

**10 Day Pilgrimage to the Shrines of France**  
**visiting Lourdes, Ars, Paray Le Monial, Nevers, Lisieux,**  
**Normandy Landing Beaches, Mont St. Michel, Pontmain & Paris**

**Tour No. FRA1001**

Mon, Oct 1<sup>st</sup>: JFK/Toulouse

Depart on your overnight flight to Lourdes via Paris.

Tue, Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>: Toulouse/Lourdes

Upon arrival in Toulouse we board our motorcoach for our transfer to **Lourdes**. After time to rest, we visit the Grotto and the Basilica. After dinner we join the Candlelight Procession. (B,D)

Wed, Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>: Lourdes

This morning we have a walking tour of Lourdes. We visit the house where St. Bernadette was born and the Church where she was baptized. Remainder of the day is free to take the baths or join the Procession of the Blessing of the Sick. This evening join the Candlelight Procession. (B,D)

Thu, Oct 4<sup>th</sup>: Lourdes/Ars

Morning departure to **Ars**. Upon arrival, we visit the Sanctuary of St. John Vianney where we to see the body of the Cure of Ars. After our visit, we check in at our hotel. (B,D)

Fri, Oct 5<sup>th</sup>: Ars/ Paray Le Monial

Today we travel to **Paray Le Monial** where on December 27, 1673 Jesus mourned the world's ingratitude, indifference and coldness and asked Margaret Mary (St. Margaret Mary Alocque) for a Communion of Reparation on the First Friday of each month. (B,D)

Sat, Oct 6<sup>th</sup>: Paray Le Monial/Nevers/Lisieux

Morning departure to Lisieux. En route we stop at **Nevers** to visit the Convent of St. Gildard where we see the incorrupt body of St. Bernadette. After Mass, we continue to **Lisieux**. Upon arrival we visit Les Buissonnetts, childhood home of St. Therese, the Carmelite Convent where St. Therese spent her, short, but holy life as a nun, the Basilica of St. Therese of the Infant Jesus and St. Peter's Cathedral where St. Therese received the Sacraments. (B,D) (B,D)

Sun, Oct 7<sup>th</sup>: Lisieux/Normandy Landing Beaches/Lisieux

Today we visit the **Normandy Landing Beaches**. On these beaches - Omaha, Gold, Juno, etc. many Americans gave their lives in World War II. Next we visit the American Cemetery at St. Laurent. (B,D)

Mon, Oct 8<sup>th</sup>: Lisieux/Mont St. Michel/Pontmain

Our first stop today is **Mont St. Michel** which is known as the "Marvel of the West." Mont St. Michel is a Gothic-style Benedictine Abbey dedicated to the Archangel Michael. The Archangel Michael asked the local Bishop to build a Chapel on this spot. We will have free time to explore Mont St. Michel on our own. If you are ambitious, you can climb the 1,000 steps to the top of the Abbey. We continue to **Pontmain** where on the evening of January 17, 1871, the people were anxious about the advancing troops, but everyone went about their work as usual. In a barn in the middle of town two boys were helping

their father. Just before six in the evening, they took a break. The boys saw in the sky a “Lady dressed in a dark blue robe sprinkled with stars. She spread her hands in a gesture of welcome and smiled. Father Guerin, pastor of Pontmain for 35 years, was called and a prayer vigil began a veritable dialogue with the Virgin. After the Rosary, the Magnificat was sung. A white banner appeared in the sky with gold letters on it. Two little boys deciphered it: “Pray, My Children. God will answer before long.” As a result, the troops never reached Pontmain. (B,D)

Tue, Oct 9<sup>th</sup>: Pontmain/Paris

This morning we depart to **Paris** to visit Rue du Bac. At this convent the Blessed Virgin Mary revealed two of the greatest treasures of the world, the Miraculous Medal and the Green Scapular. In the Basilica we see the incorrupt body of St. Catherine Laboure and the incorrupt heart of St. Vincent de Paul. Next we visit the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. Located on the top of Montmartre Hill, the world famous Byzantine structure offers a sweeping view of Paris. The Basilica rests on the site where St. Denis was beheaded. It is said that he picked up his head and carried it 2 miles to the spot where the Abbey Church of St. Denis now stands. En route we have a panorama of the city. (B,D)

Wed, Oct 10<sup>th</sup>: Paris/USA

Morning departure to Paris airport for your return flight to the USA. (B)

Tour Price: Double \$2,299.00 per person Single Supplement \$ 500.00

PRICE INCLUDES: Air Fare from JFK, 3 & 4 Star Hotels, Deluxe Motorcoach, Sightseeing as per itinerary, Breakfast & Dinner Daily, Daily Mass, Porterage (one piece of luggage) at hotels, Taxes & Service Charges.

TRAVEL INSURANCE IS AVAILABLE AND ADVISABLE.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE FOR THIS TRIP IS \$ 185.00**

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Travel Insurance within 10 days of booking.**