

Treasures of Our Faith

Featuring

Amazing Marian Shrines
Carmelite & Jesuit Shrines, plus:
Eucharistic Miracle, Incorruptible, Castles, & more

April 3rd to 17th, 2024

15-DAY TRIP INCLUDES:

- MOST REVEREND JOHN DOERFLER, BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF MARQUETTE, MI, AS CHAPLAIN.
- DEACON STEPHEN GRETZINGER AND WIFE JACKIE.
- JUAN LANDA FROM MATER DEI ® AS TOUR DIRECTOR.
- PACKAGED AIR TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE FROM CHICAGO O'HARE TO LISBON RETURNING FROM PARIS TO CHICAGO (VIA LISBON). OTHER CITIES MAY BE AVAILABLE AT AN ADD-ON COST (PILGRIMAGE IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON A LAND-ONLY BASIS).
- ACCOMMODATIONS IN VERY NICE PROPERTIES.
- 27 MEALS: 13 BREAKFASTS; 1 LUNCH; 13 DINNERS.
- VISITS AND TOUR ADMISSIONS AS LISTED ON ITINERARY.
- SPIRITUAL PROGRAM INCLUDING HOLY MASS DAILY (IN UNFORGETTABLE PLACES), REFLECTIONS, SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION, EUCHARISTIC ADORATION, WAY OF THE CROSS AND MORE.
- TRANSPORTATION ON AIR-CONDITIONED MOTORCOACH.
- PROFESSIONAL CHAUFFEUR THROUGHOUT THE TOUR.
- ENGLISH SPEAKING LOCAL EXPERT TOUR GUIDES.
- HOSPITALITY, LOCAL GOVERNMENT SALES TAXES & FEES ALSO ALL AIR TAXES, GOVERNMENT AND TICKET FEES & FUEL SURCHARGES RELATED TO AIRFARE (SUBJECT TO CHANGE).
- TIPS INCLUDED FOR PORTERAGE SERVICES (WHEREVER OFFERED) AND ALL INCLUDED MEALS. (NOT INCLUDED FOR DRIVERS & LOCAL MANAGER GUIDE, CITY GUIDES & HOUSEKEEPERS).
- FULL TRAVEL DOCUMENTATION WITH E-TICKETS, HOTEL LIST, LUGGAGE TAGS, & MORE, IN A REUSABLE DOCUMENT HOLDER.

Not included: Tips & gratuities of Local City Tour Guides, Tour Manager & Drivers (approximately \$15 - \$17 per day per person - read confirmation information for suggestions). Housekeeper tip and Mass offertories at will.

*A 15-day True Catholic Pilgrimage
to **Portugal**, **Spain** and **France***



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Pilgrimage Featured Highlights

- ✦ Santarem: Sanctuary of the Eucharistic Miracle
- ✦ Fatima: Sanctuary, Tombs of Saints Jacinta & Francisco (and Lucia), House of the Little Shepherds, Mary's apparition sites, Angel apparition sites. Stay walking distance to the Shrine!
- ✦ Alba de Tormes: Tomb of St. Teresa of Avila
- ✦ Avila: St. Teresa's Birthplace and life
- ✦ Segovia: Roman Aqueduct, Cathedral, Alcazar Castle, Tomb of St. John of the Cross
- ✦ Sigüenza: Castillo de Sigüenza
- ✦ Zaragoza: Shrine of Our Lady of the Pillar (1st recorded Marian apparition)
- ✦ Montserrat: Shrine of Our Lady of Montserrat
- ✦ Manresa: Cave of St. Ignatius and shrine
- ✦ Barcelona: Sagrada Familia and panoramic tour
- ✦ Lourdes: Sanctuary, Grotto, Cashot, Mill, Baths (water experience). Stay very close to the Shrine!
- ✦ TGV Experience (High Speed Train Ride)
- ✦ Lisieux: Life of St. Therese (Home, Carmel, Cathedral, Basilica)
- ✦ Normandy: Omaha Beach and American Cemetery
- ✦ Paris: Chapel of the Miraculous Medal & St. Vincent de Paul Chapel, Louvre, and more!

