A GUIDE TO

FOOTBALL WEEKEND EVENTS

GAMEDAY

SEPT. 16
2:30PM

NOTRE DAME STADIUM

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GAME 02
SATURDAY

2023
WELCOME TO ALL!

Welcome to the University of Notre Dame!

Whether you are a lifelong fan of the Fighting Irish, a friend visiting campus for the first time, a proud parent experiencing gameday with your student, an alum reconnecting with fellow Domers at your annual tailgate, or a guest of Central Michigan University, we welcome you and hope you have a memorable time at Our Lady’s University.

This guide will help you find places to eat, great photo opportunities, how to attend Mass, and so much more. Here’s what you need to know to get the most out of your gameday experience:

• Go cashless: ND is a cashless campus. Use credit cards, Apple Pay or Android Pay, and download the GrubHub app for shopping and dining.

• Download the Fighting Irish app: Explore athletics content, live score updates, ticket management & more.

• Visit the Experience Notre Dame website: Check out the latest event schedule and find out what to eat, where to shop, and what to explore on campus.

GO IRISH!

FRIDAY [9.15.23]

Please note: all dates, times, and events listed in this publication are subject to change. For a complete list of events and an up-to-date schedule, please reference the Experience Notre Dame QR code on page 2.

10 a.m.  Friday Tunnel Experience, Notre Dame Stadium, Fans have the opportunity to walk down the iconic North Tunnel of the stadium. There is a $10 entry fee and all proceeds benefit the Rockne Athletics Fund. All season ticket holders and members of the Rockne Athletics Fund green level and above are granted free admission by presenting their respective membership card. More information and pre-sale of tickets can be found at: fightingirish.com/stadium-experiences. Notre Dame Stadium, Sales end at 2 p.m. and gates close at 2:30 p.m.

11 a.m.  Football Fridays at the Eck presented by Guinness, Join Fighting Irish fans for live music, tailgate food, interviews with Notre Dame celebrities, and so much more! Eck Visitors Center, until 5 p.m.

11:30 a.m.  Notre Dame Bagpipe Band, in front of the Main Building, until noon

12 p.m.   Campus Green Tour (Free Ticketed Event), Join the Office of Sustainability for a walk around campus to experience the beauty of Notre Dame. Participants will learn about some of the sustainability initiatives and investments happening at the University. Register at green.nd.edu/events. East Entrance of the Walsh Architecture Building, until 1 p.m.

12 p.m.  Innovation Rally, Join us for the IDEA Center’s Innovation Rally, including a complimentary lunch, a showcase of Notre Dame and community startups, and great networking., IDEA Center, until 1:30 p.m.

12:30 p.m.  Unshackled: Freeing America’s K-12 Education System, Join the Center for Citizenship and Constitutional Government in hosting ND alumna Kate Hardiman Rhodes ’17; she will introduce her new book, Unshackled: Freeing America’s K-12 Education System. Lecture begins at 12:30 with lunch available at noon. Oak Room (South Dining Hall), until 1:45 p.m.

1:30 p.m.  Chalk Talk with Bill Reagan, Insights and analysis for tomorrow’s matchup with Central MI. Former Irish assistant coach Bill Reagan will break down the X’s and O’s and key match-ups and take questions from the audience. Eck Visitors Center Auditorium, until 2:30 p.m.

2 p.m.   Inspired Leadership Initiative (ILI) Open House, ILI is for accomplished individuals from all disciplines who have completed their chosen careers and wish to embark on a process of discovering, discerning and designing who they want to be in the next stage of their lives. Stop by to connect with staff, current fellows, and alumni to learn more. Refreshments will be provided. 329 DeBartolo Hall, until 3 p.m.

