

YOU'RE INVITED ON A PILGRIMAGE TO

FRANCE

September 14-25, 2026

### A TRULY CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE

**Tekton Ministries** has been leading Catholic pilgrimages all over the world for more than 25 years. Working closely with your priest to create thoughtfully planned itineraries, we help make the Catholic faith more tangible to your daily life. By visiting holy sites and shrines throughout France, and walking in the footsteps of numerous saints, we hope your faith will be reinvigorated and renewed by this pilgrimage. Daily Mass and time for prayerful reflection are the cornerstones of each day's experience.

We use only experienced Christian or Catholic guides, so you receive truthful explanations of scripture and the places we encounter. When the disciple Philip asked the Eunuch (who was reading Isaiah) if he understood what he was reading, the man responded, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" (Acts 8:35) Just as Philip guided the Eunuch with "the good news of Jesus," your Tekton pilgrimage will guide you into a deeper understanding of the Scriptures. Our prayers, service, and love of our Lord go with you.

# Day 1 - Monday, September 14 Depart USA

Our pilgrimage begins today as we depart on our overnight flight to Toulouse. Meals and refreshments will be served aloft.

### Day 2 - Tuesday, September 15 Toulouse / Lourdes

Upon arrival in Toulouse, journey to the peaceful mountain village of Lourdes, known for its healing waters after the Virgin Mary appeared to St. Bernadette in 1858. It is also where the Blessed Mother announced she was the Immaculate Conception. Join hundreds of other pilgrims in the Blessed Sacrament procession and/or the candlelight procession that has endured since 1872. Lourdes will be our home for the next two nights. (D) Mass - Overnight Lourdes



### Day 3 - Wednesday, September 16 Lourdes

Bask in the grace of Lourdes all day as we have Mass at the Grotto of Massabielle, where Our Lady first appeared to St. Bernadette and had her dig for the spring that is now known across the world for its many miracles of healing. We also visit the humble home where St. Bernadette lived during the apparitions. Tonight, we join again

the candlelight procession with thousands of other pilgrims in prayer and song. (B, D) Mass - Overnight Lourdes

### Day 4 - Thursday, September 17 Lourdes / Saint-Emilion / Bordeaux

After breakfast depart Lourdes and journey to Saint-Emilion, one of the most beautiful villages of France. Here we will visit the Monolithic Church dug out of the surrounding rock. It is the largest underground church in all of Europe. Our activities will also include visit to a wonderful local winery for lunch and a wine tasting. Drive to close by Bordeaux. Half of Bordeaux is a UNESCO-listed Heritage Site, mainly due to its impressive concentration of historic churches and cathedrals. Check-in to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

(B, D) Mass - Overnight Bordeaux

### Day 5 - Friday, September 18 Bordeaux / Tours

This morning, we will take a walking tour of the historic center of Bordeaux, visiting the Basilique Saint Seurin, Eglise Notre-Dame, Eglise Saint-Pierre, Cathedrale Saint-Andre, and the Basilique Saint-Michel. Drive to Tours and visit the Basilica of Saint Martin, which houses the tomb of St. Martin of Tours, one of the most beloved saints in France and a key figure in early Western monasticism. Also, visit the nearby Chapel of Saint Martin, built over the site of his original tomb. Transfer to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D) Mass - Overnight Tours

### Day 6 - Saturday, September 19 Tours / Le Mans / St. Malo

Depart Tours for Le Mans, which has great significance for us living in Indiana, as the home of Holy Cross congregation (who founded Notre Dame) and the Sisters of Providence (who founded 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 beautiful stained-glass window display. Leave for the walled city of St. Malo. Famous for its role in Atlantic piracy, it is now the most visited city in the region. Marvel at the reconstruction of the Cathedral of St. Vincent – destroyed during WWII but rebuilt according to its original design. Transfer to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

(B, D) Mass - Overnight St. Malo



### Day 7 - Sunday, September 20 St. Malo / Mont St. Michel / St. Malo

This morning, we journey to Mont-St.-Michel, a sacred island sanctuary where for over a thousand years pilgrims have ascended its winding paths in devotion to Saint Michael the Archangel, protector of the Church. Rising from the sea like a heavenly vision, it stands as a powerful symbol of faith, perseverance, and the eternal presence of God. Our visit here will include the Grande Rue, St.

