



160th Anniversary of the Apparitions

Lourdes, France

64th U.S. National Rosary Pilgrimage

JULY 02 TO JULY 11, 2018

Fr. Joseph Allen, O.P.

(Also visiting St. Jean de Luz & Gavarnie)

Welcoming individuals, families, parish groups

Accompanied by clergy, medical staff & volunteers to assist the needs of the pilgrims.



Fr. George Schommer, O.P.
St. Dominic Parish
Washington, D.C.



ALL-INCLUSIVE!!

International air transportation • Including airline fuel surcharges • Hotel Accommodations • All meals: breakfast • lunch and dinner • Guided tour of Lourdes • Guided visit to Gavarnie • Transfers and baggage handling • Tips for hotel dining and guides • Sanctuary registration fee • Scheduled liturgical services

DEPARTING FROM WASHINGTON/ DULLES: \$2,675.00

Also Departures From:

NEWARK: \$2,745.00

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BOSTON: \$2,698.00

PLUS AIRLINE TAXES: \$165.00 — SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT: \$375.00

(If you are flying from different cities please contact us.)

To make a reservation, kindly send your deposit in the sum of \$400.00 per person.

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TO INSURE A PLACE ON THIS PILGRIMAGE PLEASE BOOK EARLY!!!

RESERVATION DEADLINE MARCH 15, 2018

July 02, Monday: Depart Washington/Dulles for Paris and connect with your flight to Toulouse.

July 03, Tuesday: Arrive Toulouse. On arrival transfer by motorcoach to your hotel in Lourdes. Time to rest. Optional 5:00PM Mass. Dinner and Overnight.

July 04, Wednesday: Breakfast and Opening Mass, followed by an optional orientation tour of the Domain and 30-minute video on "The Message of Lourdes." For those visiting Lourdes for the first time, this is strongly recommended. Lunch at noon. Afternoon, attend Conference (half-hour) with Fr. George Schommer, O.P., "Vacation or Pilgrimage? Answering Our Lady's Invitation," 5:00PM Participate in the Eucharistic Procession, Blessing of the Sick and Benediction. Dinner, followed by 4th of July celebration with music and refreshments.

June 05, Thursday: Breakfast. Mass. Morning free to enter the Baths (Miraculous Waters) of Lourdes, for private devotions or to explore the upper and lower towns of Lourdes with its many shops and cafes, museums. Lunch. Afternoon Holy Hour, Rosary and Sacrament of Reconciliation. The remainder of the afternoon is free. Optional: 6:00PM - For those who wish, enjoy a cocktail or beverage in the lounge of your respective hotels with one of our Spiritual Directors and Staff. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your thoughts about your experiences in Lourdes with other members of the pilgrimage. Beverages can be purchased at the bar in the lounge area. Following Dinner, participate in the Evening Torchlight Procession.

July 06, Friday: Breakfast. Mass of the Anointing. Immediately following Mass, gather for a group picture in front of the Rosary Basilica; Remainder of the morning is free. Lunch, followed by a scenic excursion into the Pyrenees to Gavarnie. The Village of Gavarnie was the last village in France in the middle ages on the old route to the tomb of St. James at Santiago de Compostella. The cirque Gavarnie is the most famous place in the Pyrenees. Along the very beautiful route to Gavarnie, you will see places of interest that will be explained to you by your guide. There will be a visit in Gavarnie which will allow you time to take a walk along the river, to see the statue of Our Lady of the Snows and to shop in the craft shops or perfumery and enjoy a local café. Return to Lourdes for Dinner and overnight.

July 07, Saturday: Breakfast. Mass at the Grotto of Massabielle, the Site of the Apparitions. Remainder of the morning is free. After lunch, make the Way of the Cross which is depicted with magnificent life size bronze statues. Attend half hour Conference given by Father George Schommer, O.P., "Encountering Jesus through Mary: The Grace of the Rosary." Optional: 6:00PM enjoy gathering with one of our Spiritual Directors, Staff and other members of the pilgrimage in the lounge of your respective hotels. Dinner and Overnight.