3:30 p.m.  Thunder from the Sky Organ Concert, Basilica organists will be “pulling out all the stops” in brief 15 minute recitals that are sure to shake the rafters! The concerts will conclude with a rousing singing of the Alma Mater led by the mighty Murdy Family Pipe Organ. Basilica of the Sacred Heart, until 3:45 p.m.
FRIDAY CONTINUED [9.15.23]

3:30 p.m. Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything (FREE TICKETED EVENT), Presented by Steve Levitt as part of the Thomas H. Quinn Lecture Series. Levitt co-authored Freakonomics, which spent over two years on the New York Times Best Seller list and has sold more than 4 million copies worldwide. SuperFreakonomics, released in 2009, includes research on topics from terrorism to prostitution to global warming. Steve is also the co-author of the popular Freakonomics blog. Leighton Concert Hall, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, until 5 p.m.

3:30 p.m. Book Signings: Fr. Khaled Anatolios, Feasts for the Kingdom: Sermons for the Liturgical Year; Deborah Dell, Objects in the Rearview Mirror: A Social History of Coeducation Under the Dome, Meet Deborah A. Dell—a member of the first class of undergraduate women admitted to Notre Dame in 1972—and be inspired by over 150 contributors to Objects in the Rearview Mirror, a book documenting the transformative path of coeducation beginning in the fall of 1972; Timmy O’Neill, Every Play Every Day, the book takes you on the intimate journey of former Notre Dame tailback Timmy O’Neill, who, at 5’ 6”, and 165 lbs, wasn’t the prototypical Division I college football player. Experience the journey from the dorm room to the classroom, from the locker room to the training room, and everywhere in between. This book details the lessons learned through O’Neill’s five years as a Notre Dame walk-on, and shows what can happen to anyone who refuses to accept the limitations imposed by others. Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore, until 5:30 p.m.

4 p.m. MVP Fridays | Ed Yong: “Can stories of science create a more empathetic world?” Join us for a conversation with Ed Yong, journalist for The Atlantic and author of An Immense World. Catered reception and book signing to follow. Co-sponsors: College of Science, Eck Institute for Global Health, Gallivan Program in Journalism, Ethics, and Democracy. Geddes Hall, Andrews Auditorium, 6 p.m.

4 p.m. Mid-Day Drummer’s Circle, in front of the Main Building, until 4:10 p.m.

4:10 p.m. Trumpets at the Dome, in front of the Main Building, until 4:20 p.m.

4:30 p.m. Band March Out to Rehearsal, Main Building front steps, until 4:45 p.m.

4:45 p.m. Marching Band Open Rehearsal, Ricci Family Fields, until 5:30 p.m.

5 p.m. Glee Club Open Rehearsal, O’Neill Hall, until 5:30 p.m.

5 p.m. Bagpiper on the Wind Family Fireside Terrace, Morris Inn, until 5:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Volleyball vs. Toledo, Admission is free, Joyce Center

7 p.m. Women’s Soccer vs. Wake Forest, Admission is free, Alumni Stadium

7:15 p.m. Men’s Rugby vs. Marian University, Admission is free, Stinson Field

11:59 p.m. Midnight Drummer’s Circle, Main Building front steps, until 12:30 a.m.

SATURDAY [9.16.23]

10 a.m. Book Signing, Frank Pomarico, Ara’s Knights, Former Notre Dame captain Frank Pomarico shares with readers what it was like to play for legendary coach Ara Parseghian. The book culminates with the 1973 Sugar Bowl, the climactic and memorable game between Bear Bryant’s undefeated Alabama squad and Ara’s undefeated Fighting Irish. Pomarico’s story is amplified by interviews with dozens of former players and coaches whose lives were changed by their experience with the coach. Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore, until 11 a.m.

10 a.m. ABC57 Pregame Show, Featuring updates and insights on the game, players, coaches, etc. Joyce Center Gate 8, until noon

10 a.m. Gipper’s Opening prior to Kickoff, Normally only open late night on Fridays and Saturdays, Gipper’s is opening while the sun is still up! No delivery during these special hours. Order in person via kiosks or via Grubhub mobile app. South side of South Dining Hall, until 2 p.m.

