



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit Two Countries: France & Italy
- Walk in the Foot Steps of Saints;  
Therese of Lisieux, John Vianney,  
Bernadette, Martin de Tours, Catherine of  
Sienna
- Visit the Chapels of the Sacred Heart where  
Jesus appeared to St Margaret Mary Alacoque
- The Miraculous Medal where the Blessed  
Mother Appeared to St Catherine of Laboure
- Marian Sites; Lourdes, La Salette & Miraculous  
Medal
- Walk the Beach of Normandy
- Major Basilicas and Cathedrals of Paris  
Notre Dame, St Chapelle,

All inclusive cost from San Diego  
\$6,990

Price includes round-trip airfare from San Diego

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\$500 Deposit Required to Make Reservation  
Balance Due: January 15, 2024

Meetings at 6:30 pm in the Gift Shop:

December 13, 2023

January 10, 2024

January 31, 2023

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## FEATURES & INCLUSIONS

- 16 overnight in France/ hotels and pilgrims  
houses, rooms with private facilities
- 3 overnight in Rome / hotel with private  
facilities
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- All transfers by deluxe air-conditioned  
motor coach
- Dedicated spiritual director
- Professional tour escort & local guides
- Daily Mass
- Entrance fees as per the itinerary

## Not included:

- Expenses of personal nature
- Meals and drinks other than indicated
- Tips for guide and driver / 150 USD per  
person/



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# First Daughters of the Church SHRINES OF FRANCE & ROME

April 2, 2024 - April 22, 2024



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# ITNERARY

## DAY 1 – APRIL 2 – DEPART

Flight to Munich. Meals served in-flight.

## DAY 2 – APRIL 3 – TOULOUSE – LOURDES

Flight to Toulouse. Upon arrival you will be met by your guide and transferred to a hotel in Lourdes for dinner and overnight. /175 km, approx. 2,5 hr.

## DAY 3 – APRIL 4 – LOURDES

During your stay in Lourdes we celebrate Mass at the Grotto, we pray for the sick and drink water from the miraculous spring. Submerge yourself at the baths and visit the places connected with St Bernadette. Dinner and overnight in Lourdes. Dinner and overnight in Lourdes.

## DAY 4 – APRIL 5 – LOURDES

Day at leisure. Time for private devotion.



## DAY 5 – APRIL 6 – AVIGNON AND THE PALAIS DES PAPES.

After morning Mass transfer to Avignon 490 km/ approx. 6 hr./ This walled city was the capital of Christianity in the 14th century and home to 8 popes. Dinner and overnight in Avignon.

## DAY 6 – APRIL 7 – LA SALETTE FRENCH ALPS MARIAN SHRINE

Transfer to La Salette / 250 km, approx. 4,5 hr./This spectacular setting is a series of towering mountains, far from the busy world. Mass at the Sanctuary of La Salette where the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to two visionaries in 1846. Dinner and overnight in La Salette.

## DAY 7 – APRIL 8 – ARS – SHRINE OF ST. JOHN VIANNEY

After morning Mass transfer to Ars / 200 km, approx. 3,5 hr./ Curé D'ars French priest, the patron saint of parish priests, who was renowned as a confessor and for his supernatural powers. Mass in the Church which contains his incorrupt remains. Explore the Cure's living quarters. Dinner and overnight in Ars.



## DAY 8 – APRIL 9 – CLUNY ABBEY

Travel through the French countryside to Cluny, a Benedictine Abbey in ruins destroyed during the French Revolution. /60 km, approx.1 hr./ Cluny was a keystone to the stability of European society and a leader of western monasticism in the Middle Ages. Dinner and overnight in Paray le Monial.

## DAY 9 – APRIL 10 – PARAY - LE - MONIAL

Mass in the Chapel of the Apparitions, where the Sacred Heart of Jesus appeared to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. Guided tour of the Sacred Heart Basilica known as a little sister of Cluny. Dinner and overnight in Paray-Le - Monial.

