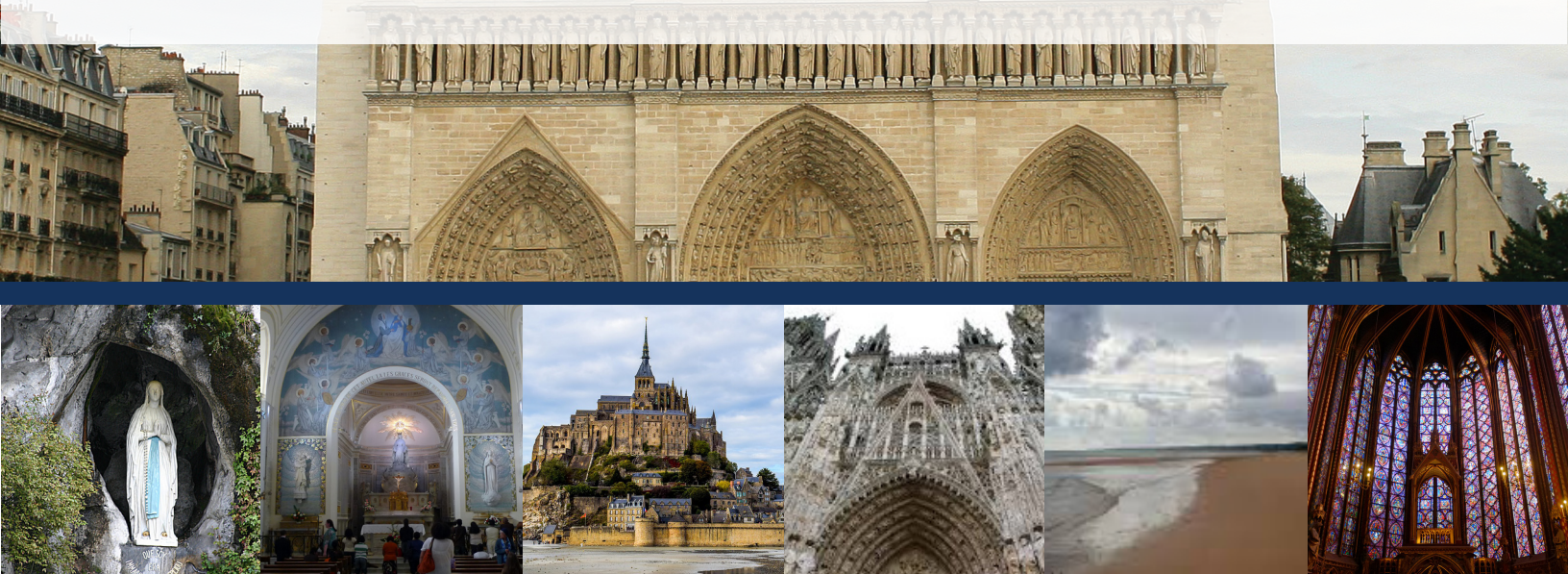




**TEKTON MINISTRIES**  
Encounter Christ on a Catholic Pilgrimage

# PILGRIMAGE TO THE **SHRINES OF FRANCE**

October 9<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
*with Fr. Gray Bean*



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## ESTIMATED PILGRIMAGE PRICE: \$3,900.00

### ● Day 1 – October 9: Depart U.S.A.

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

### ● Day 2 – October 10: Arrive Paris

Upon arrival in Paris this morning we will be met at the airport by our local tour escort. We will then proceed to the Shrine of Saint Vincent de Paul where the saint's body is on display in a precious reliquary. Then proceed to the Chapel of the Miraculous Medal at Rue de Bac where Our Lady appeared to St. Catherine Laboure in 1830. After Mass we will then transfer to our hotel for check-in and have the remainder of the day free.

