

# Fatima and Lourdes

with Fr. Jeffrey Couture

Ave Maria Pilgrimage Tours, Inc.



## Pilgrimage to Fátima, Ávila, Zaragoza and Lourdes with Fr. Jeffrey Couture    October 16 to 26, 2024

\$3,850 (land only \$2700) per person departing from Newark Liberty International Airport

### **Wednesday, October 16** **Newark/Lisbon**

Late afternoon departure from Newark Liberty airport for our overseas flight to Lisbon. Dinner and breakfast served on board.

### **Thursday, October 17** **Lisbon/Santarém/Fátima**

Early morning arrival in Lisbon. We will meet our English-speaking guide and board the motorcoach for a panorama tour of the charming capital city of Portugal. Visit the birthplace Church of St. Anthony and continue to Santarém for Holy Mass and to venerate the Eucharistic Miracle which is housed there. We continue to Fátima, check-in to your hotel, Domus Pacis. Dinner and overnight.

### **Friday, October 18** **Fátima/Stations of the Cross**

After breakfast and Holy Mass in the Capelinha (the little Chapel of the Apparitions), we will participate in the Hungarian Stations of the Cross. Afterwards, we will visit Loca do Cabeco, the first and third apparition site of the Angel of Peace in 1916. Then we will visit Valinhos, the site of the 4th Apparition on August 19th. The rest of the day is free for lunch, prayer and relaxation. Dinner and overnight at Domus Pacis. All pilgrims are encouraged to participate in the evening Rosary & Candlelight procession.

### **Saturday, October 19** **Fátima/Ortiga/Aljustrel**

Morning Mass at Domus Pacis, and after breakfast we will visit the hillside Shrine of Our Lady of Ortiga. Then we'll visit the parish church where the Venerable Sister Lucia, Saints Francisco and Jacinta were baptized, and then to Aljustrel, the home of the three seers. In the afternoon, we will have time for lunch and to shop for souvenirs. Afterwards, we will visit the Basilica of the Most Holy Rosary and other sites around the Sanctuary. Dinner and overnight at Domus Pacis. All pilgrims are encouraged to participate in the evening Rosary & candlelight procession.

### **Sunday, October 20** **Fátima**

This is our last day in Fatima. Sunday morning Mass at Domus Pacis Latin chapel or you can join the many pilgrims in prayer at the "International Mass & Devotions". The rest of the day is free to explore and experience the spirituality of Fatima. This evening will be your last opportunity to participate in the beautiful evening Rosary & candlelight procession. Domus Pacis for dinner and overnight.

### **Monday, October 21** **Fátima/Salamanca/Ávila**

After an early breakfast, we depart for Ávila, Spain. En-route, we will make a short stop in the lovely university



town of Salamanca for lunch. Then we continue to Ávila, the beautiful 11th century walled city and birthplace of St. Teresa, reformer and founder of the Discalced Carmelites, the great mystic and doctor of the Church. Meet your local guide and visit the Incarnation Convent, where we will have Mass. Then we visit the Cathedral and the sites associated with the Saint's life. Check-in to your hotel for dinner and overnight. Hotel Palacio Valderrabanos or similar.

## **Tuesday, October 22** **Ávila/Zaragoza**

Early morning departure to Zaragoza, where we meet our local guide and visit the Basilica del Pilar and celebrate Holy Mass. The Basilica is dedicated to Our Lady of Zaragoza, where she appeared to St. James the Greater in the year 44 A.D. The rest of the day is free to take a leisurely walk around the city. Check-in to your hotel for dinner and overnight. Hotel Zenit Don Yo or similar.

## **Wednesday, October 23** **Zaragoza/Lourdes**

After breakfast, we depart for Lourdes, one of the most venerated Shrines in the world dedicated to Our Lady. We will have Mass upon our arrival. The rest of the day is free to experience the Sanctuary. Check-in to your hotel for dinner and overnight. After dinner, you may wish to join pilgrims from around the world in the evening candlelight procession. Hotel Saint-Sauveur or similar.

