

Marian Shrines and Medjugorje

Pilgrimage

Your Pilgrimage Includes:

† Round-trip Airfare from New York (JFK)

† Airport Taxes and Fuel Surcharges

- † 12 Nights Accommodation at Centrally Located Hotels: (or similar)
 - ~ 2 Nights: Jun 21 Jun 23: Hotel Mercure Paris Eiffel Tower, France
 - ~ 3 Nights: Jun 23 Jun 26: Hotel Chapelle et Parc, Lourdes, France
 - ~ 1 Night: Jun 26 Jun 27: Hotel Abba, Burgos, Spain
 - ~ 2 Nights: Jun 27 Jun 29: Hotel Santa Maria, Fatima, Portugal
 - ~ 1 Night: Jun 29 Jun 30: Hotel Lumen, Lisbon, Portugal
 - ~ 3 Nights: Jun 30 Jul 03: Hotel or Villa Grace, Medjugorje
- † Breakfast and Dinner Daily
- † Wine and Mineral Water with Dinners
- † Transfers as per Itinerary
- † Transportation by Air-Conditioned Motor Coach
- † Wireless Headsets Where Needed
- † Assistance of a Professional Local Catholic Guide
- † Sightseeing and Admissions Fees as per Itinerary
- † Mass Daily & Spiritual Activities
- † Luggage Handling (1 Piece per Person)
- † Flight Bag & Digital Confirmation of All Travel Documents

\$5,468 per person from New York (JFK)

*All Pricing Based on Double Occupancy.

Pricing available from any airport.

June 20 - July 3, 2024

Paris | Lourdes | Loyola | Burgos | Salamanca Fatima | Santarem | Lisbon | Medjugorje

Sample Daily Itinerary

Day 1, Thu, Jun 20: Depart for Paris

Make your way to your local airport, where you will board your overnight flight(s). Your meals will be served on board.

Day 2, Fri, June 21: Arrive in Paris

Upon arrival in Paris, attend Mass at the magnificent Sacre Coeur Basilica that stands atop Montmartre Hill. The Basilica, dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, was originally built in 1914 as an act of penance for infidelity that France experienced during that time. While on your visit, in addition to the extraordinary artwork and architecture that forms the Basilica, you will see the beautiful mosaic of the Risen Christ and the remarkable Grand Organ. Celebrate Mass at the Crypt that contains the Tombs of many notable Cardinals. Following this visit, check into your hotel and enjoy remainder of the day to explore Paris or your own, rest or reflect. Dinner and overnight in Paris.

Day 3, Sat, Jun 22: Paris

Today, you will enjoy a full sightseeing tour of Paris. After breakfast, you will visit and celebrate Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, where you will view the incorrupt body of St. Catherine Laboure. The Saint's guardian angel led her to the chapel, where the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to her. During apparitions, Our Lady repeatedly instructed the making and purpose of the Miraculous Medal, as well as the green scapular. After Mass, we will walk to Saint Vincent de Paul Church. On our panoramic sightseeing tour, view the most recognizable symbol of the city of Paris, the Eiffel Tower. Pass by Invalides, the L'Arch de Triomphe, a monument that symbolizes gratitude for those who fought for France. This monument stands at the West end of the Champ-Elysees, one of the world's most famous boulevards and another one of our stops on the sightseeing tour. We will stop at La Madeleine, with the statue of Mary Magdalene carried to heaven by angels. Due to the tragic fire at Notre Dame Cathedral on April 15th, 2019 pilgrims are not allowed to enter the Cathedral. Pilgrims will still have the opportunity to view the Cathedral from outside, and we expect the sacred relics to be on display in a nearby church or museum. Continue and pass by the Opera and the ever famous Louvre Museum.* Your day ends with a lovely meal and overnight. *Regretfully, we will not visit the Louvre due to time limitations. However, if you wish to extend your stay in Paris, this museum is worth it.

Day 4, Sun, Jun 23: Paris Airport - Lourdes

Following breakfast transfer to Paris airport for your short flight to Lourdes. Upon arriving at Pau airport, embark on scenic drive to Lourdes. Check-in to your hotel and relax or explore. Following dinner, you will have time to pray the Rosary and attend the candlelight procession. (April-October only). Following this prayerful experience, you will return to your hotel for an overnight.

Day 5 & 6, Mon and Tue, Jun 24 and Jun 25: Lourdes

Over the next two days, you will pray and meditate at Lourdes, another site of Our Lady's apparitions. Our Lady first appeared to Bernadette in 1858, and announced herself as "The Immaculate Conception", near the Grotto of Massabielle. During the apparitions, Our Lady emphasized God's love for us, penance and the necessity of performing acts of penance for sinners. Attend Mass at the Grotto where Our Lady appeared to Bernadette; watch a video presentation that explains, in detail, the story of Lourdes; drink water from the miraculous spring that has healed many; and submerge yourself in the healing baths. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to meditate upon the "life size" Stations of the Cross that overlook the Grotto of Massabielle. See Boly Mill, the birthplace of St. Bernadette, and the "Cachot," an abandoned prison where Bernadette's impoverished family lived. Each evening following dinner, you will have an opportunity to attend the candlelight procession and the Rosary before a restful overnight.