10 a.m. Knights of Columbus Steak Sale Tailgate, The Knights of Columbus Steak Sale Tailgate has been a gameday tradition since 1968. The tailgate, which features steak sandwiches, chips, drinks, and a variety of merchandise, is hosted by student members of the ND Knights of Columbus. 100% of the proceeds support charities in the South Bend community. Knights of Columbus Council Hall, until 2 p.m.

10 a.m. Gameday Celebration at Morris Inn, Live Music, the Rohr’s Food Truck and walk-up bars help guests celebrate the home game. Wind Family Fireside Terrace at Morris Inn, until 2 p.m.

10:30 a.m. Bagpipe Band, Main Building, until 11 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Saturdays with the Saints, Join us for a lecture series that combines the University’s rich traditions of Catholic faith and spirited game days. The theme of this year’s series is “A Season with Our Lady.” Geddes Hall Andrews Auditorium, until 11:30 a.m.

11 a.m. This Is How We Brew It: The Science of Fermentation, Fermenting a formula that eventually turns into an icy cold beer starts with chemistry. From flavor to carbonation, discover how your favorite brew began its journey in a lab. 101 Jordan Hall of Science, until noon

11:30 a.m. Gameday at Legends (Ticketed Event), Head to Legends of Notre Dame on gameday for great food and drinks in the restaurant and bar from 11 a.m. – 10 p.m. (bar closes at 11 p.m.). A reservation-only buffet is also available on the club side from 11:30 a.m. to kick-off. Tickets are $55 (ages 18+) and $25 (ages 10-17). Kids 9 and under are free. Visit legends.nd.edu for tickets. Legends of Notre Dame

11:30 a.m. ND Glee Club in Revue, Library Quad, until noon
Explore Your Faith with the Notre Dame Family

Pray with Daily Gospel Reflections in your inbox.
Share a prayer card from campus.
Request a prayer from the Grotto.
Make an online pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

faith.nd.edu

MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS
Basilica Crypt: 11:30 a.m.

SATURDAY
Leighton Concert Hall at DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, Basilica, and Residence Hall Mass (Baumer, Dillon, Keough, Ryan, Sorin): 30 minutes after the game

SUNDAY
Basilica: 8 a.m.; 10 a.m.; Noon; 3:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Scan here for more ways to pray

ADDITIONAL PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

CONFESSIONS
Basilica Crypt: 10 - 11 a.m.

GAME DAY ROSARY
Basilica: 4 p.m.

SUNDAY CONTINUED [9.16.23]

11:30 a.m. Victory March (Notre Dame Player Walk), Fans can gather for the Victory March as Coach Freeman and the Fighting Irish march from the Basilica of the Sacred Heart into Notre Dame Stadium. This festive event begins with a Glee Club concert at 11:30 a.m., followed by performances from the Cheer Team, Bagpipe Band, and Notre Dame Band. The event concludes with Coach Freeman leading the team through Library Quad at 12:15 p.m.

11:30 a.m. Book Signing, Rich Cacioppe, Black Knights and Fighting Irish, For 33 years, the football rivalry between the U.S. Military Academy and Notre Dame provided countless thrills to fans across the country. Yet both schools decided to end the series at the peak of its popularity, after the 1946 game that many consider to be the “Game of the Century.” Get your copy signed by author Richard Cacioppe! Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore, until 1:30 p.m.

11:30 a.m. Meijer Gameday Event, Come for yard games, photo opportunities, food sampling, and Notre Dame and Meijer branded giveaways. Joyce Center Gate 9E, until 2:30 p.m.

12 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting, Hosted by Mary Greene and the Alumni Association on home football game days. This event is available to the public. Hesburgh Library Room 125, until 1 p.m.

12 p.m. Wind Family Fireside Terrace Tailgate, Enjoy live music from Game Day Gold, walk-up bar service, and delicious eats from the Rohr’s Food Truck. Wind Family Fireside Terrace at Morris Inn, until midnight

12 p.m. Bagpipe Band, Main Building, until 12:30 p.m.

12:30 p.m. Trumpets at the Dome, in front of the Main Building, until 12:45 p.m.

