

**Saint Denis Parish Bicentennial Celebration**

# *Pilgrimage to France*

**including Lourdes, Lisieux, Mont-Saint Michel,  
and Paris**

**11 Days  
August 8-18, 2024**



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# WHAT'S THE COST?

Land Only  
**\$3695.00**

Group Air\*  
**\$1295.00**

Total Trip Cost  
**\$4990.00**

Solo Traveler  
(Additional Cost)  
**\$1195.00**

Prices are per person

\*Group Air Price based on a minimum of 10 passengers

Prices are valid only if the deposit is received no later than April 8, 2024

Final payment due June 8, 2024

Trip Code: 24LD08FRKG



This active program

requires walking twelve

to fifteen thousand steps

daily, often on uneven

surfaces, cobblestones,

and some stairs.

## DAILY ITINERARY

### ✚ August 8, Thursday, DAY 1: DEPART USA

We gather at Philadelphia Airport for our overnight flight to Toulouse. Dinner and breakfast will be served on the plane. Quotes for add-on flights from most domestic airports, premium economy and business class upgrades are available upon request.

### ✚ August 9, Friday, Day 2: LOURDES

Upon arrival in Toulouse, we meet our Catholic, English-speaking, European tour escort, who will accompany our group in France. We board our motorcoach for a drive to Lourdes. Mass will be celebrated in Lourdes. Rest of the day at leisure to get acclimated to the time zone. Overnight in Lourdes. (D)

### ✚ August 10, Saturday, DAY 3: LOURDES

This morning, we become familiar with the great pilgrimage center of Lourdes. During our walking tour, we see the places associated with the Blessed Mother's apparition and little Bernadette's life. We celebrate Mass at the Grotto, where Our Lady appeared to Bernadette; drink water from the miraculous spring that has healed many as you visit the healing baths. Our group will have the opportunity to see Boly Mill, the birthplace of St. Bernadette, and the Cachot, an abandoned prison where Bernadette's impoverished family lived. We have time to pray to Stations of the Cross and attend Blessing of the Sick in the afternoon. Dinner and overnight in Lourdes. (B, D)

### ✚ August 11, Sunday, DAY 4: LOURDES

Today is a full day dedicated to personal devotions. Mass will be celebrated. Tonight we have the opportunity to join the Candlelight Procession. Dinner and overnight in Lourdes. (B, D)

### ✚ August 12, Monday, DAY 5: LOURDES – LISIEUX

After breakfast this morning, we check out of our hotel and are transferred to the train station in Lourdes to take the TGV train to Paris. Upon arrival, we board the waiting motorcoach for a drive to Lisieux, the home of St. Therese, whom Pope Pius X called the greatest saint of modern time. Mass will be celebrated in Lisieux. We check into our hotel in Lisieux and have dinner and overnight. (B, D)

### ✚ August 13, Tuesday, Day 6: LISIEUX – NORMANDY BEACHES

This morning, we explore the places related to the life of St. Therese. Her extraordinary love for God and service to humanity come alive as we visit the Cathedral of St. Peter and Les Buissonnets, her family home. On display are relics, clothing, and personal objects belonging to the Little Flower. View the statue depicting the Virgin Mary, who smiled at St. Therese during an ecstasy before curing her illness. Combine your prayers in the Carmel Chapel with those of the Carmelite sisters, just as St. Therese did before her death in 1897. We celebrate Mass and have time for prayer and personal devotions. In the afternoon, we visit Normandy Beaches to see where thousands of our brave soldiers lost their lives fighting for the world's freedom. We visit Omaha Beach and the American Cemetery. Dinner and overnight in Lisieux. (B, D)

### ✚ August 14, Wednesday, Day 7: LISIEUX – MONT-SAINT MICHEL

After breakfast, we will have a wonderful excursion to see the unique beauty of Mont-Saint-Michel, one of the most famous abbeys in the world due to its location – perched on a rock in the Gulf of Saint-Malo. Mont-Saint-Michel becomes an island fortress surrounded by the sea during high tide. The causeway to the mainland is only accessible during low tide. The Mont-Saint-Michel monastery, dating to the 8th century, was built to get “as close to heaven as possible.” Today it is one of the world's top pilgrimage sites and among UNESCO's World Heritage Sites. Mass will be celebrated. We will return to Lisieux for dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

