

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE & LOURDES RETREAT

WITH FATHER DAN KIRBY • OCTOBER 11-24, 2027

A 14-Day Journey Through the "Eldest Daughter of the Church"

Paris • Chartres • Lisieux • Mont Saint-Michel • Normandy • Versailles • Lourdes

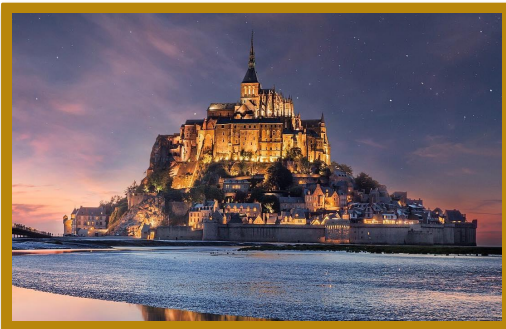
SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP

Father Dan Kirby

Father Kirby invites you to journey with him from Des Moines to the heart of French Catholicism, celebrating daily Holy Mass at world-renowned shrines and leading our group in prayer and reflection.

More Than a Tour: A Retreat for the Heart

Walk in the footsteps of the saints, from majestic Chartres Cathedral and the gentle spirit of St. Thérèse in Lisieux to heavenly Mont Saint-Michel, the solemn Normandy Beaches, the sacred sites of Paris, and the miraculous waters of Lourdes. This pilgrimage offers profound spiritual encounters, moments of reflection on sacrifice and grace, and an intimate experience of the living legacy of the saints and the Blessed Mother, a journey that will renew your heart and deepen your faith.



SPIRITUAL & PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Pastoral Leadership: Led by Father Dan Kirby, with Holy Mass celebrated daily at the great shrines of France.

Our Lady of Chartres: Mass at Chartres Cathedral, home of the Sancta Camisia, and prayer at Our Lady of Montligeon.

St. Thérèse & Her Family: Mass at the Basilica in Lisieux, her tomb at the Carmel, and Saints Louis and Zélie Martin.

Mont Saint-Michel & Normandy: Mass at the island abbey, the American Cemetery at Omaha Beach, and Pointe du Hoc.

Catholic Paris: Notre-Dame, Sainte-Chapelle, the Miraculous Medal, Sacré-Cœur, and the martyrs of the Carmes.

Lourdes Retreat: Mass at the Grotto, the Eucharistic and Torchlight Processions, the Way of the Cross, and the Water Gesture.

Complete Peace of Mind: Group air from Des Moines, private motorcoach, TGV rail, Seine cruises, daily breakfast and dinner, and a Tour Manager.

DAILY ITINERARY • PARIS & CHARTRES

Days 1–3 • Departure, Opening Mass in Paris & Our Lady of Chartres

DAY 1 • MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2027

Pilgrimage Departs Des Moines

Meals: Dinner & breakfast aboard the overnight flight

Our pilgrimage begins as we depart Des Moines on our overnight flight to Paris. This time of travel serves as a vigil of sorts, as we prepare our hearts for the spiritual encounters awaiting us in the "Eldest Daughter of the Church," a title France has held since the baptism of King Clovis I.



DAY 2 • TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2027

Paris Arrival & Chartres

Meals: Dinner

Upon our morning arrival in Paris, we are greeted by our multilingual Tour Manager and begin with a panoramic tour of the city's historic landmarks. Our first spiritual stop is Saint-Germain-l'Auxerrois near the Louvre, built on the grounds of a 6th-century chapel honoring St. Germanus of Auxerre and later the royal parish church of the House of Valois. After lunch at a local café, we gather at St. Séverin, a flamboyant Gothic jewel in the Latin Quarter, to celebrate our Opening Mass. We then board our motorcoach for the drive to the medieval city of Chartres for dinner and a restful night.

