

Pilgrimage to Marian Shrines and France with Father Thomas Molini

Lourdes ✝ Basilica of the Immaculate Conception ✝ Fatima
Santiago de Compostela ✝ Tomb of St. James The Apostle
Santiago Cathedral ✝ Camino de Santiago
✝ Mont Saint-Michel ✝ Lisieux ✝ Normandy Beaches
Bayeux ✝ Basilica of St. Therese Lisieux
Paris ✝ Notre Dame ✝ Louvre Museum ✝ Champs Elysées

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Monday, October 23rd: Depart U.S., for overnight flight to Europe. Dinner and breakfast served aboard.



Tuesday, October 24th: After arriving this morning in Lisbon, the capital city of Portugal, we are met by our multilingual Tour Manager. Our motor coach travels along the beautiful countryside to **Fatima**. In 1917 the Blessed Mother appeared to three shepherd children, Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco, revealing to them the message of prayer and doing penance to bring conversion and peace in the world. We check in at our hotel, and at 3:30 PM we will celebrate **HOLY MASS in the CHAPEL OF APPARITION**, located on the very spot of Our Blessed Mother's Apparition to the three children. We then have dinner. Before retiring for the night some may wish to participate in the traditional Rosary and Candlelight Procession held this evening and every evening.

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Wednesday, October 25th: This morning at 9:00 AM we will celebrate **MASS in OUR LADY OF SORROWS CHAPEL in the FATIMA BASILICA**. Within the Fatima Basilica we visit the tombs of the recently proclaimed Blessed: Jacinta and Francisco. Later we go to nearby **Aljustrel** and enter the homes of the three children. We will also see where an angel appeared and gave the children Holy Communion. Together we can make the **Way of the Cross**, and have some time for private devotions. This evening at the Shrine we will pray the Rosary together and take part in a candlelight procession.

B & D Fatima



Thursday, October 26th: At 6:30 AM we celebrate **HOLY MASS in the CHAPEL OF APPARITIONS**, built on the very site of the Apparition of the Blessed Mother to the three children. We have breakfast and check out, driving north and across the border into northwestern Spain. We will pass through the city of **Oporto, Portugal**. The country's name is derived from this city, as well as the name of a special beverage produced here - port wine. We arrive in **Santiago de Compostela** in northwestern Spain, a city that grew around the tomb of **St. James the Apostle**, whose apostolic mission to the Iberian Peninsula began its conversion to Christianity. In later centuries the Christians of Spain made St. James their patron saint as they strove to deliver the land from Moorish occupation. Dinner is in our hotel.

B & D Santiago de Compostela



Friday, October 27th: The relics of St. James the Apostle are enshrined in the crypt located under the high altar of the city's great 11th century Romanesque Cathedral with its ornate Baroque façade. At 9:00 AM we celebrate our **HOLY MASS in SANTIAGO CATHEDRAL**. During the Middle Ages, when the Holy Land was not accessible for pilgrimages, millions of devout pilgrims trekked here from all over Europe. After Mass a guide gives us a tour, explaining the history of this important pilgrimage destination. For the rest of the day we can enjoy the unspoiled beauty of the Old Town. Arrangements can be made, for any in the group who may want to experience the **Camino de Santiago**, to walk for even a short distance. We will have dinner at a restaurant near our hotel.

B & D Santiago de Compostela



Saturday, October 28th: We have breakfast and check out and transfer to the airport for a short flight to Toulouse. Upon arriving at Toulouse airport, make your way to the baggage claim area and collect your luggage. Proceed to the arrival's hall, where you will be greeted by your driver. Embark on a scenic drive to Lourdes. Check-in to your hotel and relax or explore before dinner. Following dinner, you will have free time to pray the Rosary and to attend the candlelight procession. (April-October only). These processions are lit by candlelight and guided by the Most Holy Rosary. Following this prayerful experience, you will return to your hotel for an overnight.