12:30 p.m. Credit Union 1 Game Day Event, Come and take a picture with the iconic Notre Dame gold helmet worn by the Notre Dame Fighting Irish football team. Joyce Center Gate 9W, until 2:30 p.m.

1 p.m. Concert on the Steps, Bond Quad, until 1:30 p.m.

1:45 p.m. Marching Band March Out, Main Quad

2:10 p.m. Marching Band Pregame Show, Notre Dame Stadium


4:30 p.m. South Dining Hall Candlelight Dinner, Hawaiian-themed buffet featuring grilled mahi mahi, Kalua pork, chicken long rice, King’s Hawaiian Rolls and so much more. South Dining Hall, closes 2 hours after the game ends

4:30 p.m. North Dining Hall Tailgate Dinner, Gameday buffet featuring Coney dogs — originated in Detroit; Frankenmuth Chicken, a Bavarian spin on classic fried chicken traditionally served in a small Michigan town known as “Little Bavaria,” and German dumplings served with local Michigan apples. North Dining Hall, closes 2 hours after the game ends
**CAMPUS LANDMARKS**

**BASILICA OF THE SACRED HEART | “BASILICA” OR “BASILICA CRYPT”**
Consecrated on August 15, 1888, it was elevated to the rank of Minor Basilica on January 17, 1992. Neo-gothic in style, the Basilica is home to the largest collection of 19th-Century French stained glass in the world, as well as the oldest carillon in North America. It was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1978. The Basilica Crypt refers to the lower level of the Basilica.

**CHAPLAIN CORBY OF GETTYSBURG SCULPTURE | “FAIR CATCH CORBY”**
The 109-year-old sculpture, with its right hand raised in blessing, commemorates the moment on July 2, 1863, when Civil War chaplain Rev. William Corby, C.S.C., of the 88th New York Infantry of the Irish Brigade and future Notre Dame president, gave general absolution to both Union and Confederate troops during the Battle of Gettysburg.

**CLARKE MEMORIAL FOUNTAIN | “STONEHENGE”**
The fountain stands as a tribute to those men and women who served in World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and during times of peace. Within the memorial’s center, another fountain sits atop a sphere, representing the Earth.

**GROTTO OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES | “THE GROTTO”**
The Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes is one-seventh the size of the famed French shrine where the Virgin Mary appeared to Saint Bernadette on 18 occasions in 1858. Gifted by Rev. Thomas Carroll in 1896, boulders from surrounding farms, most weighing two tons or more, were used in its construction. A small piece of stone from the original grotto in France is located on the right-hand side of the shrine directly below the statue of Mary. Outdoor Masses are celebrated regularly; and the Rosary is prayed every day of the year at 6:45 p.m., rain or shine.

**HESBURGH LIBRARY | “TOUCHDOWN JESUS”**
Unveiled in 1964, the “Word of Life” mural on the Hesburgh Library became known as “Touchdown Jesus” due to the raised position of Christ’s arms and the mural’s location directly behind the north end zone of Notre Dame Stadium.

**MAIN BUILDING | “GOLDEN DOME”**
The Main Building is the centerpiece of Notre Dame’s campus and where the University’s administration is headquartered. Atop the famous Golden Dome is a 19-foot-tall statue of Notre Dame – Our Lady, Mary, the Mother of God.

**MOSES SCULPTURE | “FIRST DOWN MOSES”**
Commissioned in 1962, the statue depicts Moses standing on Mt. Sinai while chastising the Israelites for falling into idolatry. He is holding the Ten Commandments in his left hand while pointing his right hand to the sky to proclaim there is only one God.

**OUR LADY OF THE LAKE WORLD PEACE PLAZA | “PEACE PLAZA”**
Unveiled in 2022, the Peace Plaza was presented through the generosity and legacy of William J. Pulte, Master Builder (1932-2018). Guided by the belief in the inherent dignity of all people, Bill shared his passion for world peace with all those he encountered. It is his family’s wish that this plaza will be a place for reflection, prayer, and peace to all who visit.