DAY 3 • WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2027

Chartres Cathedral & Our Lady of Montligeon

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

We begin our day in the shadow of Chartres Cathedral, a masterpiece of Gothic architecture that has housed the Sancta Camisia, the tunic of the Blessed Virgin Mary, since 876 AD. A guided tour reveals the famous "blue of Chartres" in its 12th-century stained glass, a "Bible in glass" for the faithful of the Middle Ages, and we celebrate Holy Mass in the cathedral. After lunch, we journey to the Shrine of Our Lady of Montligeon, the world center of prayer for the Souls in Purgatory, founded by Abbé Buguet in 1884. Here we pray to Our Lady Liberatrix for our deceased loved ones before driving to Lisieux, home of St. Thérèse, for a three-night stay.



DAILY ITINERARY • NORMANDY

Days 4–5 • St. Thérèse of Lisieux & Mont Saint-Michel



DAY 4 • THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2027

St. Thérèse in Lisieux

Meals: Breakfast, Winery Tasting, Dinner

Our morning is dedicated to the "Little Flower." We visit the Carmelite Monastery Chapel, where the tomb of St. Thérèse rests, and celebrate Holy Mass in the Basilica of St. Thérèse, one of the largest churches built in the 20th century. In the crypt we honor her parents, Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, the first spouses in Church history canonized as a couple. In the afternoon we visit Les Buissonnets, her childhood home, and reflect on how her "little way" of doing small things with great love transformed the modern Church. A tour and tasting at the Arpents du Soleil winery recalls the vine and the branches, followed by personal time in peaceful Lisieux.

DAY 5 • FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2027

Mont Saint-Michel

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

An early departure brings us to the breathtaking Mont Saint-Michel, a granite island abbey that has stood as a sentinel of faith for over a millennium. According to tradition, the Archangel Michael appeared to Bishop Aubert of Avranches in 708 AD and instructed him to build a church on this rocky peak. We celebrate Holy Mass in the Chapel of St. Pierre before a guided tour of this "Wonder of the West," observing how its monastic architecture climbs toward the heavens. We return to Lisieux for dinner at our hotel.



DAILY ITINERARY • NORMANDY & VERSAILLES

Days 6–7 • The Beaches of Normandy & the Cathedral of Saint-Louis



DAY 6 • SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2027

The Beaches of Normandy

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

History and sacrifice take center stage as we travel to the Beaches of Normandy. At Pegasus Bridge and the American Cemetery, which overlooks Omaha Beach and holds the remains of 9,387 American heroes, we reflect on the price of freedom. At noon we celebrate Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption in a quaint Norman village, invoking the protection of the Queen of Peace. Our afternoon continues at Arromanches and Pointe du Hoc, where U.S. Rangers scaled the cliffs during the invasion of 1944. We then drive to Versailles to check into our hotel.

DAY 7 • SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2027

Versailles & Return to Paris

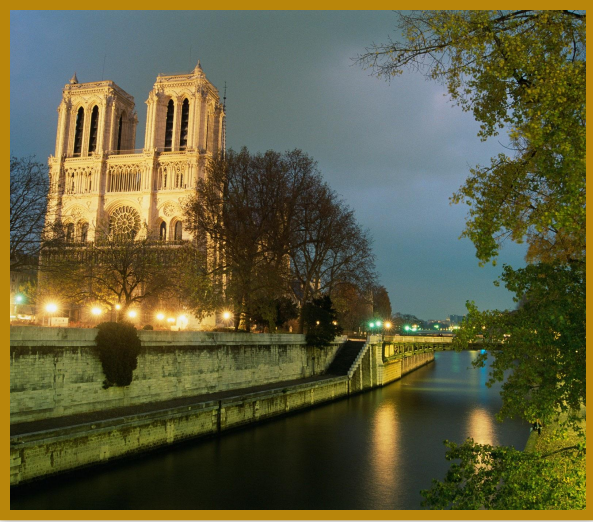
Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

We begin our Sunday by celebrating Mass at the Cathedral of Saint-Louis de Versailles, dedicated to King Louis IX, the only King of France to be canonized. Afterward, a guided tour of the Palace of Versailles, the opulent former residence of French royalty, includes the Hall of Mirrors and the vast gardens. In the afternoon we return to the heart of the capital for a panoramic tour of the most famous landmarks of Paris, the city of martyrs like St. Denis, before checking into our Parisian hotel for a four-night stay.