B & D Lourdes

Sunday, October 29th: Lourdes is the site of the 1858 apparitions of Our Lady under the title of her Immaculate Conception. We begin our day at 9:45 AM by **HOLY MASS celebrated at the very GROTTO**, where the Blessed Mother first appeared to the saintly peasant girl, Bernadette, and where she unearthed the miraculous spring of water. A time will be arranged to view the Lourdes video that gives the history of the apparitions. In this holy place of spiritual and physical healing, we have the **opportunity to take the “Baths”** in the waters of Lourdes. This day in prayer in Lourdes can include the Way of the Cross, time spent in Eucharistic Adoration and other personal devotions. At 5:00 PM is the daily **Procession of the Blessed Sacrament with Blessing of the Sick**. Candlelight Procession is available this evening. **B & D Lourdes**



Monday, October 30th: This morning at 9:30 AM we will celebrate **MASS in the CHAPEL OF ST. ANNE in the BASILICA OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**. We can go on a **walking tour** of Lourdes to visit the places where St. Bernadette lived: at the Boly Mill and the Cachot, an abandoned prison which was their family home at the time of the apparitions. We can see the parish church and font of Bernadette’s baptism. Again there is ample time for devotion during our “mini-retreat” in Lourdes. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered throughout the day. This evening we can participate once again in the Candlelight Procession. **B & D Lourdes**



Tuesday, October 31st: We have early breakfast, and then at 7:00 AM this morning we celebrate **Holy Mass in St. Anne Chapel in the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception**. Soon, we are on our way due North to the Bordeaux region. Our first stop is at the **Shrine of Our Lady of the Afflicted**. In the year 1112, Geraud de Graves, a knight, returned home from the First Crusade. He chose to retire here in Verdelaïs and live as a hermit. He built a chapel to house a statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary....one that is said that he brought back from Bethlehem. In 1185, a blind man was miraculously cured here....the first of many such miracles to take place here. Following, we enter the town of Bordeaux where we reach the **Carthusian Cemetery and grave of Blessed William Joseph Chaminade**, founder of the **Society of Mary (the Marianists)**. After a short time, our final destination is Saint Eulalie Church. Here, a Eucharistic Miracle took place. Abbot Delort, substituting for Fr. Noaille at Mass, consecrated the host, and when he looked at the host, Jesus appeared in the Host. The great number of faithful present were able to contemplate, for more than twenty minutes, Jesus, imprinted on the Host. Someone also testified to having heard Jesus say: “I am He who is”. This event was approved by the ecclesiastical authorities, among whom were the Archbishop of Bordeaux- Monsignor D’Aviau - who heard personally the witness of the faithful who attested to the marvel. **B & D Bordeaux**



Wednesday, November 1st: After breakfast we board our motorcoach and drive to the **Basilica of St. Michael in Bordeaux**. The Basilica of St Michael (Basilique Saint-Michel, in French), is a Flamboyant Gothic church dedicated to St. Michael the Archangel. In 1998, UNESCO designated the Routes of Santiago de Compostela in France as a World Heritage Site & was built between the late 14th century and completed in the 16th Century. **Here we celebrate Holy Mass**. Next, we are treated to a winery tour at **Chateau de Dubraud**. Here we have a winery tour gaining an understanding of French Wine making in the Bordeaux region, sampling various wines coupled with local fare. After our next destination will be at **Mont Saint-Michel**, one of the wonders of the western world, built on a granite island just over one-half mile in circumference and 260 feet high. It is surrounded by the sea at high tide. Here, we will have a walking tour of the Mont with time for prayer and reflection in the Chapel at the Monastery. **B & D Mont Saint-Michel**



Thursday, November 2nd: We drive to the north to visit the **Normandy Beaches**. It will be with strong feelings that we see some of the areas where the allies fought to recover freedom. We will reach **Arromanches** on the Normandy coast, a major focal point of the invasion in 1944. We stop to see Pegasus Bridge, which was a key and a strategic supply line secured by the Allies on opening day of the invasion, and made famous in the film *The Longest Day*. On a bluff overlooking Omaha Beach is the **American Cemetery**, containing the remains of 9,387 American military. At 12 noon **in the cemetery’s chapel we will celebrate HOLY MASS**. Nearby we see **Pointe du Hoc**, a 100 foot cliff, fortified by the German army with



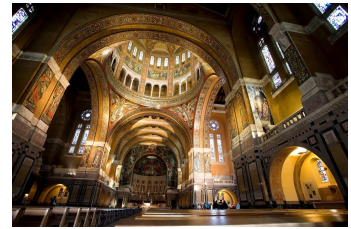
concrete casements, but which was captured by the U.S. Army Rangers, who scaled the cliffs. There will be time for lunch on our own. Close by is a town called **Bayeau**, the first French town to be liberated, and which was miraculously saved from bombardment. We will view the famous **Tapestry of Bayeau**, a work which is 76 feet long and 1 ½ feet high, which retraces the epic of William the Conqueror's expedition to England. Costumes, ships and arms of the Middle Ages are presented with astonishing realism. Back in Lisieux we have dinner together at our hotel.