## **Thursday, October 24** **Lourdes**

After breakfast, we begin the day with a private Mass in the Grotto. Then we will meet our local guide and visit the Basilica of St. Pius X, the world's largest underground sanctuary, followed by a walking tour to see the sites associated with Bernadette's life in Lourdes. The rest of the day is free to pray or to experience the miraculous Baths. This evening we will have the opportunity to participate in the candlelight procession. Dinner and overnight at Hotel Saint-Sauveur or similar.

## **Friday, October 25** **Lourdes/Toulouse**

After breakfast, we depart for the city of Toulouse, the capital of the Occitanie region, in the south of France. The city is known as "La Vie Rose" (The Pink City) due to the terracotta bricks used in many buildings. The day is free to explore the city, shop or rest before returning home. Dinner and overnight at your hotel Ibis Gare Matabiau or similar.

## **Saturday, October 26** **Toulouse/Newark**

3:30 am transfer from the hotel to Toulouse airport for our flight home.

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Itinerary subject to confirmation. \$3,850 (price is based on a minimum of 20 paying participants and subject to airline price confirmation) \*Land only price \$2700. **\$500 deposit due July 16, 2024. Final payment due August 16, 2024.** Please read the terms and conditions on the following page and return the form with deposit to: Ave Maria Pilgrimage Tours, PO Box 237, Asbury, NJ 08802. For more information, please email [pilgrimages@avemariatours.org](mailto:pilgrimages@avemariatours.org), or call 877-513-1917 x224 or 908-246-6626.

# Ávila and Zaragoza



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Itinerary is subject to change.

AIR TRANSPORTATION: Round trip economy class jet service provided, based on advance purchase fare, subject to participation of one person on the entire flight itinerary. Air fares subject to government approval/change without notice. Airline taxes and fees quoted are subject to change until the time of ticketing. Ave Maria Pilgrimage Tours, Inc., (referred to in this document as AMPT) is not responsible for any inconvenience, including refusal of boarding caused by tickets and travel documents not matching. Passenger must confirm that the name on the ticket matches exactly the name as shown on the passport. We ask that a copy of the passport information page be sent to us with your documents. Group ticketing does not always allow us to select seating. If a passenger has a medical need which requires specific seating it is recommended that a doctor's letter be presented. We will make an effort to accommodate your need, but cannot guarantee airline cooperation.

\*LAND ONLY PACKAGES: Any client who arranges their own air transportation takes sole responsibility for meeting the group at the time of our arrival. AMPT cannot be responsible for any misconnections. Client assumes full responsibility for catching up with the group and agrees to wait if the group is delayed for any reason. Client also agrees to assume the additional cost of transfers which do not coincide with the time and location of the group's schedule.

BAGGAGE: One piece of checked baggage and one carry on bag are allowed. Although the airlines may allow more than one piece of checked luggage, we must still restrict each passenger to one piece due to cargo hold size restrictions on buses. The maximum sizes and weights of these pieces are listed on the particular airline websites. It is recommended that you check these regulations prior to departure, please reference www.tsa.gov. Any fees for baggage are the responsibility of the traveler. Passenger is responsible for his/her own baggage and travel insurance is recommended.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Lodging is based on twin occupancy. For single accommodations (if available), a single room supplement will be quoted and may be charged. We reserve the right to substitute hotels as required. Breakfasts and dinners will be provided. Extra charges for additional beverages.

LAND ARRANGEMENTS: As outlined in the itinerary; however, we reserve the right to modify or adjust the itinerary.

SIGHTSEEING: By deluxe motor coach, where applicable, including services of English speaking guides. Most pilgrimages require a substantial amount of walking.

TIPS AND TAXES: Those normally appearing on hotel and restaurant bills as "service" are included, as are all governmental and local taxes on hotels, meals. Tips for drivers, guides etc. are additional. Tipping suggestions will be provided.