DAILY ITINERARY • PARIS

Days 8–9 • Notre-Dame, the Miraculous Medal & Sacré-Cœur



DAY 8 • MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2027

Notre-Dame & the Miraculous Medal

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Today we witness the resilience of faith at the newly restored Notre-Dame Cathedral, the spiritual heart of France for over 800 years, and the stunning Sainte-Chapelle, built by St. Louis IX as a reliquary for the Crown of Thorns. We celebrate Holy Mass in the St. Vincent de Paul Chapel at St. Lazare, where we venerate the tomb of the "Great Apostle of Charity." Steps away, at the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal on rue du Bac, we see the incorrupt body of St. Catherine Labouré and stand in the chapel where the Blessed Mother appeared in 1830. The evening features a peaceful Seine River cruise beneath the illuminated monuments of the City of Light.

DAY 9 • TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2027

Sacré-Cœur & Montmartre

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Our morning ascent leads to the Basilica of the Sacred Heart atop Montmartre, the "Mount of Martyrs," where perpetual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has continued uninterrupted since 1885. We celebrate Holy Mass in this site of national penance and devotion. After a tour of the Montmartre neighborhood, the afternoon is free for personal exploration of the Eiffel Tower, Les Invalides, or the Musée d'Orsay, and for reflection on the Catholic history woven into the very fabric of the city's art and architecture.



DAILY ITINERARY • PARIS & LOURDES

Days 10–11 • The Martyrs of Paris & High-Speed Rail to Lourdes



DAY 10 • WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2027

Paris Martyrs & Farewell to Paris

Meals: Breakfast, Farewell Dinner Cruise

After breakfast we celebrate Mass at the Church of Saint-Ignace, the Jesuit church dedicated to the founder of the Society of Jesus. Following lunch, we visit St. Joseph-des-Carmes, where many priests and bishops were martyred in the "September Massacres" of 1792 during the French Revolution, and pray at the tomb of Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, who founded the St. Vincent de Paul Society in 1833 to serve the poor of Paris. Our time in the capital concludes with a festive Farewell Dinner Cruise on the Seine, a beautiful "au revoir" to the city and the saints who walked its streets.

DAY 11 • THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2027

High-Speed Rail to Lourdes

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Our retreat group boards a high-speed TGV train bound for the Pyrenees, arriving in Lourdes by late afternoon. This remote village became the center of the Catholic world in 1858, when the "Immaculate Conception" appeared to a poor young girl, Bernadette Soubirous. Upon arrival, we walk to the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes to join the Eucharistic Procession, which begins at the Grotto of Massabielle and moves to the Basilica of St. Pius X, an underground church that holds 25,000 pilgrims. We share dinner together at our hotel, surrounded by the prayerful silence of the mountains.



DAILY ITINERARY • LOURDES RETREAT

Days 12–13 • In the Footsteps of Bernadette



DAY 12 • FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2027

In the Footsteps of Bernadette

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

A day of deep immersion begins with Mass in English at the Grotto, the very place where Mary spoke to St. Bernadette. We view a film on the Message of Lourdes, a call to prayer and penance for the conversion of sinners, and follow the "Footsteps of Bernadette" to the Boly Mill, where she was born into a loving family, and the Cachot, the former jail cell where her family lived in extreme poverty during the apparitions. After dinner we join the iconic Torchlight Marian Procession, a sea of candles and voices singing the "Ave Maria," the light of Christ in a darkened world.

DAY 13 • SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2027

Final Prayers in Lourdes

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Our final full day in France begins with the Way of the Cross, following the life-sized, golden-bronze stations that wind up the hill above the sanctuary. There is an additional opportunity for Mass, followed by time for private prayer and the "Water Gesture" at the Lourdes Baths, where we wash and drink from the spring as Our Lady asked, a sign of our baptismal call to conversion. We share a final dinner in Lourdes, reflecting on the graces received during our retreat.