B & D Lisieux



Friday, November 3rd: This morning we visit **Les Buissonnets**, the family home of **St. Therese in Lisieux**. Her life of doing the simple things well on her path to sanctity has been so inspiring to so many. Her parents, **Louis and Azelie Martin**, raised five daughters, all of whom entered the religious life. A proclamation canonizing them as saints was done in October 2015. They are called the first married couple who have been elevated to such a status. We visit the **Carmelite Monastery Chapel** and there venerate the **Tomb of St. Therese**. On the edge of town is the place where we will celebrate **HOLY MASS in the BASILICA OF ST. THERESE**. Inside this magnificent church we ponder her life, depicted on the beautiful mosaic interior, and reflect on how this young woman of faith and Doctor of the Church, called the Little Flower, reached sainthood. Before leaving, we visit the tombs of her parents, located in the Crypt behind the Basilica. This afternoon, we have time to ourselves to walk the town of **Lieusex**. Later, we have dinner together in our hotel.

B & D Lisieux



Saturday, November 4th: We check out and our first stop is in the city of **Rouen**. Here, **Joan of Arc** met her death in this French city, where she was burned at the stake. During this stop, we learn about Joan and her martyrdom. We then drive to **Paris, the City of Lights**. With our Tour Manager as escort, we go by cable car to the top of **Montmartre** to visit on our own and pray at the imposing white structure on top of the hill, the **Basilica of Sacre Coeur**. Nearby the church we will find **Place du Tertre**, the famous artists' square atop Montmartre. After descending from Montmartre our bus takes us to the magnificent **Cathedral of Paris, Notre Dame on the Ile de la Cite**. Soon after we celebrate our **Holy Mass at St. Sulpice Church** which is near **Notre Dame**. We then go to our hotel for check in and dinner together. After dinner, we will reunite this evening to embark on a relaxing **Seine River Cruise**, lasting a little over an hour and in sight of many famous monuments of the City of Lights.

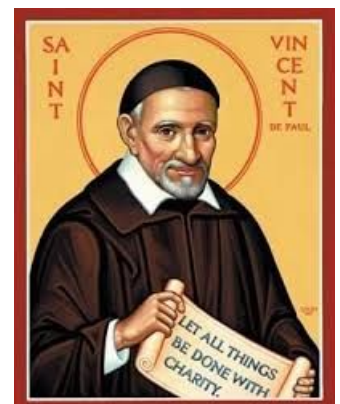
B & D Paris



Sunday, November 5th: This morning, we go to the **Shrine of the Miraculous Medal** on rue du Bac. On the way we have a **panoramic view of Paris**: the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe, Champs Elysees, and the Place de la Concorde. **St. Catherine Laboure** was in the religious order of the **Daughters of Charity**. In their convent chapel on rue du Bac Our Lady appeared to St. Catherine and gave her the image of the Miraculous Medal. The chair where Our Lady sat during one of the apparitions can be seen in the Chapel. We will celebrate **HOLY MASS in the CHAPEL OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL**. Just around the corner on rue des Sevres is the Church of St. Lazare where we visit the **Tomb of St. Vincent de Paul**, who is the co-Patron of the Archdiocese of St. Louis and a shining example of love of the poor. This afternoon & early evening we are free on our own. This will be a great opportunity to sample the culinary delights of Paris for lunch and dinner.

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Paris



Monday, November 6th: After we wake up in "la Ville des Lumières" and a delectable breakfast, we start our day with **HOLY MASS at Saint-Germain l'Auxerrois**. Located right next to the **Louvre Palace**, **Saint-Germain l'Auxerrois** has always had a special link with this monument, the residence of the kings of France until the nineteenth century, hence its title of "parish of the kings of France ". Building of this beautiful Gothic Church began in the 13th Century. We then venture to the **Louvre Museum** for a tour. After taking in the sites in the Museum, we board the motorcoach for quick ride that hugs the River Seine to the **Eiffel Tower**. Again, this afternoon we are free to explore this beautiful city. Or you have the option of visiting Versailles. This was the principal royal residence of France from 1682, under Louis XIV, until the start of the French Revolution in 1789. Tonight, we re-gather and are treated to a **Farewell Dinner** of delicious French Cuisine & Wine. **B & D Paris**

Tuesday, November 7th: This morning we are transferred to Paris airport for our return flight home, arriving back home this same day.



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