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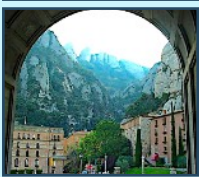
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Meals' Legend:
M = Airplane Meals B = Breakfast
L = Lunch D = Dinner

Day 8: Wednesday, April 10th: Monserrat,

Manresa & Barcelona. (B, D) Drive to the bulbous mountain range on the outskirts of Barcelona to reach the **Marian Monastery of Montserrat**, a magnificent and historical Marian Shrine visited by many saints over the centuries, including **St. Ignatius of Loyola** himself. Nestled above the clouds of Cataluña at the Shrine of Montserrat houses the image of **Our Lady of Montserrat** above the Altar, to whom St. Ignatius surrendered his sword. Afterwards, continue to **Manresa** to visit the **“Cova de Sant Ignasi”** (the Cave of St. Ignatius), where St. Ignatius prayed for 10 months and wrote the famous spiritual exercises. **Holy Mass*** to be celebrated either in Manresa or Montserrat. This afternoon, travel back to **Barcelona** and enjoy a panoramic tour (from the bus) of the largest city and Capital of Cataluña. From the bus, see Gaudi’s famous Sagrada Familia as well as the Gothic Cathedral, Plaza de Cataluña, Plaza de Colón, and the famous Ramblas. Enjoy dinner with your group tonight. [Moderate Walking Day]



Day 9: Thursday, April 11th: Adios España, Bon Jour La

France! Lourdes. (B, D) Depart Cataluña this morning heading towards Lourdes, France. After crossing the border into France, we continue to another one of the most famous Marian Shrines in the world, **Our Lady of Lourdes**. Upon arrival, we walk to the Shrine for **Holy Mass*** in one of the shrine's chapels. An **orientation walk** of the shrine's grounds follows. This evening, relax and freshen up for dinner at our hotel. After dinner, join pilgrims from around the world for the inspiring **Rosary Torch Procession**. [Light Walking Day]



Day 10: Friday, April 12th: Lourdes. (B, D)

Enjoy a special day in Lourdes. Begin with **Holy Mass*** at the **grotto** (site of the apparitions - Mass* might be concelebrated with other English speaking



priests). Afterwards, you may opt for a personal day at leisure in Lourdes (time to go to the baths, participate in personal devotions, etc.) or you may want to follow your escorts on an informal **orientation walk** of the **Lourdes of St. Bernadette**, including sites like the **Mill**, where **St. Bernadette** was born, and the **"Cashot,"** where Bernadette's family lived. At 5:00 pm, there is a **Eucharistic Procession with Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction**. The remainder of the day is at your leisure. After dinner join pilgrims from around the world for the inspiring **Rosary torch procession** at 9:00 pm. [Moderate to Heavy Walking Day]

Day 11: Saturday, April 13th: Paris, Lisieux. (B, D) Our

memorable visit to Lourdes ends as we embark on the **TGV (high speed train)** from Lourdes to Paris. In Paris, relax as we ride in our private coach to **Lisieux, France, home of St. Therese of the Child Jesus**, another Carmelite female Doctor of the Church (Church's youngest). Visit the magnificent **Basilica of Sainte Therese** with chapels representing different countries of the world. Its crypt is adorned with beautiful mosaics and on certain occasions, the **relics of Saints**



Louis and Zélie Martin (parents of St. Therese) are displayed here. After Mass, check-in at our hotel where we enjoy dinner with the group. [Light Walking Day]



Day 12: Sunday, April

14th: Lisieux & Omaha

Beach. (B, D) After breakfast, walk to the **Carmel of Lisieux**, where St. Therese lived from April 9, 1888 to September 30, 1897. She entered the Carmel as one of the youngest Carmelites ever, and died at the age of 24. In the Carmel, the tomb of St. Therese is adorned with a beautiful color statue depicting St. Therese at her death. **Holy Mass*** is celebrated here. Depart for the beaches of Normandy to see the **D-Day Invasion Landing Beaches**, where thousands of allied soldiers fought to liberate France from the evils of Nazism. Many brave soldiers lost their lives here so afterwards we visit the famous and impacting **American Cemetery**, with thousands of tombstones in perfect formation. As we walk by these tombstones, our group will pray a moving rosary for the souls of all the buried soldiers, and also for the protection of the many men and women in our Armed Forces, wherever they are in the world. After our unforgettable visit, return to Lisieux to visit **Les Buissonnets**, the house of Saints Louis and Zelig Martin where Therese lived 11 years of her life. The house is preserved as if the Martins were still living there. If time allows, see **St. Peter's Cathedral of Lisieux**, which still conserves the **confessional** used by St. Therese for her first confession. The Cathedral has a very interesting history dating back to the year 1149. Enjoy your group for dinner at our hotel. [Moderate to Heavy Walking Day]