JOURNEY HOME & HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Day 14 • Your Accommodations & Daily Mass

DAY 14 • SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2027

Journey Home

Meals: Breakfast

We transfer to the airport in Toulouse and board our flight home, arriving in Des Moines the same day and carrying with us the spiritual treasures of the French saints, the courage of the martyrs, and the peace of the Mother of God.

YOUR ACCOMMODATIONS • 12 NIGHTS

CHARTRES

1 Night

Oct 12

LISIEUX

3 Nights

Oct 13–16

VERSAILLES

1 Night

Oct 16

PARIS

4 Nights

Oct 17–21

LOURDES

3 Nights

Oct 21–24

HOLY MASS & DEVOTIONS

- **Tue, Oct 12** Opening Mass at St. Séverin, Paris
- **Wed, Oct 13** Chartres Cathedral
- **Thu, Oct 14** Basilica of St. Thérèse, Lisieux
- **Fri, Oct 15** Chapel of St. Pierre, Mont Saint-Michel
- **Sat, Oct 16** Our Lady of the Assumption, Normandy
- **Sun, Oct 17** Cathedral of Saint-Louis, Versailles
- **Mon, Oct 18** St. Vincent de Paul Chapel, St. Lazare, Paris
- **Tue, Oct 19** Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Montmartre
- **Wed, Oct 20** Church of Saint-Ignace, Paris
- **Thu, Oct 21** Eucharistic Procession, Sanctuary of Lourdes
- **Fri, Oct 22** Mass in English at the Grotto; Torchlight Procession
- **Sat, Oct 23** Way of the Cross; additional Mass opportunity

Mass sites and times are requested in advance and confirmed locally; they may change with shrine schedules.

PILGRIMAGE PRICE & INCLUSIONS

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PER PERSON • DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

\$5829

\$105.00 taxes & surcharges

Group Airfare Coming in Early December



\$400

Deposit per person, sent with your application

15 Days

Air portion due after airline tickets are issued

June 13, 2027

Final payment due (120 days before departure)

WHAT'S INCLUDED

Spiritual Leadership: Father Dan Kirby, with daily Holy Mass at the great shrines of France

Air: Round-trip group airfare from Des Moines, returning from Toulouse

Accommodations: 12 nights: Chartres, Lisieux, Versailles, Paris, and Lourdes

Meals: 12 breakfasts and 12 dinners, including the Farewell Dinner Cruise

Special Experiences: Seine River cruise and Arpents du Soleil winery tour and tasting

Transportation: Private motorcoach and high-speed TGV train from Paris to Lourdes

Tour Manager: Multilingual Tour Manager throughout the pilgrimage

TravelTyme Pilgrimage: Will be with you every step of the way

Guided Visits: Chartres, Mont Saint-Michel, Versailles, Montmartre, and the sites of Lourdes

Transfers: Arrival in Paris and departure from Toulouse Airport

NOT INCLUDED

- Lunches (except as noted)
- Travel insurance (strongly recommended)
- Optional activities and free-time entrances
- Tips to driver and tour manager
- Personal expenses

Space is limited. Reserve early to secure your place.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Please read carefully before submitting your application

RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENT

Travel Tyme requires a deposit of \$400 per person that is to be sent with the application at the time of booking. Once Airfare is ticketed, the air portion is due within 15 days. The \$400 deposit forms a part of your final payment, which must be received by us no later than 120 days prior to departure. Seats are limited on this Pilgrimage, so we suggest an early booking.