### ✚ August 15, Thursday, DAY 8: LISIEUX – ROUEN – PARIS

After breakfast, we check out of our hotel and board our motorcoach for Rouen, where we have a two-hour walking tour of the historic town center. We see the magnificent Cathedral

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of Notre Dame, whose west façade was often painted by Monet at different times of day; the Cathedral houses the heart of Richard the Lionhearted. We also visit the site where St. Joan of Arc was burned at the stake in 1431. Mass will be celebrated at the Church of St. Joan. A special lunch awaits us at La Couronne (TBD), the restaurant which influenced Julia Child to become a chef. After lunch, we board our motorcoach and head for Paris. (lunch TBC). Overnight in Paris. (B, Special lunch, D)

### ✠ August 16, Friday Day 9: PARIS – St. Denis Cathedral

This morning, after breakfast we visit the Miraculous Medal Shrine. We see the incorrupt remains of St. Catherine and the heart of St. Vincent de Paul in the Chapel of the Daughters of Charity, where we celebrate Mass. Following a visit to the nearby Church of St. Vincent de Paul, we drive to the outskirts of Paris to visit St. Denis Cathedral, the burial place of French Kings and the namesake of our parish. Dinner is at leisure tonight to explore the food scene in Paris. Overnight in Paris. (B)

### ✠ August 17, Saturday, Day 10: PARIS – SEINE RIVER CRUISE

Following a panoramic bus tour that includes the highlights of Paris, including a stop at the Eiffel Tower for pictures, and a tour of the Notre Dame Cathedral (if open), we visit Montmartre, with its magnificent Sacre Coeur Church. Here we celebrate Mass. The rest of the day is at leisure to explore on your own. Tonight we gather for a Seine River cruise and dinner. Overnight in Paris. (B, Special dinner)

### ✠ August 18, Sunday, Day 11: DEPARTURE FOR USA

We are transferred to Paris airport for our flight home. (B)



### YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES

- Roundtrip airfare from Philadelphia to Toulouse x Paris to Philadelphia (Newark)
- Airport taxes and fuel surcharges (subject to change)
- First-class hotels for 9 nights
- Service charges and hotel taxes
- Buffet breakfast daily
- 1 lunch in a restaurant with wine at the La Couronne
- 7 hotel dinners at the hotels (standard 3-course menu, beverages available at an additional cost)
- Seine River night cruise, including dinner with wine
- All transfers with a private A/C motor coach as per itinerary
- Professional English-speaking tour director throughout
- Sightseeing tours as per itinerary
- Entrance fees are included to sites specifically listed (outside view means no entrance is included)
- Luggage handling at hotels (one piece per person in/out)
- Select International Tours Travel Portfolio
- Confirmation of daily Mass
- Whisper sets for groups of 30
- We recommend you consider purchasing CFAR Travel Protection

### RATES DO NOT INCLUDE

- Personal expenses
- Medical Insurance
- Any items not explicitly mentioned in the listed inclusions
- Beverages at meals unless otherwise noted
- Gratuities for the guide(s), driver, and wait staff (please refer to the suggestions we will make available to you)
- Church donations

### BAGGAGE CHARGES NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP COST:

- Any airline baggage charges
- Baggage handling at train stations, airports, and hotels in excess of one suitcase per person
- Any charges incurred due to excessive luggage including the cost of an additional baggage vehicle or portage charges



**DEPOSITS AND FINAL PAYMENT:** A **deposit of \$500.00** per person by check should accompany the enrollment form and a copy of your passport picture page by **April 8, 2024. Final payment is due by June 8, 2024. A late payment fee of \$100 will be charged per person for all payments received after the final payment date.** Please mail your payment to: **Select International Tours, 85 Park Ave., Flemington, NJ 08822 Attn: Lisa Del Valle, 800-842-4842, lisad@select-intl.com.**

**Your passport must be valid through February 18, 2025. Reservations will not be processed until we have passport copies.** Prices quoted are based on payments by check. Prices: **\$3,695.00** for land only (air not included); **\$1,295.00** for group air; **\$4,990.00** for land and air; **\$1,195.00** for solo traveler, additional cost, (in room by yourself). For credit card prices add 4%

**PILGRIMAGE PRICES:** Prices are based on minimum 20 passengers. Prices may be adjusted in the event of fewer than 20 passengers, changes in currency conversion rates, or amendments in local government taxes and/or fuel surcharges. Prices are in US dollars. For European travel an exchange rate of US \$1.15 per Euro is assumed.

