



Marian Shrines Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain & France

September 11-23, 2023

13 days/11 nights

Fly evening nonstop from JFK!



Spiritual Chaplain: Rev. Henry Torres
Pastor of Mary of Nazareth Parish, Brooklyn, NY / former Parochial Vicar of St. Sebastian Church, Woodside NY
Hosted by: Maria Gochuico



Overnight at La Salette Sanctuary Guesthouse!

3 Nights in Paris, the City of Light

Visit Saint Chapelle, Miraculous Medal Chapel, Versailles Palace, plus a daytrip to Lisieux to see the sites associated with St. Therese.

2 Nights in Lourdes, site of St. Bernadette's Apparitions

Pray at Lourdes Grotto, immerse yourself in the holy waters, participate in the processions, and learn about the life of St. Bernadette.

2 Nights in Fatima, where the Miracle of the Sun occurred

Be present in Fatima for the September 13 anniversary of Our Blessed Mother's 5th apparition to the 3 children in 1917! Participate in the special celebrations.

Plus overnight in Avila, Avignon, La Salette and Paray-le-Monial



\$3,995 per person sharing twin room from JFK

Cost Includes: Roundtrip, nonstop air from JFK; 11 nights accommodations as described on itinerary or similar sharing twin bedded rooms with private bath; breakfast & dinner daily, including festive farewell dinner with wine on 9/22; comprehensive daily sightseeing with English speaking tour manager and local guides per itinerary on page 2; entrance fees to sites visited including Versaille Palace and Avignon Papal Palace; daily liturgy schedule planned; hotel taxes & services; portorage of one bag per person in Fatima, Avila, Lourdes and Avignon; air taxes of \$600, subject to changes until tickets are issued in July 2023.

Not included: Items not specified above, e.g. lunches; travel protection insurance (if purchased at time of deposit, pre-existing conditions are covered); group gratuities (\$150 per person will be pre-collected on final invoice); items of a personal nature, passport fees; visa fees for non U.S. citizens if applicable; portorage in La Salette, Paray-le-Monial and Paris (*not available*).



TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT:

Early Bird Special: \$100 off for deposits received through February 28th!

Otherwise, the deadline to reserve your spot is April 30, 2023.

Please complete the booking form below and submit with your deposit of \$500 + optional travel insurance. Final payment will be due on receipt of invoice in June 2023.

IMPORTANT: Please include a copy of your Passport valid through March 23, 2024 or beyond.

Arch RoamRight Travel Insurance based on trip cost of \$4,000 and Age

Pro Plan - Age 50-59: add \$212; Age 60-69: \$286; Age 70-74: \$384; Age 75-79: \$498; Age 80-84: \$711

ANY QUESTIONS? Contact Maria Gochuico

Tel: 718-445-9377 or 212-676-9070

BOOKING FORM

GRP # 2316 Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain & France with Rev. Henry Torres & Maria Gochuico; September 11-23, 2023. I (we) give my (our) deposit(s) of \$500 per person due as soon as possible to reserve your spot. If you are purchasing travel insurance, please add the insurance amount to your deposit check made payable to Far Away Tours.

Name: (Mr./Mrs./Ms) _____
Please PRINT official, legal first & last name as on passport, no nicknames!

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Tel: Home _____ Mobile: _____

E Mail: _____

Date of Birth (month/day/year): ___/___/___

For Reservation/Deposit or questions please call:
Maria Gochuico

Check payable to: Far Away Tours
Please send your deposit early! Motor coach seating will be assigned on a first come, first served basis.

___ Twin Room ___ Single Room (\$850)

Sharing room with _____

SEP 11/MON - DEPART JFK ON YOUR FLIGHT TO LISBON.

SEP 12/TUE - ARRIVE LISBON/SANTAREM/FATIMA. Meet your English speaking tour manager and board coach for an orientation city tour of the charming capital city of Portugal. Visit the Alfama district and see the birthplace chapel of St. Anthony of Padua. Continue to Fatima, stopping en-route in Santarem to visit the church of the Holy Miracle of the Bleeding Host. Witness the Eucharistic Miracle and celebrate Mass. Continue on to Fatima, site where the Virgin Mary appeared to three shepherd children monthly from May 13 to October 13, 1917. Check-in to your hotel for dinner and overnight. Everyone will be encouraged to participate in the evening Candlelight Procession. (D) **HOTEL CINQUENTENARIO or similar www.hotelcinquentenario.com**