CANCELLATIONS

Please make all cancellations in writing. The following cancellation charges apply: If cancelled 120 days or more prior to departure, a \$75 administration fee is charged. If cancelled 119-61 days prior, \$300 penalty will be charged. If cancelled 60-15 days prior, a \$500 penalty will be charged. If cancelled 14 days or less, the total amount of the trip will be forfeited. In addition, once the airline tickets are issued, the cost is non-refundable.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

We strongly recommend the purchase of travel insurance to recuperate the penalties charged for cancellation for health reasons. You would be fully covered, except if pre-existing conditions are evident. Even so, the insurer waives the exclusion for pre-existing conditions, if insurance is purchased within 15 days of deposit received by Travel Tyme.

PASSPORT AND VISA

For travel outside the United States, a valid passport is required for all U.S. citizens. For those holding passports of other countries, visas may be required. Please check with Travel Tyme for further information.

RESPONSIBILITY CLAUSE

TRAVEL TYME acts as tour operator. The suppliers providing transportation and sightseeing arrangements and hotel accommodations for the tour program are independent contractors and are not employees of TRAVEL TYME. All coupons, receipts and tickets are issued subject to the terms and conditions specified by the suppliers. By utilizing the service of the suppliers, you agree that TRAVEL TYME will not be liable for any accident, loss, injury, or damage to you or those traveling with you in connection with any accommodations, transportation or any other services resulting directly or indirectly from any occurrences or conditions beyond its control, including defects in vehicles, breakdown in equipment, thefts, delay or cancellation of or changes in itinerary for any act, omission or events during the time you are on board the aircraft or other common carrier. Neither TRAVEL TYME and agents, or airlines concerned are to be held responsible for the late arrival of passengers at airports or resorts due to inclement weather, nor are they to be held liable for payment or any refund for unused hotel accommodations or meals occasioned by such late arrivals at the hotels holding rooms as confirmed in itineraries.

AIRFARES & TOUR PRICES

Airfares and land prices quoted in the brochure are based on prices and exchange rates in effect at the time of the printing of this brochure (October 2026) and are subject to change caused by currency rate exchange & fuel costs.

AIR TRANSPORTATION

Air transportation is in economy class on scheduled carriers. After group is ticketed, individuals can request Comfort or First Class at current rate of request.

PLEASE NOTE

When we know of your special dietary or mobility needs, we will alert our airline and ground partners. It is important for you to be alert and advocate for yourself. However, just like when dining out at home, it's crucial that you also speak directly with waitstaff at every meal to ensure your needs are addressed. If you need help, please ask your Tour Manager.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS OF THIS TRIP

This active trip requires pilgrims to walk on uneven surfaces, over cobblestone streets, and up and down stairs. Expect to walk 12,000 - 15,000 steps each day. If you cannot keep up with the group, you may be required to forego visiting some sites. Walkers and wheelchairs are not easily available overseas. IF YOU REQUIRE SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR MOBILITY, PLEASE CALL US AT 636-391-1000, SO WE CAN HELP FIND THE PERFECT TRIP FOR YOU.

GROUP AIR SEATING POLICY

TravelTyme Pilgrimages utilizes group airfare and CANNOT ASSIGN SEATS OR CHANGE SEAT ASSIGNMENTS. Only the airlines can make these changes. Seat assignments are made by the airline at the time of check-in. Sometimes, you may not be assigned a seat with your traveling companion. You will need to work with the airline to change seats. If specific seats are important to you, we recommend arranging your own flights.



PILGRIMAGE REGISTRATION FORM

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Please print clearly. Names must match your passport exactly, and passports must be valid for at least six months after return. Airline tickets are issued from this form. Return it with your deposit to TravelTyme Pilgrimages.

