



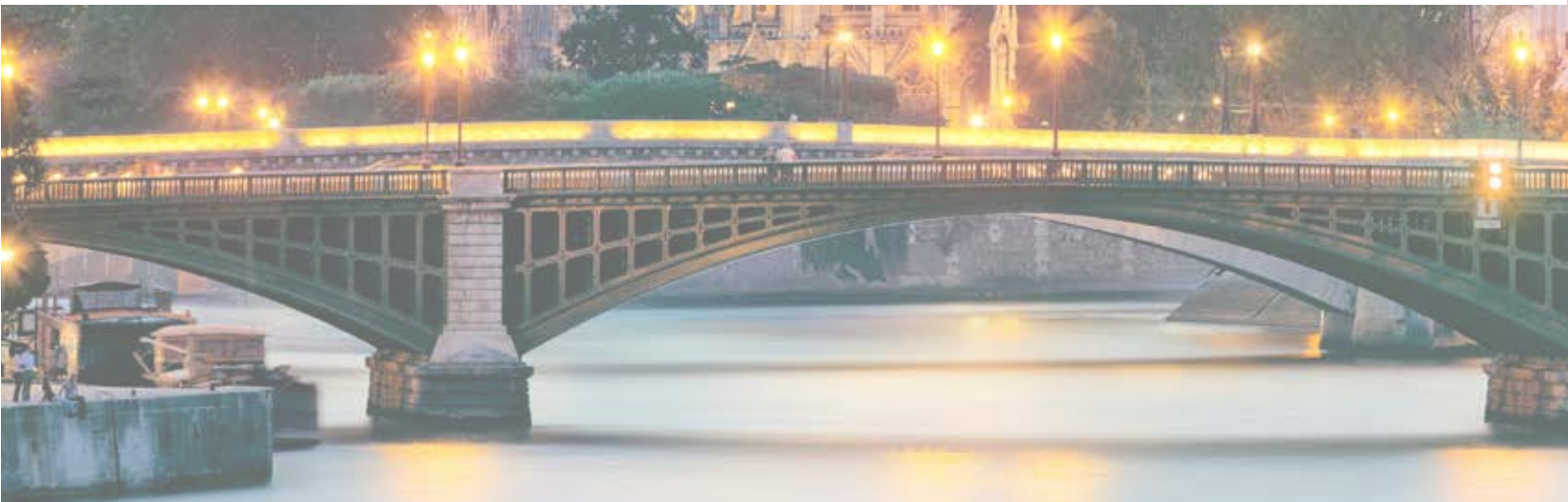
Tekton Ministries

"Serving God's people on their journey of faith"



Pilgrimage to

FRANCE



March 9th - 18th, 2018

PILGRIMAGE ITINERARY



✝ Day 1 – March 9: Depart U.S.A.

Your pilgrimage begins today as you depart on your flight to France.

✝ Day 2 – March 10: Arrive / Paris

Upon arrival in Paris this morning we will be met at the airport by our guide. Our first pilgrim stop in Paris will be to venerate the Shrine of our patron, Saint Vincent de Paul where the saint's body is on display in a reliquary. We will celebrate Mass here and consecrate the rest of our pilgrimage to his intercession. From there we go to the Chapel of the Miraculous Medal at Rue de Bac where Our Lady



appeared to St. Catherine Laboure in 1830 and where she is buried, and end our day at the imposing Saint-Sulpice. We head to our hotel for check-in and have the remainder of the day free.

✝ Day 3 – March 11: Paris

Today we begin at Notre Dame Cathedral where we will attend Sunday Mass. Just a few blocks away on the same little island in the Seine is Sainte-Chapelle, built in 1248 to house the Crown of Thorns, and is one of the world's most captivating array of stained glass windows. After lunch, we will see Saint-Etienne du Mont which still contains a rarely seen medieval Rood Screen that marked the separation between the sanctuary and the nave much like an Eastern Orthodox

- Iconostasis. Across the street, we will tour the French
- Pantheon, modeled after the one in Rome. Originally a church in honor of St. Genevieve, this massive structure now serves as a mausoleum where honored
- Franks are buried including: Voltaire, Rousseau, Victor
- Hugo, Marie Curie, and Alexander Dumas. For our
- final stop today we will descend below the surface of Paris and work our way through the Catacombs to visit the sacred tunnels and crypts.