**SACRED HEART OF JESUS STATUE**
In the heart of God Quad, you encounter the Sacred Heart of Jesus statue. At the base of the statue are the words “Venite Ad Me Omnes” which translates as, “Come to me, everyone.” As Jesus stretched out his arms on the Cross when he died for us, he stands ready with a heart wide open to welcome all people into his loving embrace.

*Specific locations can be found on the campus map, pages 18-20.*
NOTRE DAME STADIUM BAG POLICY

- The policy allows for only clear plastic, vinyl, or PVC bags that do not exceed 12” x 6” x 12” in size. Clear bags may have a logo on one side so long as said logo does not exceed 4.5” x 3.4.”
- Small clutch bags (with or without a handle/strap) or wallets that do not exceed 4.5” x 6.5” are allowable and do not need to be clear plastic.
- One-gallon clear plastic zip bags (such as Ziploc or Hefty bags) are also allowable.
- Exceptions will be made for approved medical bags or equipment, which will be subject to additional screening.
- Notre Dame staff is not responsible for the storage of belongings that are not permitted to be brought into the stadium. Guests must keep their bags/items in a secure location.

Visit the QR code for more information.

NOTRE DAME STADIUM METAL DETECTORS

As part of the University of Notre Dame’s ongoing commitment to safety and security, walk-through metal detectors are used at all gates of Notre Dame Stadium.

After having bags checked, guests will pass through the metal detectors and then have tickets scanned for entry to the venue. Entrants will not be required to remove belts, cell phones, coins, jackets, jewelry, watches, wallets, shoes, or other small objects.

ON-CAMPUS TRANSPORTATION

Notre Dame offers a FREE flag-down, one-way courtesy cart service across campus. Look for courtesy carts on campus throughout the game weekend.

- Friday: 11 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
- Saturday: 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

*Please note: There is no post-game Courtesy Cart service. Courtesy Carts cannot be reserved.
Immerse yourself in the rich tradition, spirited hospitality, and unique experiences that define us.

Scan the QR code to find restaurants in The Bend.
DINING

DUNCAN STUDENT CENTER
Sit down in the student center or grab your food to go. Enjoy a fast-casual meal from Chick-Fil-A, Hagerty Family Cafe, and Modern Market inside the Duncan Student Center. Place orders via the GrubHub app or at kiosks available at Door 15. Duncan Student Center is not open on gameday Saturdays.

FOOTBALL FRIDAYS AT THE ECK PRESENTED BY GUINNESS
All are welcome to join the Alumni Association Football Fridays at the Eck! Featuring tailgate food, music, ND celebrity interviews, activities for the family, and so much more. Located at the Eck Visitors Center on home game Fridays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

LA FORTUNE STUDENT CENTER
For a fast-casual dining experience visit Starbucks, Taco Bell, Flip Kitchen, Street Fare, and the Huddle Mart. Place orders via the GrubHub app or at the kiosk.

LEGENDS
Legends is back on gameday weekends with a full bar and a new menu featuring fan favorite shareables, sandwiches, and more. Join Gamedays at Legends on Saturday with walk-up, first come, first served availability at the restaurant and bar, or reservation-only gameday fare buffet in the club area. Visit legends.nd.edu for tickets and more information.

MORRIS INN
Visit Rohr’s, campus’s casual, sit-down, warm, gathering place. Dine al fresco on the Wind Family Fireside Terrace, or pick up a cup of coffee at Cafe J right inside the Morris Inn lobby.

Dining hours of specific locations can be found on the campus map, pages 18-20.
CAMPUS RETAILERS

HAMMES BOOKSTORE
Explore 35,040 square feet of sweeping, multi-level redesign at the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore. Customize a one-of-a-kind hat at the new Custom Zone. Discover expanded brands from Champion and Under Armour, to johnnie-O, Peter Millar, Vineyard Vines, Dooney and Burke, and women-owned jewelry line, Kyle Cavan. With new check-out technology and gameday registers, it’s easier and more exciting than ever to bring home the best of Notre Dame books, gifts, apparel, and more. Grab a cup of coffee or bagel sandwich from The Gilded Bean.