Day 13: Monday, April 15th: Paris, France. (B, D) After

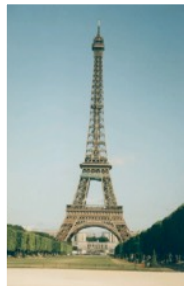
breakfast, depart Lisieux for **Paris, Capital of France**. Enjoy a panoramic driven tour (from the bus) with sights like the **Eiffel Tower**, the **Arc de Triomphe**, **Champs Elysees**, the **Siene River**, its famous bridges, **Place de la Concorde** and more (if reconstruction efforts and traffic allow, we may have a chance of a glimpse at **Notre Dame Cathedral**). The



highlight of our visit is the **Chapel of the Miraculous Medal**, where **Our Lady** appeared to **St. Catherine Laboure** (the Saint's incorrupt body is in the same chapel). Then, visit **St. Vincent De Paul's** remains at a chapel nearby. **Holy Mass*** is celebrated at one of the churches of Paris. Tonight, climb



Montmartre (Hill of Martyrs) while praying the rosary. Once there, enjoy a brief time for **Eucharistic Adoration*** at the **Sacre Coeur** (Sacred Heart) **Basilica** (*if available). Join your fellow pilgrims for a memorable dinner in Montmartre. Check into our Paris Hotel and pack for our return



flight. [Long day and moderate walking except for stair climbing of Mont Martre (elevator optional for a fee)]. [Moderate to Heavy Walking Day]

Day 14: Tuesday, April 16th: Paris All Day. (B, D)

Start this day in Paris with more panoramic sightseeing from the bus, including a peek at the legendary **Cathedral of Paris, Notre Dame (Our Lady of Paris)**. All experts agree that this Cathedral was the epitome of a Gothic Masterpiece! Afterwards, prepare to visit what is arguably the world's most famous art museum! **The Louvre!** Here you will have time to explore on your own some of the world's greatest art masterpieces, like the **Mona Lisa**. A big surprise to most people who visit the Louvre, is that this museum houses some of the World's best collections of religious art! For archeology buffs, Le Louvre also houses amazing treasures of humanity's history! **Farewell Holy Mass*** requested at Chapelle de Picpus (Sanctuaire Notre-Dame de Paix et Saint-Michel) next to the cemetery that houses the remains of the Carmelite Martyrs. This evening, join the group for an unforgettable **farewell dinner**, reminiscing all our moments experienced together.

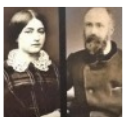
Day 15: Wednesday, April 17th: Return to USA. (B, M) Transfer to the airport to board your homebound flight. As your plane takes off, take one last look out the window at the unique landscape of these beautiful lands and say:

Au Revoir France! ¡Adios España! Adeus Portugal!

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Upon arrival, you will be processed by
U.S. Homeland Security.
Welcome Home!

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Deposits: A deposit of \$500 per person is required to secure your space to Mater Dei Tours. Your deposits are used to cover and guarantee your space. **Deposits will be refunded in the event the tour does not meet the minimum quorum necessary to make the trip possible.** If you use a credit card as payment, you agree that if any cancellation penalties are due, Mater Dei Tours is authorized to charge the penalties to the credit card listed on the registration.

Final Payments: Full payment must be made no later than **100 days** prior to departure unless otherwise stated. Payments may be made by check, Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express. If payment is not received as scheduled, your reservation may be automatically canceled and your deposit payment is forfeited. If you use a credit card as payment, for your convenience, you may opt to have Mater Dei Tours charge your balance to the same authorized credit card on the registration form by simply calling us with your verbal authorization.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be received in writing to our company prior to tour departure during normal business hours (9:00am to 5:00pm CST, Monday through Friday). All Cancellations are subject to the following per person penalties prior to departure:

100 days or before.....	\$500.00
99 to 90 days.....	25% of tour
89 to 70 days.....	50% of tour
69 to 50 days.....	75% of tour
49 to 0 days.....	100% of tour (No Refunds)

Mater Dei Tours cannot refund independent purchases of Airfare or Travel Insurance Premiums.

If you use a credit card as payment, you agree that if any cancellation penalties are due, Mater Dei Tours is authorized to charge the penalties to your credit card on record. Traveler agrees to forfeit their reserved space if payment is not made by the designated date. In the case of an approved refund, a 3% fee will be charged to cover merchant fees.

For price, taxes, fees & deposit and balance information, please see registration sheet.

Registration Deadline:

December 26th, 2023

(space may sell out before deadline)

Tour Membership: To ensure a positive experience, Mater Dei Tours reserves the right to reject any client (before or during the trip at the expense of the traveler) whose conduct is incompatible with the interest of the group. Mater Dei Tours is not responsible for lost persons and for the expenses incurred while being lost. Each traveler assumes responsibility for staying with the group.