TRAVELER 1

FULL NAME EXACTLY AS ON PASSPORT (FIRST MIDDLE LAST)

GENDER: ☐ M ☐ F

PREFERRED NAME FOR NAME BADGE

DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY)

COUNTRY OF PASSPORT ISSUE

PASSPORT NUMBER

PASSPORT ISSUE DATE

PASSPORT EXPIRATION DATE

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE / ZIP

MOBILE PHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

FOOD ALLERGIES / DIETARY NEEDS

PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS / MOBILITY NEEDS

FREQUENT FLYER # (AIRLINE)

KNOWN TRAVELER # (TSA PRECHECK)

TRAVELER 2

FULL NAME EXACTLY AS ON PASSPORT (FIRST MIDDLE LAST)

GENDER: ☐ M ☐ F

PREFERRED NAME FOR NAME BADGE

DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY)

COUNTRY OF PASSPORT ISSUE

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KNOWN TRAVELER # (TSA PRECHECK)

EMERGENCY CONTACT (SOMEONE NOT TRAVELING WITH YOU)

NAME

RELATIONSHIP

PHONE

ROOM REQUEST

☐ Double (2 people) ☐ Triple (max 3) ☐ Single*

ROOMMATE NAME(S)

**Single rooms are limited and carry a supplement. Group air departs from Des Moines.*

AIR ARRANGEMENTS

☐ Group air departing from (city): _____

☐ Land only. I will arrange my own flights.

DEPOSIT

Enclosed is a \$400 deposit × _____ person(s) = \$ _____

☐ Check enclosed, payable to Travel Tyme

☐ Credit card: please call me to take payment by phone

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS (EACH TRAVELER PLEASE INITIAL)

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I have read and accept the Terms & Conditions included in this brochure.

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I understand group air seats cannot be assigned by TravelTyme, and I may not be seated with my travel companion.

SIGNATURE: TRAVELER 1

DATE

SIGNATURE: TRAVELER 2

DATE



TRAVEL PROTECTION

Know your options before you go • October 11–24, 2027



Protect Your Pilgrimage

Life doesn't always go as planned. If a covered illness or injury, or a medical emergency in your family, keeps you from traveling, trip cancellation coverage can reimburse your non-refundable trip costs. And once you're in France, travel protection helps care for you if you become ill or injured far from home.

BEFORE YOU DEPART

Coverage for cancellation due to a covered medical emergency, for you or a family member.

DURING YOUR PILGRIMAGE

Emergency medical expenses, emergency medical transportation, trip interruption, and lost or damaged baggage.



Trip Cancellation & Interruption

Reimburses covered, non-refundable costs if you must cancel or cut your trip short.



Emergency Medical Expenses

Medicare and many U.S. health plans offer little or no coverage outside the United States.



Emergency Medical Transportation

Covers transport to the nearest appropriate facility, or home, if medically necessary.



Lost or Damaged Baggage

Helps replace luggage and personal effects that are lost, stolen, or damaged.

IMPORTANT DEADLINE: Purchase within 15 days of your deposit to qualify for the pre-existing condition waiver.

Please call 636-391-1000 to discuss your options, and return this page with your registration.

TRAVELER 1

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PURCHASE

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DECLINE

PRINTED NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE

TRAVELER 2

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PURCHASE

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This plan provides insurance coverage that only applies during the covered trip. You may have coverage from other sources that provides you with similar benefits but may be subject to different restrictions depending upon your other coverages. You may wish to compare the terms of this policy with your existing life, health, home, and automobile insurance policies. If you have any questions about your current coverage, call your insurer or insurance agent or broker. Coverage is offered by Travel Guard Group, Inc (Travel Guard). California lic. no.0B93606, 3300 Business Park Drive, Stevens Point, WI 54482, www.travelguard.com. CA DOI toll free number: 800-927-HELP. This is only a brief description of the coverage(s) available. The Policy will contain reductions, limitations, exclusions and termination provisions. Insurance underwritten by National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, Pa., a Pennsylvania insurance company, with its principal place of business at 175 Water Street, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10038. It is currently authorized to transact business in all states and the District of Columbia. NAIC No. 19445. Coverage may not be available in all states. Your travel retailer may not be licensed to sell insurance, and cannot answer technical questions about the benefits, exclusions, and conditions of this insurance and cannot evaluate the adequacy of your existing insurance. The purchase of travel insurance is not required in order to purchase any other product or service from the travel retailer. Travel assistance services provided by Travel Guard. 1678 03/09/18 TG-41107-18