



Public Transport Information for the Visit of Pope Francis for World Meeting of Families on Sunday 26 August 2018

Dublin Bus

- Dublin Bus has the capacity to provide up to 400,000 journeys on 26 August.
- Full Fleet of 1,000 buses will be in service on Sunday 26 August.
- In addition to the normal service, 360 buses will be used to service 7 dedicated transport hubs throughout the city bringing people as close as possible to the Phoenix Park.
- Over 1,500 drivers and 100 additional support staff will be scheduled for the day. These will include engineering employees, Chief Inspectors and customer service staff.

Luas

- Luas will provide capacity for c. 73,700 passenger journeys on Sunday 26 August across Luas Red and Green Lines. The capacity for the Red Line is c. 35,700 and the Green Line is c. 38,000.
- All available trams and staff will be working on the day.
- Luas will be operating to frequencies of 6-10 minutes on the Red Line and 8-10 minutes on the Green Line.

Iarnród Éireann

- Iarnród Éireann will provide capacity for 250,000 journeys on Sunday 26 August across Intercity, DART and Commuter services.
- Over 250 train services will operate timed to meet demand from those travelling to and from the Phoenix Park event, from over 130 stations around the network.
- The Ashtown shuttle from Connolly Station will bring people in close proximity to the Phoenix Park, the M3 Parkway/Maynooth lines will also run to Navan Road Parkway Station, which is also a short walk to the park.

Bus Éireann

- Over 30,000 passenger journeys can be made on the day on Bus Éireann.
- 350 drivers involved on the day.
- Overall capacity on Bus Éireann services is expected to increase by almost 100%.
- Capacity on Expressway (Intercity) services to and from Dublin City will increase by over 38% with over 4,500 seats available in each direction pre and post the event.
- Almost 800 trips being operated by Commuter & Intercity services.

Go-Ahead

- Will be providing over 6000 passenger journeys.
- The vehicles will carry the new Transport for Ireland bus livery.

Translink

- Translink will be operating their normal services and special services to increase capacity in Bus and Rail for the Papal Event. Coach hire is also available for groups. Please visit www.translink.co.uk/popeinireland/ for further details.

Commercial Bus Operators

- The NTA will communicate with all private operators who run scheduled services into the city centre. NTA will advise them of the road closures and route restrictions for the Saturday and Sunday and where they can drop and pick up customers.
- Private coach operators bringing people to the event will have to register their coach and will be allocated a dedicated space in a coach park. Private coaches may register here <https://eventgen.ie/phoenix-park-final-mass-private-coach-operators>