NOT INCLUDED: Airport taxes; passport and visa fees; laundry; room service; additional sightseeing not listed in itinerary; event tickets, personal items; excess baggage and airport service charges.

MINIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: We reserve the right to cancel or modify the itinerary if the total number of participants falls short of the number required to meet our contract with our ground operators and airlines. If we cancel a tour due to insufficient numbers, you will receive a full refund.

DEPOSIT AND FULL PAYMENT: A deposit of \$500 per person to secure reservation will be applied to the price of the tour. Final payment must be received from 65 days prior to departure. Reservations made within 90 days of departure are subject to a \$100 late reservation charge.

CANCELLATION FEES: Participants are strongly recommended to take trip cancellation insurance. Cancellation fees are as follows: more than 150 days prior to departure a \$300 administration fee and any airline, ground operator, or event deposits withheld may apply; 45 days - 30% of the tour cost plus the administration fee and any airline, ground operator, or event deposits as stated above; 31 days 75% of the total cost plus any airline, ground operator, or event deposits as stated above; 7 days 80% of the total cost plus any airline, ground operator, or event deposits as stated above; 7 days departure 100% of the total cost. All cancellations must be submitted in writing to Ave Maria Pilgrimage Tours, Inc.

AIRLINE TAX: Airline taxes and surcharges are included in the price. We reserve the right to pass on any increases in these fees.

INSURANCE: We strongly recommend that you purchase the insurance offered. The insurance company is in no way affiliated with AMPT.

RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY: AMPT operates the tours offered under this program only as an agent of the airlines, railroads, car rental contracts, steamship lines, hotels, bus operators, sightseeing contracts and others which provide the actual arrangements, and is not liable for any act, omission, delay, injury, loss or damage or non performance occurring in connection with these land arrangements. The passage contract in use by these companies when issued shall constitute the sole contract between the companies and the purchaser of the tour. AMPT or any organization contracting with us shall not be held liable for any injuries, damages or losses caused to any participant due to social unrest, labor action, mechanical failure or any action taken by other parties. AMPT and any organization contracting with us shall not be held responsible for any disruption caused by an act of nature, or as a result of civil or labor unrest, strike, disease, local laws or ordinances, weather conditions, acts of war or terrorism, or any actions or omissions or conditions beyond the company's control. Participation by individuals mentioned in the flier is based on availability at the time of this printing. We reserve the right to substitute chaplains and tour leaders if necessary.

TRAVELLERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS: Passengers with special needs and any dietary restrictions must advise us in writing of this at the time of application. We will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs. If assistance is required, it is the sole responsibility of the traveler to secure such assistance. AMPT shall not be responsible for denials of entry or services based on these needs.

All participants are required to comply with all health department, airline and foreign government requirements regarding entry and departure from countries visited. AMPT is not responsible for denials of entry into or exit from countries visited on the pilgrimage. Any required testing for Covid or other diseases is the responsibility of the traveler.

TOUR PRICE: The tour price is based on tariffs and rates in effect at the time of execution. AMPT reserves the right to pass on increases imposed by airlines (taxes/fees/fuel surcharges), government agencies, cities, hotels and other suppliers, as well as additional costs caused by fluctuations in currency exchange rates.

PHOTOGRAPHS: Participants understand that photographs and video taken during the pilgrimage may be used for advertising and/or archival purposes and grant permission for their image to be used thus.

Fill out and submit to: Ave Maria Pilgrimage Tours, PO Box 237, Asbury, NJ 08802

Enclosed is my deposit (\$500 per person) for the 2024 Fatima & Lourdes Pilgrimage

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR PASSPORT)

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport# \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Expiration: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

I will be rooming with: \_\_\_\_\_  Please find me a roommate.  I will be rooming alone (\$500.00 single supp).

I will be paying the "land only" cost. Contact in case of emergency (name/address/phone): \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and I understand the Terms and Conditions. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_