



May 22-June 1, 2023



Paris • Lourdes • Toulouse • Avignon • Paray-le-Monial



Beaune (Burgundy) • Dijon • Ars • Chartreuse • Annecy

Join Christendom College President Dr. Timothy O'Donnell and his wife, Cathy, as they lead a pilgrimage to the beautiful sites of Catholic France.

Price: \$4,700 (airfare included)

Space is limited.

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CHRISTENDOM COLLEGE

JOURNEY TO FRANCE

ITINERARY

May Be Subject to Change

- **May 22 - Day 1** - Depart Washington Dulles on nonstop to Paris CDG (United)
- **May 23 - Day 2** - Early morning arrival into Paris CDG (7:00AM) Meet guide and board coach for transfer into Paris - Panorama tour of Paris highlights by bus (or boat on River Seine). Early afternoon check-in to hotel. Later this afternoon visit Sacra Coeur on Monte Marte. Overnight in Paris.
- **May 24 - Day 3** - Visit Miraculous Medal Chapel (Rue du Bac) in the morning. Early afternoon departure on TGV (fast train) to Lourdes with an early evening arrival (in time for dinner). Candlelight and evening Rosary and Procession. Overnight in Lourdes.
- **May 25 - Day 4**
Full day to enjoy Lourdes. Morning orientation and tour of the Shrine followed with Mass in Upper Basilica. Afternoon free to take in the baths of Lourdes - Evening Rosary and candlelight Procession. Overnight in Lourdes.
- **May 26 - Day 5** - Morning departure from Lourdes traveling east. Late morning arrival in Toulouse to visit the Couvent des Jacobins - tomb of St. Thomas Aquinas (a great advocate of the Sacred Heart devotion). Then continue traveling east to the ancient city of Avignon for check in and rest.
- **May 27 - Day 6** - Full day to enjoy Avignon, city of the Popes from 1309 to 1377. Situated on the Rhone River, the origins of this city date back to pre-Christian times and it is a designated UNESCO World Heritage site. This morning take a tour of the Papal Palace and the ancient streets of the city. This afternoon enjoy free time. Overnight in Avignon.
- **May 28 - Day 7** - Morning departure from Avignon as we travel north to the Village of Ars for Mass at the Basilica of Ars (resting place of incorrupt St. Jean Vianney). Continue north to the province of Burgundy to check in to our hotel in quaint city of Beaune (surrounded by vineyards). Overnight in Beaune.
- **May 29 - Day 8** - This morning enjoy a visit to the famous Hotel-Dieu (Hospices de Beaune) founded by the Chancellor of Burgundy in 1443. Then continue a few miles to the north to Dijon, the Capital city of Burgundy. Our first stop would be at the Carmel of Flavignerot for Mass and to meet the sisters. It was this convent (formerly located in the city center) that St. Elizabeth of the Trinity was professed. Following Mass, visit the city center Church of St Michael to venerate the relics of newly canonized saint. Then, time permitting the Chateau and Basilica of Fontaine-les-Dijon containing the birth place of St. Bernard of Clairvaux, reformer of the Cistercians. Overnight in Beaune.
- **May 30 - Day 9** - Morning departure from Beaune. A beautiful day to make a pilgrimage stop in Paray-le-Monial also known as the city of the Sacred Heart. Late morning arrival with time to visit the Convent of the Visitation where, in 1674 for 13 months, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque received revelations from Christ asking for reparation for sins committed against His

Sacred Heart. Also visit the Chapel of St. Claude Colombiere, a Jesuit priest who was the spiritual director to St. Mary Alcoque. Then continue on Saint-Blaise in the French Alps for overnight.

- **May 31 - Day 10** - This morning travel southwest to Chartruese to see the Carthusian Monastery founded by St. Bruno in 1084. It was this monastery that inspired the filming of the movie, "Into the Great Silence". Here visit the modern day museum and then take a walk up to the Monastery to experience the silence. On our return to St. Blaise we will make our last but very important stop in the city of Annecy situated on a beautiful Lake Annecy. Here visit the Basilica of the Visitation which houses the tombs of St. Francis de Sales (Bishop of Geneva) and St. Jane de Chantel (Founder of the Visitation Order that St. Margaret Mary Alcoque joined). Tonight enjoy our farewell dinner to reminisce all the beautiful sites.
- **June 1 - Day 11** - Morning departure for nearby Geneva Airport to board a nonstop flight to Washington Dulles (United).

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

PAYMENT: A non-refundable deposit of \$750 is required to hold a reservation. Balance of payment is due 75 days prior to departure. Make check payable to Syversen Touring. If cancellation is received in writing more than 75 days prior to departure, a full refund excluding the \$750 deposit will apply. If cancellation in writing is received within 75 days prior to departure the deposit plus any amount that the airline, hotel & ground operator withhold are non-refundable. Personal Checks, Cashiers Checks & Credit Cards (with a 3.5% surcharge) are accepted

DOCUMENTATION: All passengers must have a valid passport. U.S. citizens do not need visas or vaccinations. However, visa and health requirements are subject to change. For citizens of other countries check with the consulate of Spain for entry requirements.

MEALS: As the meals offered on the tour are pre-set, we are not able to accommodate special dietary needs.

ITINERARIES: Itineraries and hotels are pre-arranged and are subject to change. Activities are scheduled according to the best information available at the time.

BAGGAGE: 1 average size suitcase plus 1 carry-on are permitted at no charge as well as a personal item such as a purse.

SINGLE OCCUPANCY: Tour costs are based on double room occupancy. Accommodation in a single room is available at an additional cost as specified on the tour application.

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HEALTH REQUIREMENTS: Travelers must be medically and physically fit for this tour. This tour requires significant walking, as transportation is not permitted to pick up and

drop off in front of major sites. The tour is not wheelchair accessible. Any special medical conditions or equipment must be advised in writing, for evaluation of feasibility, at the time of making your reservation.

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RESERVATION FORM

(one form per person, photo copies of form are permitted)

Cost: \$4,700 (Cost is based on double room occupancy. For single room occupancy, add \$795.)**To reserve:** fill out application below and send with a \$750 deposit to: SYVERSEN TOURING - P.O Box 509 Bangall, NY 12506 (Phone: 1-800-334-5425)☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Miss

Name (as appears on passport) _____

Date of Birth _____/_____/_____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ - _____ Cell Phone(_____) _____ - _____

Email address _____

Name for name Badge _____ Roommate _____

- ☐ I would like a roommate. Please put me in touch with other passengers looking for a roommate. I understand that I must pay the single supplement if no roommate is found.
- ☐ I prefer a single room and will pay an additional \$795. SINGLE ROOMS ARE LIMITED
- ☐ Passport (required): A copy of my passport's inside page (showing name and photo) is enclosed.
- ☐ I would like information on TRAVEL INSURANCE (highly recommended).

PAYMENT

A non-refundable deposit of \$750 is required to hold a reservation. Balance of payment is due 75 days prior to departure. If paying by credit card, please complete the information below.

Credit Card: ☐ Visa ☐ Master Card ☐ AmEx ☐ Discover

Name (as it appears on card) _____ Amount \$ _____

Card Number _____ Security code (back of card) _____ Exp _____/_____/_____

Card Billing Address _____

(I have received, read and agree to the TERMS & CONDITIONS on the backside of this form and the Liability clause and payment terms outlined on this side of the form. I understand that by signing this form, I will not dispute any credit card charges associated with this trip. I also understand that the cancellation terms and penalties cannot be waived for any reason.

Signature _____ (required to confirm reservation) Date _____/_____/_____

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