**SOLO TRAVEL:** A limited number of single rooms are available. Prices are based on two people per room. We do not guarantee roommates but will do our best to connect you with a someone willing to share.

**LAND ONLY OPTION:** Land only services start and end at the hotels and do not include any airfare. You are welcome to transfer from the airport with the group if you arrive at the same time, otherwise, transfers are not included.

**TOUR CANCELLATION POLICY:** Individual deposits are refundable except for a **\$350.00 per person handling fee for cancellations made 90 days or more before departure. A \$500.00 non-refundable fee will be assessed if the reservation is canceled between 90 and 60 days prior to departure. Within 60 days of departure all payments are non-refundable regardless of reason for cancellations. All airline tickets are non-refundable once issued. All cancellations must be in writing. Unused portions of the trip are not refundable. If a roommate cancels, the cost of a solo supplement will be added to your invoice. You may be eligible for a refund through your travel protection. Refer to the U.S. Policy by State on our website.**

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**AIRLINE, SEATING AND SPECIAL REQUESTS:** To best accommodate our pilgrims, we often utilize Group Air Reservations. These allow more predictable transfer and tour schedules. However, when booking Group Air, the airline (not

Select International Tours) controls seating assignments. If you require very specific seats, we suggest that you book your own airfare and take advantage of our "Land Only" options. You may communicate directly with the airline to request seating changes, provide mileage program information, or change passenger contact information once you receive ticket numbers—approximately three (3) weeks prior to departure. We work with instant purchase airline tickets and or group rates. If you switch from air and land to land only within 90 days from departure you will be charged a \$100 service fee in addition to any airline charges. All special needs and requests due to medical or dietary restrictions must be requested in writing at least 60 days prior to departure. Business class and Premium Coach seats are available upon written request; as are add-ons from your hometown airport. If you require very specific airlines or schedules, we suggest that you book your own airfare and take advantage of our "Land Only" options.

**WALKING:** Our trips require daily walking, sometimes up or down slopes, steps, and uneven terrain. We recommend preparing oneself, by walking before the trip. Anyone needing assistance is required to be accompanied by a qualified and physically-able travel companion. We are not responsible for any medical condition that occurs prior, during or after the trip.

**SAFETY PROCEDURES:** Select International Tours has undertaken a reasonable inquiry, with all the suppliers (including airlines, hotels, bus companies and other service providers) used on our trips to ensure they have instigated the best available procedures regarding the pandemic- protective policies advised by local government and health authorities. The client understands and agrees that the supplier(s) may not apply those policies as diligently as the policies suggest. In addition even if the supplier makes a good faith effort to enforce its good practices, some travelers may simply refuse to cooperate. Therefore the client agrees not to hold Select International Tours or group leaders responsible should they or anyone on the trip contract COVID-19 or any other illness during or after the trip

**RESPONSIBILITY:** By accepting this confirmation, you agree that the Group Leaders and Select International Tours, Inc. have no responsibility for any acts or omission of the travel suppliers in your itinerary and during your trip. We have no special knowledge regarding the financial conditions of the suppliers, unsafe travel conditions, health hazards, or weather hazards at locations traveled. We are not responsible for flight delays or cancellations or any charges incurred due to unforeseen circumstances. Unused portions of the trip are non-refundable. For information about destination climate, risks, and safety please consult the appropriate on-line resources. For health information consult the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. You are responsible for checking passport, visa, vaccination, or other entry requirements of your destinations. Itineraries are subject to change. We are not responsible for any damaged, lost, or stolen articles. We are not responsible for any sickness, injury, or death during or after the trip. Travel documents will be mailed out approximately three (3) weeks before departure. Please review them carefully for any errors.

**SHIPPING & HANDLING:** \$15.00—not included in package price—will be added to each invoice. Your invoice will confirm the trip registration.

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### THE BENEFITS OF REGISTERING ONLINE FOR YOUR PILGRIMAGE:

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