Travelers with Special Needs: Passengers who require attention must advise the tour operator at the time of booking. A qualified and physically able companion must accompany travelers who need such assistance and must assume full responsibility for their well being. Coaches are not equipped with wheelchair accessible ramps, therefore all tour members must be able to mount 3 to 5 steps into the coach. **Participants should expect to walk at least 1 to 3 miles minimum in one day.** Walking surfaces may at times be uneven. Mater Dei Tours is not responsible for denial of service by any suppliers.

Young Travelers: Travelers who are less than 18 years old on the departure date must be accompanied by an adult and must share the adult's accommodations. If a child will be traveling with adults other than the parents or with only one parent, it is highly recommended that a notarized letter be written by the parents or non-traveling parent granting authorization to travel, including the dates of travel. We suggest that you also contact the appropriate consulate and airlines because they may have additional requirements.

Roommate Assignments: Mater Dei Tours will make every reasonable attempt to find you a roommate. However, this is not guaranteed. If no roommate is found by the registration deadline, the passenger will have the option to upgrade to a single room (if available) by paying the single occupancy or cancel altogether with a full refund. Mater Dei Tours cannot be held responsible if the roommate you were assigned to is not agreeable to you. If you desire to get your own room, you will be responsible for all the financial consequences of such action, including but not limited to, covering the single occupancy costs of both you and your ex-roommate.

Air Transportation: We have selected airlines that are most suitable with land arrangements. All fares are subject to government approval and are subject to change without notice. Airfares are guaranteed once they have been paid in full and ticketed. Name changes required after tickets have been issued are subject to cancellation and re-ticketing at a higher fare and subject to change fees. Some airlines do not allow you to earn, and/or upgrade with frequent flier miles for group bookings.

Airline Seating: Passengers who require specific seating due to medical conditions are advised to obtain Doctor's Orders so the airlines may have proof of the condition and may accommodate the order. In addition to making the request through our company, please bring the doctor's note to the ticket counter. Passengers who desire a specific non-medical related seat are requested to contact the airline directly, approximately 30 days prior to departure for preferred seating. Group seating is under control of the airline and Mater Dei Tours can only pass on your requests.

Voluntary changes to itinerary: Independent voluntary changes to an individual passenger's itinerary are usually not permitted by most of our tour suppliers. Some exceptions may be granted in a case-by-case basis. All change requests must be made prior to 45 days before departure. If passenger purchased a land only package, they are free to plan their own itinerary before or after the trip (read Land Only bookings for restrictions).

Not Included: All items of a personal nature (room service, beverages, telephone charges, laundry, etc) and meals not specified on the tour itinerary are not included and must be paid by the passenger.

Accommodations and Itinerary: Land arrangements are provided as described in the tour program. The tour company reserves the right to change or substitute (1) hotels for accommodations in similar categories (2) or features of the itinerary in order to accommodate changes in the schedule.

Meals: Meals are provided as specified in the tour program. If you require special meals due to medical dietary restrictions, we must receive written details of your requirements at the time of booking. We cannot guarantee that each and every vendor will honor your requested diet, but every effort will be made to report and accommodate these requests. No weight loss plans or special nutrition diets can be accommodated.

Passports: Obtaining a passport is the sole responsibility of the passenger. Passports must be current and valid beyond the dates of travel. **Your airline ticket name must match your passport name or you may be denied boarding the airplane.** Passengers who are denied boarding due to discrepancies between ticket and passport names or because of expired passports accept full responsibility and are subject to the cancellation terms of the tour. Some countries, such as Israel, require that your passport expiration be 6 months beyond your travel dates. **We recommend that you apply for your passports (if needed) no later than 3 months before departure.**

Tips: Gratuities for baggage, hotel and restaurants detailed in the itinerary are included. **Gratuities for Tour Guide and Motor-coach Driver are NOT included** (unless otherwise stated in the brochure). Please read your "Essential Reading Material" (provided with your documents) for recommendations on tipping. Please budget accordingly.

Smoking: Smoking is not allowed on the motor-coach but frequent stops are made throughout the day.

Travel Health: This pilgrimage is being operated under the premise that it is safe to travel under the current health protocols. If governmental authorities and/or our tour vendors, declare that it is no longer safe to travel because of Covid-19 (or any other sickness), Mater Dei will need to cancel the pilgrimage. If all our vendors cancel their services, Mater Dei will issue a full refund to all. If a passenger cancels because of fear of Covid-19 (or any other sickness), but authorities still declare that it is safe to travel as long as people practice the appropriate advice to keep proper hygiene to avoid contamination, the passenger shall be assessed the appropriate cancellation penalty detailed in the first column. Please consider bringing a face mask (may be required by some airlines and/or foreign governments), especially if you are coughing and sneezing. If you are sick with Covid-19 or any other sickness, please stay home.