Day 7, Wed, Jun 26: Lourdes - Loyola - Burgos

Following breakfast, transfer from Lourdes to Loyola to visit the birthplace of St. Ignatius, founder of the Jesuit Order. See the 17th-century Basilica dedicated to this remarkable saint - the Basilica is part of a series of buildings surrounding the "Holy House," or birthplace of St. Ignatius. Pray at the most venerated room, where St. Ignatius prayed and began his conversion. Enjoy free time for lunch and then we will continue to Burgos, the historic capital of Old Castile for dinner. Following dinner, explore the city of Burgos and admire its magnificent limestone, gothic-style Cathedral. Late this evening, you will return to your hotel for a restful overnight.

Day 8, Thu, Jun 27: Burgos - Salamanca - Fatima

Depart Burgos and head to Salamanca which is a city in the Castilla y Leon region known for the oldest university in Spain that is still active along with its prominent culture. Our walking tour will bring us to the most noteworthy sites, such as: the grand Plaza Mayor, an iconic square filled with food, shopping, and city events. La Clerecia, a church, and college of the Jesuit Order constructed in the seventeenth century. La Casa de las Conchas currently a public library and monument. The Roman Bridge is a national monument that extends along the River Tormes and is among Salamanca's sturdiest bridges. La Iglesia de San Marcos, dedicated to St. Martin de Porres, is constructed in the Romanesque style and contains breathtaking paintings that portray many scenes of Our Lady's life. Visit the inside of the two joint Salamanca Cathedrals (old and new), one Romanesque style and the other Gothic style. Continue to Fatima for dinner and overnight.

Day 9, Fri, Jun 28: Experience Fatima

Today will surely be a memorable experience as you pray at one of Our Blessed Mother's apparition sites. Our Lady appeared to three shepherd children every month from May until October of 1917. Our Lady's most prominent message was to pray for world peace. Visit the Little Chapel of the Apparitions where the Virgin Mary first appeared on May 13, 1917. Continue with a visit to the stunning neoclassical Church, the Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary. This Sacred space contains the tombs of St. Francisco, St. Jacinta, and Sister Lucia. View the monument that commemorates the Sacred Heart of Jesus, in the square. Visit the Museum with the exhibition, Fatima: Light and Peace. Continue with a visit to the Holy Trinity Basilica. After lunch, participate in the Stations of the Cross along the Via Sacra. The "Sacred Way" marks the path taken by the shepherd children of Fatima to their first apparition with Our Lady. It is composed of fifteen small chapels in commemoration of the Passion of Our Lord. The fifteenth station, the Resurrection, can be found close to the Chapel of Calvary, dedicated to St. Stephen, King of Hungary. The day ends with a visit to Valinhos, the site of Our Lady's August 1917 apparition and the first and third apparition of the Angel. Your night will conclude with private devotions, and a candlelight procession, requested by Our Lady (1917). Enjoy dinner and a comfortable night's rest in Fatima.

Day 10, Sat, Jun 29: Fatima - Santarem - Lisbon

On the way to Lisbon, we will stop at St. Stephens Church in the town of Santarem to celebrate Mass and venerate the 13th century Eucharistic Miracle. Continue to Lisbon and enjoy panoramic tour which will include St. Jerome's Monastery. We will drive by the Belem Tower and many landmarks, like; the 25th of April Bridge, the Basilica of the Star, and the Marquee of Pombal Square. Our last stop will be St. Anthony's Church which is built upon the site of the saint's birth. Best known as St. Anthony of Padua (Italy), he was born and baptized here in Lisbon, Portugal. Welcome dinner and overnight in Lisbon.

Day 11, Sun, Jun 30: Lisbon Airport - Medjugorje

Today, depart from Lisbon for your flight(s) to Medjugorje. Upon arrival, you will be greeted by your tour guide and/or driver, who will take you on the 2.5 hour drive to the village of Medjugorje. Dinner and overnight

Day 12 and Day 13, Mon & Tue, Jul 01 & Jul 02: In Medjugorje

While in Medjugorje, share in the faith journey of pilgrims from all over the world as you experience this peaceful village. A local guide will accompany your group throughout your stay. Participate in spiritual activities including attending Mass at St. James Church, climbing Apparition Hill, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, climbing Mount Krizevac, meeting with the visionaries (pending their availability), visiting the Community of Cenacolo, and praying at the Statue of the Risen Christ.

Day 14, Wed, Jul 03: Return Home

After an early breakfast and heartfelt farewells, your group will leave by motor coach for Dubrovnik, Split or Sarajevo Airport for return flights home.