



Our Lady of Lourdes Pilgrimage with a Priest Host

April 14-22, 2024 - 9 Days

\$4,199 from Chicago

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Sunday, April 14 - Day 1 - DEPART USA - We depart Chicago on our overnight flight with dinner arriving in Frankfurt the next day. We enjoy in-flight movies, dinner, and breakfast while aloft.

Monday, April 15 - Day 2 - FRANKFURT/LOURDES - This morning, we arrive in Frankfurt where we transfer to our flight to Toulouse. On arrival, we are met by our Unitours Tour Manager, board our motor coach and drive to Lourdes where we transfer to our simple, pilgrim's hotel near the Shrine for our "welcome" dinner. In the evening, we join the nightly Torchlight Marian Procession.

Tuesday, April 16 - DAY 3 - LOURDES - Today is spent in devotion to Our Lady of Lourdes. We celebrate Mass at the Grotto, with a morning orientation visit to the Shrine and a walking tour of Lourdes, visiting Boly Mill, where St. Bernadette was born, the Cachot, formerly used as a jail, where she lived during the apparitions, and the parish church. This afternoon, following a break for lunch on our own, we enjoy free time for private devotions, Eucharistic Procession, the Blessing of the Sick or the legendary, healing waters of the miraculous Lourdes spring. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. In the evening, we can once again join the nightly Torchlight Marian Procession.

Wednesday, April 17 - Day 4 - LOURDES/ CARCASSONNE/ AVIGNON - This morning, following Mass at the shrine, we depart Lourdes and pass through Carcassonne, which boasts Europe's lengthiest medieval town walls. Her mighty circle of towers on a hill above the river Aude gives Carcassonne a fairy tale appearance. We enjoy lunch on our own along the way as we continue northeast to the beautiful French city of Avignon and our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Thursday, April 18 Day 5 - AVIGNON/ARS/NEVERS - Today, we visit Avignon's Palace of the Popes and other famous sites before departing on our journey to Ars-sur-Forman's, known to most as simply "Ars" and as the burial place of the pious St. John (Jean-Marie) Vianney, the patron of parish priests! He was born in the small farming village of Dardilly located nearby. We visit the Basilica of Ars and the tomb of this beloved saint, who was known to hear confessions for 8 to 9 hours a day and relied on as little as two hours of sleep before rising at 1am

every morning to start his morning prayers! Though St. Vianney only had the resources for starting one school, numerous religious organizations have schools, convents, and seminaries right here in Ars, because of his example! We enjoy Mass at a chapel while here and pause for a late lunch on our own before continuing to Nevers. This afternoon, we journey north and stop at Nevers, the town associated with last 13 years in the life of St. Bernadette. We arrive in time for Dinner and overnight.

Friday, April 19 - Day 6 -NEVERS - This morning, we celebrate Mass in honor of St. Bernadette of Lourdes. Our beloved saint spent the last 13 years of her life here, and we view her barely corrupt body in the Convent of St. Gildard. We view the Palais Ducal and visit the local museum. Following a break for lunch on our own, we have free time to browse the ground, prayerfully contemplate St. Bernadette's life, or simply relax before our journey North-west to Paris. We arrive at our hotel in time for dinner and overnight.

Saturday, April 20 - Day 7 - PARIS - Today, following Mass at the Miraculous Medal Shrine of St. Catherine Laboure, we tour the sites of Paris, including a visit to the most enduring symbol of the French capital, the Notre Dame Cathedral on the Ile de la Cité.(if open for visit) While there, we also make a stop at the Holy Chapel believed to hold the Passion Relics, including nails and pieces of wood from the Cross of Calvary. We break for lunch on our own before continuing our city tour. As part of our tour, we pass by the Arc de Triomphe, Eiffel Tower and travel down the famous Champs-Elysees. We conclude our day at our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Sunday, April 21 - Day 8 - PARIS - This morning, following Mass nearby, we have the day at leisure to shop, explore or relax and see Paris at our own pace. Tonight, we have the opportunity to enjoy the culinary delights of Paris as our "farewell" dinner will be on our own as a group. Overnight at our hotel

Monday, April 22 - Day 9 - PARIS/USA - Today, we depart Paris for the USA. We arrive later today with memories of a lifetime and a greater devotion to our patron St. Bernadette!

"Have questions about this pilgrimage? Ask us! Go to www.Unitours.com/questions."

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Please reserve ___ seats on this Marian Pilgrimage - April 14-22, 2024/

Enclosed please find a deposit of \$500 per person (Payable to Unitours, Inc.)