### ● Day 3 – October 11: Paris

Today we will enjoy a full day tour of the "City of Lights" including visits to the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame Cathedral where we will celebrate Mass, Sainte-Chapelle which was built in 1248 to house Our Lord's Crown of Thorns and other relics, the famous Opera House (outside visit), the Arc de Triomphe (outside visit), and Montmartre with its magnificent Basilica of Sacre Coeur.

### ● Day 4 – October 12: Paris / Rouen / Lisieux

This morning we will drive to Rouen, the capital of Normandy, where our walking tour will explore its magnificent Gothic cathedral, immortalized so often by Monet, and the Church of Saint Joan of Arc where the saint was burned at the stake. We will then proceed to Lisieux, the home of St. Therese the "Little Flower of Jesus". Visit the home where St. Therese lived as a child, the Carmelite Convent where she was a nun, the Basilica of St. Theresa and Cathedral of St. Peter. Overnight in Lisieux.

### ● Day 5 – October 13: Lisieux / Mont-St-Michel

Today will be dedicated to exploring the sites associated with the heroic events of D-Day - June 6, 1944 as part of the celebrations of the 75th Anniversary. After Mass in Lisieux we will drive along the Normandy coast to Bayeux, the first town to be liberated by the Allies in 1944. Continue to St. Laurent to visit the National Cemetery and Omaha Beach, one of the sites where the Allies came ashore on D-Day. Drive on to Mont-St.-Michel, the principal shrine of the Archangel Michael and one of the medieval wonders of Europe.

### ● Day 6 – October 14: Mont-St.-Michel

Our full day visit of Mont-St.-Michel will include the Grande Rue, St. Aubert's Chapel, and the Benedictine Abbey which is perched atop the rock island. Celebrate Mass in the Romanesque Church of St. Michael. The balance of the day is free to explore on your own.

### ● Day 7 – October 15: Mont St. Michel / Chartres / Orleans

Depart this morning and drive to 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. After Mass in Chartres we will proceed to Orleans where Joan of Arc led French troops to victory over the English. Visit the old Cathedral of St. Croix and then check into our hotel for overnight.

### ● Day 8 – October 16: Orleans / Lyon

Drive from Orleans to Nevers where we will visit the Convent of St. Guillard to view the incorrupt body of St. Bernadette. Here the Saint spent her life in prayer and solitude following the apparitions of the Blessed Mother to her in Lourdes. Proceed to Paray-le-Monial where Our Lord appeared to St. Margaret Mary to promote devotions through His Most Sacred Heart. Following Mass at the Visitation Chapel we will visit the Basilica and the nearby chapel containing the tomb of Blessed Claude de la Colombiere. Then continue to nearby Lyon for overnight.

### ● Day 9 – October 17: Lyon / Lourdes

After breakfast drive to Ars for Mass at the Altar of St. John Vianney, Patron Saint of Parish Priests. Then return to Lyon and board our train to Toulouse. Upon arrival in Toulouse we will be met by our waiting motorcoach and drive to Lourdes, one of the great pilgrimage shrines in the world. It was here in Lourdes where Our Lady appeared to St. Bernadette in 1858 proclaiming herself the "Immaculate Conception".

### ● Day 10 – October 18: Lourdes

Today we will have all day to experience the special atmosphere of this beautiful town. Attend Mass at the Grotto of Massabielle, the site where the Virgin appeared. Also visit the Basilica of Pius X (the world's largest underground church), see the house where Bernadette lived during the Apparitions, and visit several of the sites where the miraculous cures have taken place. This evening we will participate in the Blessed Sacrament Procession and the Candlelight Procession.

### ● Day 11 – October 19: Lourdes

Today we will have all day to experience the Lourdes on our own. A private retreat day for prayer and perhaps some shopping. We will have a farewell dinner this evening followed by the candlelight procession.

### ● Day 12 – October 20: Lourdes / Pau / Paris / U.S.A.

Following early morning breakfast, transfer to the airport in nearby Pau to catch our return flight home via Paris.