SEP 13/WED - FATIMA. We will spend the morning in Fatima to celebrate the anniversary of the apparition of Our Lady that took place on September 13, 1917. Visit the spectacular Shrine including Apparition Chapel and the Basilica, as well as the New Santissima Trinitade Church. Celebrate Mass. Visit the village of Aljustrel, where the three children were born. Also visit Valinhos, site of the 4th Apparition, and the Church of Old Fatima where they were baptized. Visit the nearby Sanctuary of Our Lady of Ortiga, a place of pilgrimage since the 18th century. Follow the Stations of the Cross along the Via Sacra, ending in the Chapel of Calvary, overlooking all of Fatima. Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Fatima. You will have another opportunity to participate in the nightly candlelight procession. (B,D)

SEP 14/THU - FATIMA/AVILA. After an early breakfast, board your coach and depart to Avila, the beautiful walled 11th century city and birthplace of St. Teresa, reformer and founder of the Discalced Carmelites; the great mystic and doctor of the Church. Visit Incarnation Convent, the Cathedral, and other sites associated with the Saint's life. Check-in to your hotel in Avila for dinner and overnight. (B,D) **HOTEL PALACIO VALDERRABANOS or similar www.hotelpalaciovalderrabanos.com**

SEP 15/FRI - AVILA//LOURDES. After breakfast, board your coach and cross the border into France through the Pyrenees to the once small town of Lourdes, now one of the most moving shrines to Our Lady in the world. It is visited by millions of pilgrims each year. We have a full day of driving but will stop along the way for lunch on our own. Arrive to Lourdes and check-in to your hotel for dinner and overnight. In the evening, you may wish to participate in the nightly Marian Torchlight Procession. (B,D)

HOTEL LA SOLITUDE or similar www.hotelsolitude.com

SEP 16/SAT - LOURDES. After breakfast, we begin the day with a visit to the Basilica of St. Pius X, the world's largest underground sanctuary. Visit the Church of the Rosary, followed by a walking tour to see the sites associated with Bernadette's life in Lourdes. The rest of the day is your free to pray, celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation and take the miraculous Baths. This evening you will have another opportunity to participate in the nightly Torchlight Procession. Dinner and overnight at your hotel. (B,D)

SEP 17/SUN - LOURDES/AVIGNON. After breakfast, board your coach and transfer to the picturesque city of Avignon, once the seat of power for the Catholic Church between 1309 and 1423, and the home of popes fleeing the political pressures of Rome. Tour Avignon's famous Papal palace, listed by UNESCO as a World Heritage site. We will also see the Place de l'Horloge (Clock Tower Square), the main square and heart of Avignon France with its 19th century City Hall and Opera. Dinner and overnight at your hotel. (B,D)

HOTEL MERCURE PONT D'AVIGNON or similar www.all.accor.com

SEP 18/MON - AVIGNON/LA SALETTE. After breakfast, drive to La Salette, located in a high alpine pasture in the French Alps. La Salette is the site where the Virgin Mary appeared in 1846 to two shepherds, Melanie Matthew and Maximin Gird. A spring forever marks the spot where the Virgin appeared and where millions of pilgrims come to drink the fresh spring water and to pray. Nestled in a remote mountain village, you will feel at peace here. Visit the Shrine and Basilica and Sanctuary and celebrate Mass. Perhaps you may wish to stroll along the walking path leading to the apparition site, the "Valley of the Apparition." Dinner and overnight at La Salette Sanctuary Hotel in the pilgrim guesthouse. (B,D) **HOTEL SANCTUAIRE DE LA SALETTE www.lasalette.cef.fr/-Votre-sejour**

SEP 19/TUE: LA SALETTE/ARS/PARAY-LE MONIAL. After breakfast, depart to Ars, to pray and celebrate Mass at the Shrine of St. John Vianney, Patron Saint of Priests. Learn more about the life and work of this humble parish priest, whose mission has become an outstanding example for the 21st century pilgrim. Next, visit Paray-Le-Monial, known as the City of the Eucharist, a lovely small town where St. Margaret Mary Alacoque lived when the Lord appeared to her in a vision and initiated the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Perhaps celebrate Mass at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Check-in to your hotel for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

HOTEL LE PRIEURE or similar www.hotelprieure.fr

SEP 20/WED - PARAY-LE MONIAL/NEVERS/PARIS. After breakfast, depart northward towards Paris, stopping en-route in Nevers, where St. Bernadette lived for 12 years as part of the congregation of the Sister of Nevers after taking the veil in 1867. Visit the convent of St. Gildard where St. Bernadette's incorrupt body reposes and visit the Museum to learn about the life of the Saint. You may also wish to visit the 11th century Romanesque Church. Finally, we board our coach and continue on to Paris, the "City of Light." Check-in to your hotel dinner and overnight. (B,D) **HOTEL TO BE ADVISED**