## DAY 10 – APRIL 11 – NEVERS

Travel to Nevers. /110 km, approx.2 hr./ On arrival at Nevers Mass by St. Bernadette & incorrupt body. Guided tour of St. Gildard convent followed by time at leisure for private devotions. Dinner and overnight at the convent of St. Gildard in Nevers.

## DAY 11 – APRIL 12 – TOURS

Travel to Tours. /230 km, approx.3 hr./ On arrival walking tour of the city including the gothic Cathedral dedicated to the first bishop of Tours St Gatien. Mass at the basilica of St Martin a neo-Byzantine edifice built on the site of previous churches erected in honor of St. Martin, bishop of Tours in the 4th century. Dinner and overnight in Tours.

## DAY 12 – APRIL 13 – TOURS – MOUNT SAINT MICHEL

Transfer to Mount St Michel. /280 km, approx. 4 hr./ Mass at St Peters Church at Mount St Michel. Dinner and overnight in Mont St Michel.

## DAY 13 – APRIL 14 – MOUNT SAINT MICHEL

After morning Mass guided tour of the Abbey, second oldest shrine in Europe dedicated to St Michel the Archangel. Afternoon at leisure to explore the tidal island. Dinner and overnight in Mont St Michel.

## DAY 14 – APRIL 15 – NORMANDY BEACHES - LISIEUX

Travel to the Normandy Beaches. /160 km, approx. 2 hr./ Guided tour includes the American Cemetery and Omaha Beach. Transfer to Lisieux /120 km, approx. 1,5 hr./ Afternoon Mass at the Basilica of St. Therese of the Child Jesus. Dinner and overnight in Lisieux.

## DAY 15 – APRIL 16 – LISIEUX – PARIS

After morning Mass guided tour of Buissonnets, “Little Teresa’s” home and the Carmelite Chapel Treasury. Afternoon transfer to Paris /210 km, approx. 2,5 hr./. Dinner and overnight in Paris.

## DAY 16 – APRIL 17 – PARIS

Mass at the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal where our Blessed Mother appeared to Sr. Catherine Laboure in 1830. Venerate the relics of “the father of the poor” St. Vincent De Paul in the nearby shrine. Orientation tour of Paris. Visit the Magnificent Notre Dame Cathedral and St Chapelle the masterpiece of gothic style. Overnight in Paris.

## DAY 17 – APRIL 18 – CHARTRES

Day trip to Chartres. Mass celebrated at the Basilica of Our Lady in Chartres. After dinner, this evening, enjoy a special one-hour cruise on the Seine River to see the main illuminated monuments of Paris while passing 25 bridges. Overnight in Paris.



## DAY 18 – APRIL 19 – PARIS – ROME

Afternoon flight to Rome via Frankfurt. Upon arrival you will be met by your guide and transferred to a hotel in Rome for dinner and overnight.

## DAY 19 – APRIL 20 – VATICAN – St. PETER & ST PAUL

After morning Mass at St. Peter’s enjoy a guided tour of the Basilica built on the site where the Prince of the Apostles was martyred and buried. Pray at the tomb of St. Paul John II. Visit the Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel. After lunch continue down the Appian Way that leads to the Domino Quo Vadis Chapel, the Baths of Caracalla and the catacomb of St. Callixtus. Visit St. Paul Outside the Walls Basilica, the burial site of the apostle of Gentiles. Dinner and overnight in Rome.

## DAY 20 – APRIL 21 – CHRISTIAN ROME, MAJOR BASILICAS

Sightseeing tour of “Christian Rome”. Visit St John Lateran and proceed to Scala Sancti, the Holy Stairs that Jesus had climbed before being sentenced to death. Continue to the minor basilica of the Holy Cross where you can venerate the relics of Christ’s Crucifixion brought to Rome by St. Helena. After lunch see St Mary Major the first Marian shrine in the Catholic Church where we celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight in Rome. After dinner tour Rome by night including Trevi Fountain.