Aubert's Chapel, and the Benedictine Abbey which is perched atop the rock island. Return to St. Malo for some free time to explore the town and dinner. (B, D) Mass - Overnight St. Malo

### Day 8 - Monday, September 21 St. Malo / D-Day Normandy / Lisieux

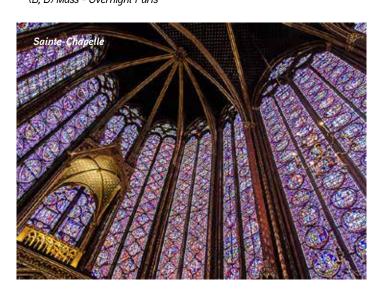
The day will be dedicated to exploring the sites associated with the heroic events of D-Day - June 6, 1944. After Mass in St. Malo, we will drive along the Normandy coast to St. Laurent to visit the National Cemetery and Omaha Beach, one of the sites where the Allies came ashore on D-Day. Proceed to Lisieux, the home of St. Therese the "Little Flower of Jesus" one of the most beloved modern saints, whose message of "the little way" inspires millions. Check into our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D) Mass - Overnight Lisieux

## Day 9 - Tuesday, September 22 Lisieux / Rouen

Spend time in Lisieux this morning visiting the home where Therese lived as a child, the Carmelite Convent where she was a nun, the Basilica of St. Therese, a grand and serene place of worship, and the Cathedral of St. Peter. Next, we leave for Rouen, where our walking tour will explore its magnificent Gothic cathedral and the Church of St. Joan of Arc. Check into our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D) Mass – Overnight Rouen

### Day 10 - Wednesday, September 23 Rouen / Giverny / Versailles / Paris

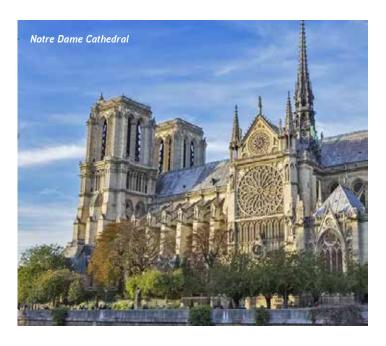
After breakfast, depart Rouen and drive through the countryside to Claude Monet's gardens in Giverny, a living masterpiece that inspired many of his most famous paintings, including the Water Lilies series. You can expect a serene, immersive experience walking through vibrant flowerbeds, the iconic Japanese bridge, and the tranquil lily pond that feels like stepping into one of Monet's canvases. This afternoon, we will take an excursion to the Palace of Versailles. We will enjoy a guided tour learning about the history of this famous and beautiful site. Walking through the opulent halls, you're transported into a world of royal grandeur, where gilded ceilings, crystal chandeliers, and endless mirrors reflect the splendor of French monarchy. Continue to Paris, our home for the next two nights. (B, D) Mass - Overnight Paris



## Day 11 - Thursday, September 24 Paris

Today we begin at Notre Dame Cathedral, in the spiritual heart of Paris. 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. Along the same river is the Musee d'Orsay, built in a former train station and housing the largest collection of Impressionist and post-Impressionist works in the

world. We then view some of the most famous secular icons in Paris with outside visits to the Eiffel Tower and the Arc du Triomphe. Journey to the top of Montmartre and visit the Basilica du Sacre Coeur. This evening, we enjoy a farewell dinner together celebrating the culmination of our pilgrimage. (B, D) Mass - Overnight Paris



### Day 12 - Friday, September 25 Paris / U.S.A.

Today marks the end of a marvelous experience as we transfer to the airport for the return trip home, filled with memories and graces of this pilgrimage that will last a lifetime.