HAMMES BOOKSTORE AND CAFE ON EDDY STREET
Dining on Eddy Street? Shop a curated selection of all your favorite Notre Dame apparel, gifts, and more at our Eddy Street location. Complete with a full Starbucks menu, Under Armour Zone, Tailgate Zone, and access to the parking garage, you’ll find everything you need for gamday, plus a wide selection of men’s, women’s, and children’s brands.

LEEP VARSITY SHOP AT THE JOYCE CENTER
Located in the Joyce Center and stocked exclusively with Under Armour, the beautiful Varsity Shop has everything you need for every Notre Dame sport.

Hours of specific locations can be found on the campus map, pages 18-20.

GAME WEEKEND HOURS
Friday: 8am-10pm
Saturday: 8am-9pm (Night Games 8pm)
Sunday: 8am-7pm
STADIUM CONCESSIONS

NOTRE DAME CASHLESS VENUE
Vendor and concession stands inside Notre Dame Stadium are cashless. Payment options include credit or debit cards, Apple Pay, and Android Pay. A convenient kiosk station where you can transfer cash to a Visa gift card is located at Gate D. The gift card can be used anywhere Visa is accepted.

NEW AND LOCAL FAVORITES
Check out the new and local fare in the Concessions Map in the Fighting Irish app. Chick-Fil-A, Nelson’s BBQ, Ben’s Pretzel, Connie’s Pizza, and Savory Kernel, as well as our own Shamrock Pretzel and Rockne Brat, are just some of the great grub you’ll find.

WALK-THROUGH MARKETS
Grab your favorite items even faster with our new grab-and-go self-serve concession stand. Walk-Through Markets can be found in sections 14 and 28 on the lower concourse. Follow the signage for an easy and quick self-checkout.

MOBILE ORDERING
Order from your seat so you don’t miss the action while waiting in line! Download the Fighting Irish app or scan the QR code below to find the nearest concession stand with mobile ordering (sections 7, 19, 31, 112-113, 122, and 130-131) or the one providing your favorite concession stand items. Place your order, watch the game, and wait until you receive an alert that your order is ready for pick up.

STADIUM POLICIES

SEATING DIAGRAM

TAILGATING
All lots will open at 8 a.m. ET on gameday and require a University-issued parking pass. Parking passes may be pre-purchased from the Murnane Family Ticket Office and ParkMobile.

GAME DAY PAY-TO-PARK LOTS
Save time on game day! Parking passes for select lots may be pre-purchased at fightingirish.com/tickets and parkmobile.com. Processing fees may apply. Please note: ALL lot open times are 8 a.m. and ALL pay-to-park lots are cashless.

BLUE LOT (WHITE FIELD): From the Toll Road (Exit 77), turn left (north) at the light onto S.R. 933. At the third traffic light, turn right (east) onto Cleveland Road and then turn right (south) at the next light onto Juniper Road. Enter the lot at the second right past the overpass bridge.

GOLD LOT (WHITE NORTH): To enter, proceed straight through the light at the end of the Exit 77 ramp onto Douglas Rd. Turn right into the entrance of the Gold Lot. Shuttles start at 8 a.m. and run from the Blue and Gold Lots to Hesburgh Library. Parking is only available for passenger cars and small trucks. No trailers of any type or size allowed. White Field Parking is $35.

BURKE NORTH/SOUTH AND DORR LOT (SOUTHWEST CORNER OF CAMPUS): Burke South entrance is located off Angela Boulevard, near SR 933. Burke North/Dorr entrance is off Dorr Road. Only passenger vehicles will be permitted to park in this area. No recreational vehicles, limousines, large trucks, buses, or motorcycles will be admitted in grass parking lots. If inclement weather forces portions of the area to be unavailable, alternate general parking will be in the Blue and Gold Lots (White Field). Burke parking is $50. All vehicles must exit the lots two hours post-game.

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