PLEASE ENCLOSE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT (Passport MUST be valid until October 22, 2024, or later.)

Name(s) as appears on passport:

My Roommate:

Name(s) as you would like them on name tags:

Address:

City, State & Zip:

Daytime Telephone

Email Address

Charge my deposit to ___ Visa ___ MasterCard ___ Amex ___ Discover

Card #

Exp. Date

I understand that certain charges such as air taxes, fuel surcharges and rates of exchange can affect the final cost and I agree to pay such costs should adjustments be necessary.

Signature

TOTAL TOUR PRICE: The tour price is based on airfare, cruise, land rates and rates of exchange in effect August 3, 2023. All rates are subject to change without prior notice. Should the rates go up or down, an adjustment would be made prior to departure. Refunds CANNOT be granted for any accommodations, services or events that are not used nor if you deviate from the tour. If fewer than 25 pilgrims participate a price adjustment may be necessary.

PASSPORT AND VISA REQUIREMENTS: A valid passport is required. At the time of printing, U.S. citizens holding valid passports DO NOT REQUIRE visas or immunization for the country or countries being visited. Passport MUST be valid until October 22, 2024, or later. Citizens of countries other than U.S. - please contact the consulate of the country or countries being visited to determine visa requirements.

AIR TRANSPORTATION: International flight reservations are being held on Lufthansa Airlines. No stopovers are permitted. Any changes after tickets are issued carries a mandatory charge of \$200. Once the tickets are issued, they are NON-TRANSFERABLE AND NON-REFUNDABLE. Any requests to change a ticket once issued will incur a reissue fee of \$200 plus any fare differential will apply. Cancellation of air seat within 90 days of departure will incur a \$200 penalty.

DOMESTIC AIRFARE: For those who make domestic air arrangements to the originating city of this tour, your tour host and Unitours strongly recommend the purchase of tickets that can be changed without heavy fees and penalties as international flight schedules are always subject to change.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Specially selected hotels based on twin occupancy with private bath. Single Room supplement of \$810 will be charged where requested and available. If you do not have a roommate and Unitours is unable to arrange one, you will be billed for the single room supplement. All singles are subject to availability.

MEALS: Breakfast and Table D' Hote dinners are provided daily except where noted in the itinerary. An extra charge will be made when coffee, tea or other beverages are not included in the menu of the day with the dinner meal.

TIPS AND TAXES: Tips and taxes normally appearing on hotel and restaurant bills as service are included, as are all government and local taxes on hotels and meals, portage of one suitcase per person. International departure taxes of \$194 plus current fuel surcharges of \$500 are included (subject to change). TIPS TO TOUR MANAGER/GUIDES, DRIVERS OR DINING ROOMS STAFF OF \$79 ARE NOT INCLUDED. One average sized suitcase not exceeding 50 lbs total weight and 62 linear inches (height plus width plus depth) is permitted throughout the trip.

NOT INCLUDED: Expenses and items not specifically mentioned in this brochure are NOT covered, including but not limited to passport and visa fees, meals not listed and items of a personal nature such as laundry, wines, liquors, mineral waters, after dinner coffee or tea, sightseeing or services other than those specifically mentioned, tips and taxes mentioned above, excess baggage and insurance, etc.

DEPOSITS AND CANCELLATIONS: A deposit of \$500 is required to secure reservations. Any balance is to be paid in full no later than 60 days before departure of tour. Final payments received by Unitours after 45 days before departure must include a \$25 late payment fee. (This does not apply for new reservations made within 45 days of departure.) Reservations made within 60 days of departure must include full payment. Amex, Discover, Visa and MasterCard are accepted with signed reservation form. Final payments will be applied to same credit card on final payment due date

including insurance. Cancellations made from time of reservation to within 61 days prior to departure - - \$400 administration fee (charged to deposit) plus any air penalties noted above. In the event of a cancellation from 60 to 31 days prior to departure - - \$400 administration fee plus up to 50% of the land cost, plus any air penalties noted above. No refund for cancellations received within 30 days of departure. All cancellation and refund claims must be in writing to Unitours, Inc.

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DEVIATIONS: A service charge of \$50 pp will be applied for any deviations made in tour, (where possible), PLUS any additional air or land charges incurred.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Optional Travel Insurance is strongly recommended for your trip. See www.Unitours.com/TravelInsurance for full details. Cost of travel insurance for this trip starts at \$206. To cover preexisting conditions, insurance must be purchased with your reservation. (See reservation form). If paying by check, add insurance cost to your deposit. Insurance can also be purchased at the time of your final payment.

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