Optional – for those wanting to spend extra time in Paris you can add an additional day or two on your own.

B=Breakfast D=Dinner



### FRANCE PILGRIMAGE DETAILS

#### PRICE PER PERSON

Double occupancy with base airfare \$4,810.00

Current airline taxes/fuel surcharges \$619.23

(subject to change until final ticketing)

ESTIMATED COST

\$5,429,23

Gratuities to guide, driver, hotel/restaurant staff

\$180.00

(estimated/pre-collected with final invoice)

#### **OPTIONS:**

• For a single room: add \$1,032

• Land-only option: \$4,253 (no flights or gratuities included)

Final Payment Due

June 2026

### **BASE RATE INCLUDES:**

- · Daily Mass at holy sites
- Roundtrip economy class airfare from Indianapolis on Delta Airlines/ Air France
- 10 nights' accommodations, including taxes and service charges
- · Porterage of one piece of luggage at airports and hotels
- Knowledgeable, friendly, Catholic/Christian guides; whisper headsets; deluxe motor coach transportation to holy sites; all entrance fees listed on itinerary
- Breakfast and dinner per itinerary (excluding drinks)
- Farewell dinner at a local restaurant on day 11

Rates do not include: airfare, lunches, drinks with meals

Reservations and Payment: Tekton Ministries requires a non-refundable deposit of \$300.00 per person at the time of booking. This deposit forms part of your final payment which is due 90 days prior to departure - after receiving the final invoice. All pilgrimage registrations must be made online through our website. Reservations made within 89 days of departure (or after the final invoices are sent) must be accompanied by payment in full. Any credit card payments other than the deposit will incur a convenience fee. Any reservations received within 45 days of departure will incur a late booking fee of \$100.00 per person. Late payments may be subject to a late fee and/or possible removal from the pilgrimage. Pilgrimage prices are based upon a minimum number of 36 total pilgrims. Surcharges may be assessed for smaller group sizes.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be received in writing (email or letter). The following per person cancellation charges will apply in addition to any airline penalties and charges incurred by our suppliers: If canceled 91 days or more prior to departure, \$300 will be charged. If canceled 90 - 61 days prior to departure, \$1000.00 will be charged. If canceled 60 - 31 days prior to departure, \$2000.00 will be charged. No refunds will be made within 30 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 or cancellations made within 120 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 in base price:** Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently \$619.23 per person, but subject to change until the time of ticketing), gratuities to guide, driver, and hotel staff, passport/visa fees, 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 without providing a refund. In such a situation, Tekton Ministries/George's International Tours agrees to provide passenger with a written statement accompanied by a copy of the bank records establishing the disbursement of the payment, and if disbursed to a seller of travel, proof of their current registration.

**Trust Account Disclosure:** California law requires certain sellers of travel to have a trust account or bond. George's International Tours has such a trust account.

Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation ("TCRC"): George's International Tours is a participant in the Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation ("TCRC"). You, the passenger, may request reimbursement from TCRC if George's International Tours was registered and participating in the TCRC at the time of sale and the passenger is located in California at the time of payment. Please be advised that passengers purchasing from outside of California are not covered by the TCRC. Eligible passengers may file a claim with TCRC if the passenger is owed a refund of more than \$50 for transportation or travel services which George's International Tours failed to forward to a proper provider or if such money was not refunded to you when required. The maximum amount, which may be paid by the TCRC to any one passenger is the total amount paid on behalf of the passenger to George's International Tours, not to exceed \$15,000. A claim must be submitted to the TCRC within six months after the scheduled completion date of the travel. A claim must include sufficient information and documentation to prove your claim and a \$35 processing fee. You must agree to waive your right to other civil remedies against a registered participating Seller of Travel for matters arising out of a sale for which you file a claim with the TCRC, if you were located in California at the time of the sale. You may request a claim form by writing to: Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation, P.O. Box 6001, Larkspur, CA 94977-6001; or by faxing a request to 415-927-7698.

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