Total Group Cancellation: If it becomes necessary to cancel an entire tour prior to departure, Mater Dei Tours will offer the next available date or will make a full refund of money paid as soon as all our vendors refund us your money. Mater Dei Tours cannot accept responsibility for any additional costs, fees or cancellation penalties relating to any independent non-refundable purchases (personal airfares, travel insurance, etc.). If you use a credit card as payment, traveler agrees to forfeit 3% of all credit card charges to cover merchant fees absorbed by Mater Dei.

Land Only Bookings: Passenger(s) who desire to book their own airfare do at their own risk. Land only passengers are responsible for connecting with the group at the hotel. Passenger(s) accept all responsibility for costs incurred due to misconnections with the group. Mater Dei Tours cannot accept responsibility for any additional costs or fees related to such a booking or for any cancellation penalties due to independent non-refundable airfare (even if Mater Dei Tours assisted with this booking).

Luggage: Handling of one piece of luggage per person at hotels is usually included in the cost of this tour wherever hotel luggage service is offered (some hotels do not have bell captains). Train tickets do not include portage. Luggage is carried at owner's risk throughout the tour (insurance suggested). Carry-on and hand baggage and small articles such as coats, umbrellas or cameras are entirely in the care of the passenger. Size and weight limitations for carry-on and checked baggage vary from airline to airline and even according to destination, and are becoming more restrictive. Airlines with domestic connections reserve the right to charge airline baggage fees. Some international flights are now charging airline baggage fees. Check your final documents for details of acceptable luggage fees, dimensions and weight allowed on your tour. **All baggage and personal effects are at all times and in all circumstances at the risk of the passenger. Baggage insurance is recommended** (see Travel insurance section below).

Validity: Rates in this brochure are valid for the travel period stated on the brochure, and are quoted on a per person sharing twin/double room basis. All prices are shown in U.S. Dollars and are calculated on currency rates and fares existing on the day the brochure was made. Mater Dei Tours reserves the right to alter prices at any time prior to departure and without prior notice due to currency exchange rates, taxes, fees or fuel surcharges increases.

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Travel Insurance: Mater Dei Tours recommends travel insurance for your travel investment. You must purchase this insurance independently. We also recommend that travel insurance be purchased only after Mater Dei Tours notifies the traveler when their deposit money has been charged or deposited.

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7 STEP REGISTRATION (Follow the numbered steps)



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Step 1

1st Passenger Information

(PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY IN BLOCK LETTERS)

Last Name (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY) †		† First Name (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY) Middle Name †	
Address †		City †	State † Zip Code †
M or F	Phone Numbers (CELL PREFERRED) †		Email Address (for faster communications) †
Date of Birth †		Place of Birth (State, Country) †	
Any Comments? Requests? Medical Conditions/Allergies/Diets? (Weight loss or specialty diets cannot be accommodated)			

Step 2A

**** Please check your desired Room Occupancy below ** NOTE: US PASSPORT IS REQUIRED FOR TRAVEL!**

Single Private Room

* Very limited

Sharing Room with 2nd person below

* Please write roommate's name on passenger 2

Sharing room (please find me a roommate)

* We will do everything to assign you a roommate

Triple Occupancy

* Not Available >>

Triple occupancy is not available on this pilgrimage

2B

2nd Passenger Information (only if you have a second passenger) (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY IN BLOCK LETTERS)

Last Name (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY) †		† First Name (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY) Middle Name †	
Address †		City †	State † Zip Code †
M or F	Phone Numbers (CELL PREFERRED) †		Email Address (for faster communications) †
Date of Birth †		Place of Birth (State, Country) †	
Any Comments? Requests? Medical Conditions/Allergies/Diets? (Weight loss or specialty diets cannot be accommodated)			

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3. A note about Travel Insurance (all registrations need to have this below item checked off)

We recommend travel insurance to protect your travel investment. You must purchase this insurance independently. We also recommend that travel insurance be purchased only after our company has notified you that your deposit has been charged or deposited. Exclusion of pre-existing medical conditions is usually waived if you purchase your insurance within 14 days from your deposit date on your confirmation statement. Note: You agree that Mater Dei Tours will not be held responsible for any non-refundable insurance premiums in case your tour is cancelled for any reason.

Optional Travel Insurance is additional. Information and suggestions will be included with your confirmation.

☐ < I UNDERSTAND < please check here that you understand that if you wish to protect your trip with travel insurance, you need to contact a travel insurance company directly or and insurance agent, once we notify you that your deposit has being charged.