✝ Day 4 – March 12: Paris

- This morning we will visit La Madeleine, a neo-classical church built in honor of Mary Magdalene.



- Then we will head to Val-de-Grace for Mass. Its dome is one of the most recognizable features of the Parisian skyline. Originally a Benedictine Abbey, today it serves as a military hospital, but its breathtaking chapel is still used for worship and where we will have Mass. Lunch and the afternoon are free for you to explore the city: dive deeper into the Catholic heritage of Paris, take in a museum, or visit historical landmarks like the Arc de Triomphe or Eiffel Tower.

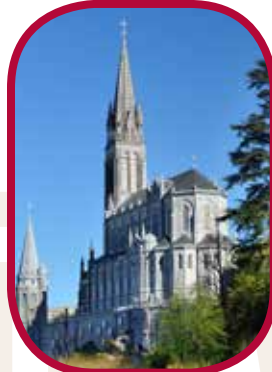
✝ Day 5 – March 13: Paris / Rouen / Lisieux

- This morning we drive to Rouen, the capital of Normandy, where our walking tour will explore the magnificent Gothic Cathedral and the Church of St. Joan of Arc where she was burned at the stake. On

to Lisieux, the home of St. Therese the “Little Flower of Jesus” to visit the home where she lived as a child, the Carmelite Convent where she was a nun, the Basilica of St. Theresa for Mass, and Cathedral of St. Peter. Overnight in Lisieux.

✠ **Day 6 – March 14: Lisieux / Mont-Saint-Michel**

Early this morning we depart for Mont-Saint-Michel, the iconic medieval town only accessible during low-tide. En-route to the island we will stop to pay respects at the Normandy American Cemetery, Omaha Beach, and D-Day Memorial, and then continue onto Mont-Saint-Michel. After lunch we will have Mass at the Benedictine Monastery atop the hill. The rest of the



day will be free to explore the amazing island and what it has to offer.

✠ **Day 7 – March 15: Mont-Saint-Michelle / Le Mans / Chartres / Paris**

This morning we depart Mont-Saint-Michel and head to Le Mans, which has great significance for Indiana and the Archdiocese of Indianapolis as the home of Holy Cross congregation (who founded Notre Dame) and the Sisters of Providence and their founding of St Mary of the Woods, as well as the home for St. Theodore Guerin before being sent to Indiana. We will pray at the Cathedral of St. Julien and have Mass at the Motherhouse of the Sisters of Providence beneath a stained-glass window display that is only rivaled by our next stop, Chartres, home to what most believe to be the greatest Gothic cathedral in Europe. The stained-glass windows of this Cathedral are world-renowned. Over 150 windows illustrate biblical stories and daily life in the 13th century. We will return to Paris for overnight.

✠ **Day 8 – March 16: Paris / Lourdes**

After breakfast, we will board the high-speed train to Lourdes, one of the great pilgrimage shrines in the world. On the train we will have some time for some group discussion and processing, enjoying the passing countryside, or catching up on sleep. In Lourdes, Our Lady appeared to St. Bernadette in 1858 proclaiming herself the “Immaculate Conception”. We will celebrate Mass at the Grotto of Massabielle, the site where the Virgin appeared. We will also visit the Basilica of Pius X (the world’s largest underground church), and in the evening, we will participate in the

• Eucharistic Procession by candlelight.

• ✠ **Day 9 – March 17: Lourdes**

• Today we will have all day to experience the Lourdes on our own, exploring the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, the Church of St. Bernadette, the Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary, and the healing waters of the spring. A group farewell dinner this evening precedes the candlelight procession as our pilgrimage comes to an end.

• ✠ **Day 10 – March 18: Lourdes / Pau / Paris / U.S.A.**

• Transfer from Lourdes to Pau this morning to catch our return flight home.