July 08, Sunday: Breakfast. Attend the International Mass of Lourdes where all National Pilgrimages come together to celebrate this glorious Mass with exceptional music. Following lunch, (for those able), participate in a walking tour of Lourdes visiting the places associated with the life of St. Bernadette: The Boly Mill where St. Bernadette was born and the Locade Mill, residence of her parents after 1864. Also visit the Cachot, formerly used as a jail where Bernadette lived at the time of the Apparitions, the Parish Church, containing the Baptismal font where Bernadette was baptized and the cemetery of Lourdes where the family of St. Bernadette rests. 6:00PM - Opportunity to gather in the lounge area of your hotel with one of our Spiritual Directors, Staff and other members of the pilgrimage. After dinner, we will participate in the Evening, Torchlight Procession of Lourdes.

July 09, Monday: Breakfast. Mass. Optional day trip to St. Jean de Luz. You will enjoy this lovely, resort village with its quaint shops, cafes and beach. Return to Lourdes, Dinner and Overnight.

July 10, Tuesday: Breakfast. Closing Mass at the outside altar of St. Bernadette with renewal of marriage vows. Following Mass, procession for the Placement of the Pilgrim's Candle and Rosary. Time free to enter the Baths of Lourdes, for private devotions and to visit the museums or upper and lower towns. Lunch. Afternoon: optional visit to the Castle of Lourdes, now the Pyrenean museum which presents a synthesis of the popular arts and traditions of the Pyrenees. The old castle chapel contains the XVIII Century altars and the ornaments taken from the old Parish Church of Lourdes. 5:00PM Eucharist Procession, Blessing of the Sick and Benediction. Dinner. Overnight.

July 11, Wednesday: Breakfast. Depart Pau for your return flights home to Washington/Dulles

GENERAL CONDITION AND INFORMATION

PLEASE NOTE: If you are traveling alone and want a roommate, we will do our best to arrange double occupancy. If double occupancy is not available, a surcharge will be imposed. If you prefer a single, please advise and we will bill you accordingly. Single room supplement is **\$375.00**. Single rooms are very limited and are assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. Again, early reservations are recommended. Rates based on tariffs and exchange rate in effect Sept. 1, 2017 and subject to change.

NOT INCLUDED: Cost of passport, visa fees (where applicable), strictly personal items, laundry, wines, beverages not on table d'hôte, optional excursion to St. Jean de Luz, Wheelchair rentals, all that is not stated under, "all inclusive."

RESERVATIONS: Reservations should be accompanied by a deposit of \$400.00 per person due by March 30, 2018 with final payment due no later than May 01, 2018. Final documents and tickets will be sent approximately three weeks prior to departure. Due to new airline regulations regarding group air fares, reservations must be received at least 90 days prior to departure. **Reservations received after this date are confirmed on the basis of space availability and may be subject to a fare increase.** Early reservations recommended.

CANCELLATIONS & WITHDRAWALS: All

Cancellations must be received in writing.

FEES: Cancellations received 95 or more days prior to departure- \$200.00; 94 - 61 days \$400.00; 60 - 31 days 50%; within 30 days of departure, the total amount of the tour price.

****Cancellation insurance is strongly recommended.**

FINAL PAYMENT: Final payment for this pilgrimage is due no later than May 1, 2018. Failure to make your final payment by this date may result in the cancellation of your reservation and the forfeiture of your deposit. In addition to the above cancellation fees, once issued, airline tickets are non-refundable. Again, traveler's insurance is strongly recommended. **** Forms will be sent to you upon receipt of your deposit**** refund requests received within six weeks of departure will be processed after the pilgrimage departs.

MEDICAL FORMS: Each participant of the U.S. National Lourdes Pilgrimage must complete a short medical form, which will be mailed to you. If you are in good health, you need only indicate this on the form with your signature. Medical forms must be completed and returned to us no later than April 15, 2018

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