

Lourdes - Nevers - Paris

Pilgrimage Itinerary [13 - 18 Aug 2016, 6 days]

The Feast of the Assumption on 15 Aug.

Spiritual Leader : Fr. John Menonkari, CMI (St Joseph's Church, Wembley)

Day 1 : [London - Lourdes] Pilgrims to assemble at 11:00 AM in front of St Joseph's Parish Church in Wembley. The coach departs at 11:30 AM. Ferry crossing Dover—Calais and travel overnight to Lourdes with comfort stops en-route.

Day 2 : [Lourdes] Arrive in Lourdes in the morning. Hotel check in with lunch. Join us for an introductory tour of the Shrines at 2:00 PM. Attend group Mass at 4:00 PM in the Crypt. Blessed Sacrament procession at 5:00pm. Dinner and Candlelight Procession in the evening. Overnight stay in Lourdes. *(lunch & dinner)*

Day 3 : [The Feast of the Assumption] Concelebrated International Mass at 9:30am at Basilique St Pius X. Lunch at noon and join us for an optional excursion to Bartres, a small village where Bernadette spent most of her childhood years with her adopted mother. Dinner at 7:00 PM and Candlelight Procession at 8:30 PM. *(full board)*

Day 4 : [Lourdes - Nevers] Group Mass in the morning at Grotto followed by the Stations of the Cross. A free afternoon for your leisure. Pilgrims will have opportunity for Holy Bath today. Dinner at 7:00PM. Prepare for an overnight journey to Paris. *(full board)*

Day 5 : [Nevers - Paris] Breakfast and Mass at the Convent of St Gildard. Ample time for your private prayers at the chapel. Visit the Gardens. Continue our journey to Paris. A sightseeing tour of Paris and optional boat trip in the afternoon. Dinner at the hotel. *(half board)*

Day 6 : [Paris - London] Breakfast at the hotel. Mass at the Chapel of the Miraculous Medal, Rue du Bac and visit the chapel of St. Vincent de Paul. Travel to Calais for your return ferry to Dover. Time permitting we'll stop for shopping in Calais. We expect to arrive in Wembley about 6:30pm.

INCLUDED : *Luxury coach travel, 2 nights stay in 4* hotel in Lourdes and 1 night in Paris, meals as stated shared accommodation, tolls and taxes, Services of our Tour Manager.*

NOT INCLUDED : *Single room supplement £25/night, travel insurance premium, snacks & drinks, meals en-route, gratuities & entrance fees, optional excursion, any other costs of a personal nature.*

For Bookings and Inquiry : Varghese Thekkan (079722 61167)
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NOTE:

- To secure your booking, we require £100 deposit (£50 is NOT refundable on cancellation on your part)
- If you require a visa letter, please mention to the organisers at the time of making your booking.
- The balance is due 8-weeks before the date of departure.
- Children under 12 are eligible for a generous discount. Please contact the organisers.

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Travel Instructions [Coach Pilgrimages to Lourdes]

Assembly Point & Time for Coach Travel

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Pick up point is on the side of Westminster Cathedral, Ambrosden Avenue, Victoria, London SW1P 1QH.

(A short walk from Victoria train & underground station)

Luggage: Space on the coach is **LIMITED**, therefore luggage is restricted to **ONE MEDIUM-SIZED SUITCASE**, plus **ONE SMALL** item of hand luggage per person. Porters, lifts and/or trolleys may not be available at all hotels, and you are advised to ensure your luggage is light enough for you to carry easily.

Hotel Accommodation: Accommodation is shared rooms, in twin, double or triple. If we are unable to do this we will accommodate you in a single room and reserve the right to make an additional charge.

Hotel check-in time is midday and check-out after breakfast on the last day.

Meals & Diets: During the journey, there will be stops at the catering service stations. **NO food consumption is allowed on the coach and we do not serve snacks/drinks on the coach.** Cold sandwiches, crisps, snacks and soft drinks are fine. (No littering and no alcohol consumption is allowed on the coach). Lunches and dinners in the hotel are set-menu meals; breakfast is usually continental. Tea, coffee and drinks are extra cost unless stated otherwise. Vegetarian meals can be arranged provided we are notified no later than 2 weeks before departure. Menus served may be limited and repetitive, particularly for vegetarianism. We do not, however, serve vegans.

Late Arrival: Pilgrims must ensure that they arrive at pick up point at least 30 minutes prior to departure time. If delayed and missed the coach, no compensation will be given.

Passport and Travel Documents: It is your responsibility to be in possession of a valid passport/document and any necessary visa. We will accept no responsibility and are not liable for any form of compensation if any pilgrim is refused entry by the immigration authorities of any country for whatever reason.

Inappropriate Behaviour: If the behaviour of any member of any party is considered likely to cause offence, danger, damage or distress to others, we reserve the right at all times to cancel or terminate their pilgrimage completely. If this situation arises, our responsibility will cease and the company will be under no obligation to cover expenses incurred and neither will we consider nor accept any claims for compensation or refund whatsoever.

Gratuities: Gratuities are, of course, entirely at your own discretion, although customary. Your courier will make a collection for your drivers on the return journey. If you are pleased with your courier's services it would be greatly appreciated if one of the pilgrims made a collection for him or her before you depart from Lourdes on the last day.

Useful Numbers : Lourdes Tourist Office +33 562 42 78 78, Accueil Notre-Dame +33 562 42 80 61
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NOTE: Although we endeavour to provide an excellent service, on rare occasions the odd hiccup may occur and therefore your patience and understanding at these times will be greatly appreciated. ***We also wish to point out that, as we do not have medically trained staff, our travel arrangements may be unsuitable for severely handicapped, ill or elderly people. It is a condition of acceptance that the applicant (or any member of his / her party) shall have made full disclosure of the facts with particular reference to adverse health.***

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