Pilgrimage Price:

\$3,355.00

per person/double occupancy

For a single occupancy please add \$566.00

For land only, please subtract: \$733.00

These rates include:

- ✠ Arrangements for daily Mass
- ✠ Roundtrip economy class airfare from Cincinnati on Delta Airlines/Air France, returning to Indianapolis
- ✠ 8 nights accommodation
- ✠ All hotel taxes, parking fees, road tolls and other taxes as currently levied
- ✠ Breakfast and dinner daily (dinners in Paris will all be at local restaurants)
- ✠ Professional tour manager from arrival until departure
- ✠ Comprehensive sightseeing with professional local guides
- ✠ All entrance fees as per itinerary
- ✠ Land transportation by private deluxe motor coach
- ✠ Train tickets from Paris to Lourdes (2nd class)
- ✠ Arrival and departure transfers on group flights only
- ✠ Porterage of one piece of luggage at airports and hotels
- ✠ Whisper headsets from arrival until departure

These rates do not include:

- ✠ Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently \$397.97 per person, but subject to change until the time of ticketing) *
- ✠ Bus transfers to/from Cincinnati and Indianapolis airports
- ✠ Gratuities to tour manager, local guides, drivers, and hotel/restaurant staff *
- ✠ Lunches, drinks with meals, extras at hotels and any expenses of a personal nature

**will be added to final invoice*

Departures from other airports available upon request.

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Reservations and Payment: Tekton Ministries requires a deposit of \$300.00 per person at the time of booking. This deposit forms a part of your final payment which is due 75 days prior to departure. Reservations made within 74 days of departure must be accompanied by payment in full. Payments made by credit card will incur a convenience fee. Any reservations received within 45 days of departure will incur a late booking fee of \$100.00 per person. This pilgrimage is based upon a minimum of 22 total pilgrims. Surcharges may be assessed for a smaller group size.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be in writing. The following per person cancellation charges will apply in addition to any airline penalties and any charges incurred by our suppliers: If canceled 91 days or more prior to departure, a \$75.00 administrative fee will be charged. If canceled 90 - 31 days prior to departure, \$175.00 will be charged. If canceled 30 - 15 days prior to departure, \$450.00 will be charged. If canceled 14 - 7 days prior to departure \$700.00 will be charged. No refunds will be made within 6 days of departure. In addition, once the airline tickets have been issued, 100% of the airfare is non-refundable unless you have been advised otherwise at the time of your booking.

Travel Documents: A passport which is valid for 6 months past the date of your return flight home is required of all U. S. citizens. However, U.S. citizens do not require visas for France. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please call to find out if you need a visa. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for individual visas or passports.

Hotels: Accommodations are based on double occupancy rooms with private facilities. A limited number of single rooms are available at the supplement quoted and should be requested at the time of booking.

Air Transportation: Air travel is in economy class on Delta Airlines/Air France. Fares are based upon levels in effect at the time of printing and fares and flight schedules are subject to change without notice. Note that any ticketing changes made within 90 days of your departure date will incur airline penalties.

Baggage: Each passenger is allowed one checked bag and one carry-on. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen baggage.

Travel Insurance: We strongly recommend that you purchase comprehensive travel insurance for your trip. Registration information will be provided upon receipt of your deposit.

Not Included: Passport/visa fees, Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently \$397.97 but subject to change until the time of ticketing), personal travel insurance, laundry, beverages and items not on the regular menu of included meals, excess baggage charges, optional sightseeing and expenses of a personal nature.

Refunds: Subject to the foregoing Cancellation Terms, upon cancellation of travel related services, all sums paid to Tekton Ministries/George's International Tours for such services will be promptly returned to the passenger, provided the passenger has not caused such cancellation and is not in violation of any of the terms and conditions previously, clearly and conspicuously disclosed and agreed to by the passenger. This refund provision does not apply where Tekton Ministries/George's International Tours has remitted the payment to another registered seller of travel or a carrier and they default in providing the agreed-upon transportation or service

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