue to the **Right** towards College Street ... halfway down Lewis Road you will find two Pillars on the **Left** reading ...
- 23 Moyeighteragh ... 'lower plain' ...
  - At the end of that road turn left to College Street, turn Left at Fair Hill to the Friary.
  - \*\* ... continue past the Áras Pádraigh on Left, toward College Street Roundabout, turn Left for 50 yards...
- 24 Killarney Franciscan Friary ... opposite the Friary see ...
- 25 Spéirbhean Sculpture ... Near Outlet Centre ...
  - ... close to the metal Stag Sculpture on the Courthouse side is Dawning of the Day.
  - \*\* ... opposite the Railway Station ...
- 26 Bronze Stag Sculpture ...
- 27 Killarney Courthouse & Poblacht na hÉireann ...
  - \*\* ... **Right** of the Killarney Outlet Centre ...
- 28 Killarney Railway Station & The Great Southern Hotel ...
  - \*\* ... from the Hotel and Railway station junction see on Left ...
- 29 Annals of Inisfallen ... wooden sculpture.
  - \*\* ... next on the **Left** the ...
- 30 Anam ... Killarney Arts and Culture Centre ...
  - \*\* ... past the Killarney Park Hotel to the **Left** ...
- 31 'Cinema Killarney' ...
  - \*\* ... **round the corner** to the **Left** the ...
- 32 Royal Munster Fusilier Memorial ...
  - \*\* ... continue past Killarney Avenue Hotel ...
- 33 Methodist Church ...
  - \*\* ... cross road via the 'Golden Gates', entrance to ...
- 34 Killarney House and Gardens ...
  - \*\* ... back from Killarney House entrance, Left around corner ...
- 35 Johnny O'Leary (1923-2004) Sculpture ...
  - \*\* ... on the **opposite side** ...
- 36 Statue of Christ the King ...
- 37 The Jarveys at The Haha ...
  - \*\* ... take a diversion ...
- 38 White-Tailed Eagle ... on Main Street ...
- 39 \*\* ... return to the Church of the Sloes ... Your Pilgrim's Path is Complete