



TEKTON MINISTRIES

Encounter Christ on a Catholic Pilgrimage

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You're invited

***ON A PILGRIMAGE TO
THE SHRINES AND STEINS OF***

BELGIUM & GERMANY

September 7-17, 2020



A pilgrimage to Belgium and Germany is an exploration of the Catholic roots of this region and a celebration of the gifts those in religious life have given the world. Travel to the heart of Europe and walk into layers of history, faith, prayer, and culture. Venerate the relics of the Magi – perhaps the most famous pilgrims of the New Testament – and pray at numerous shrines dedicated to the Blessed Mother and Germanic saints.



PILGRIMAGE HIGHLIGHT: **BEER-BREWING MONKS**



Trappist and Cistercian monks in Belgium live in their communities in silence, dedicated to the virtues of poverty, chastity, and obedience, praying for the world and all God's people. They are afforded few luxuries in life, but one they are allowed is beer. Since the 1500s, the Cistercians have been brewing beer throughout Belgium and the tradition continues to this day. Sample the fruit of the works of their hands and experience a taste of abbey life today.

Itinerary includes:

BELGIUM

- Explore Brussels, the capital of Belgium, and see the Grand Place, St. Michael's Cathedral, and the National Basilica of Koekelberg, one of the most imposing churches in Europe.
- Take an excursion to the scenic town of Bruges and marvel at Michelangelo's masterpiece, Madonna and Child, in the Church of Our Lady.
- Venerate the Blood of Christ in the Basilica of the Holy Blood.
- Enjoy tastings of beer at St. Sixtus Abbey, Scourmont Abbey, and the Abbey of Val-Dieu.
- Journey to the Shrine of Our Lady of Beauraing, the Virgin with the Golden Heart where, in 1932-1933, the Blessed Mother appeared to a group of 5 young children 33 times.

GERMANY

- Visit the churches of Aachen, housing the swaddling clothes of Jesus, the loin cloth of the Lord, the cloth for John the Baptist's head, and the Blessed Virgin's Cloak.
- Admire the Gothic Cathedral of Cologne and venerate the relics of the Magi along with the staff of St. Peter.
- Sample the local specialty of beers, including Kölsch, Spaten, and Franziskaner.
- Enjoy a full-day tour of Munich and its most famous sites, including the Glockenspiel, Frauenkirche, and Hofbrauhaus.
- Reflect on the sanctity of life at the Dachau Concentration Camp.
- See the beautiful Neuschwanstein Castle and the Rococo Church in the Meadow.
- Visit the Gnadenkapelle and venerate the miraculous statue of the Virgin Mary.
- Enjoy a farewell dinner at the festive Hofbrauhaus Beer Hall.

Estimated Base Price: \$3,800.00

Includes double occupancy accommodations, base airfare, transportation, breakfast and dinner per itinerary, and entrance fees.

Not included: air taxes/fuel surcharges, gratuities (est. \$640)

Full brochure and pricing available November 2019

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Tekton Ministries has been leading Catholic pilgrimages for more than 20 years. Working closely with your priest to create thoughtfully planned itineraries, we help make the Catholic faith more tangible to your daily life by taking you to the heart of our Mother Church today. Daily Mass and time for prayerful reflection are important parts of each day's experience.