SEP 21/THU - PARIS. Today we have a busy and full day of sightseeing. After breakfast, meet your local guide and transfer to the Shrine of St. Catherine Labouré where the tradition of the Miraculous Medal began and where we will celebrate Mass. Just around the corner, view the sights of the repose of St. Louise de Marillac and St. Vincent de Paul. Next, board your coach and enjoy a panoramic city tour as we make our way to the Eiffel Tower. We will make a short stop here to take photos, stroll the garden and those who wish may ascend to the top. Free time for lunch. Then we board our coach and transfer a short distance outside of the city to Versailles Palace, one of the largest and most opulent castles in the world. Designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site, it is one of the most visited attractions in France. Tour the grand apartments and stunning Hall of Mirrors. Return back to Paris for dinner at a local restaurant with wine included, perhaps in the Montmartre neighborhood. (B,D)

SEP 22/FRI - PARIS (LISIEUX). Today we will enjoy a full day excursion to Lisieux. Upon arrival, enjoy a guided tour of the sites associated with the life of St. Therese of the Little Flower, Patroness of the Missions, whose motto was "Love is repaid by love alone." Visit the Carmelite Convent, where St. Therese lived from 1888 until 1897. Celebrate Mass at St. Therese Basilica. Enjoy some free time for lunch on own, to stroll the streets and to spend time in prayer and reflection. Return to your hotel in Paris for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

SEP 23/SAT - TRANSFER TO PARIS CHARLES DE GAULE AIRPORT FOR YOUR RETURN FLIGHT BACK TO JFK. (B)

B-Breakfast; L-Lunch;

D-Dinner Itinerary Subject to Modification.

Masses Celebrated Daily at select holy sites.



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GENERAL CONDITIONS

TARIFF & EXCHANGE FLUCTUATIONS: All tour prices herein are quoted in U.S. dollars and are based on tariffs and exchange levels in effect January 2023. Rates are subject to adjustment in the event of any changes in these tariffs and exchange levels.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Rooms with two beds and private facilities throughout.

DOCUMENTS: Carry valid U.S. passport valid through March 23, 2024 or beyond and another photo ID.

CANCELLATIONS: Refunds will be handled promptly and will be made for cancellations received in writing up to 150 days prior to departure less a \$250 non-refundable fee. Travel insurance is strongly recommended to protect your trip. After that, cancellations fees are as follows: 149-100 days prior: \$750; 99-70 days prior: \$1,500; 69-40 days prior: \$3,000; 39-0 days prior: up to total cost. Refunds will be handled promptly and will be made for cancellations received in writing.

GROUP SIZE: Rates herein are based on a minimum of 32 passengers.

RESPONSIBILITY: The travel agent and the tour operator, Far Away Tours of Higganum, CT 06441, Tel: 860-740-0325, or their agents act(s) only as agent(s) in all matters connected with the making and securing of reservations for transportation, accommodations, tours and/or other arrangements and assumes no responsibility for liability in connection with the service of any train, vessel carriage, aircraft or other conveyance which is used, either wholly or in part, in the performance of its duty to the passengers; neither this travel agency nor any of its representatives shall be, or become liable for any act, error or omission, or for any injury, loss accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned by reason of any defect in any vehicle or through neglect or default of any company or person engaged in carrying out the purpose for which ticket or coupons have been issued. In the event that it becomes necessary or advisable, for any reason whatsoever, to alter the itinerary or arrangements, such alterations may be made. Additional expenses if any, shall be borne by the passengers; conversely, refund will be made to the passengers if any saving is effected thereby. Also, in the event that sufficient persons are not secured for a particular tour, we reserve the right to cancel said tour, and a refund of monies paid will release the company of any further obligation. All arrangements for accommodations, transportation and sightseeing are made by the tour operator and/or their agents. The passage contract in use by companies, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the companies and the purchase of these tours and/or passage by the airlines concerned and other transportation companies whose services are featured in these tours are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their conveyance.

TRAVEL AS IT RELATES TO COVID-19: International travel is subject to U.S. and Portugal, Spain and France entry/exit requirements which are subject to change at any time. At the time of this printing in January 2023, there are NO entry restrictions as they pertain to Covid-19. Proof of vaccination is not required, nor is it necessary to present proof of vaccination. Travelers are also advised to visit the U.S. State Department travel website at www.travel.state.gov and the Centers for Disease Control website at www.cdc.gov/travel to review the latest travel and health advisories, warnings and notices. It is the responsibility of the travel participant to be aware of current travel recommendations and restrictions with regards to the potential risks of Covid-19.

RETURN ENTRY TO USA: Effective June 12, 2022 travelers flying to the United States will longer need to provide a negative test result before boarding their plane.

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