



*An Ignatian Journey to*

# SPAIN

*Plus Lourdes*

**11 Days: October 1 to 11, 2017**

Under the Spiritual Direction of:

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## **Land Only Package:**

**\$3,899 Discount Price** (payment by check)

**\$4,098 Standard Price** (payment by credit card)

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# AN INVITATION TO JOIN US

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Dear Friends and Fellow Pilgrims,

I invite you to join me and others as we journey to Southern France and to Northern Spain on a pilgrimage of discovery.

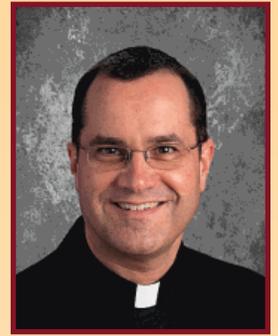
In France, we will walk in the footsteps of Saint Bernadette and view where the Blessed Mother appeared to her. Lourdes has become the most famous modern shrine to Our Lady and we will experience it in all its wonder.

In Spain, we will journey to the holy places of the beginnings of the Jesuits. We will discover the family castles and birthplaces of both St. Ignatius Loyola and his great companion, St. Francis Xavier. Our pilgrimage will take us through Montserrat (an ancient Benedictine monastery), where Ignatius himself spent time in prayer, Manresa, where he composed the Spiritual Exercises, and Barcelona, where the converted Ignatius begged for a living.

Our adventure will also allow plenty of time for the fun, adventure, explorations, and relaxation that enable travelers to enter even more deeply into the spirit of pilgrimage.

I look forward to praying with you daily, celebrating Mass, and sharing spiritual and historical talks rooted in Ignatian spirituality. I have no doubt that God will make great use of this pilgrimage to draw us more deeply into the heart of Christ. Sincerely in Christ,

*Fr. George M. Witt, S.J.*



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## OUR DAILY ITINERARY

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**SUN, OCT 1, DAY 1: DEPART USA:** Each person is invited to make their own airline arrangements to Lourdes, giving everyone the flexibility to book their airline that is most suitable to them.

*Nearby airports includes Lourdes-Tarbes Airport (Airport Code LDE – located 20 minutes from Lourdes), Pau Airport (PUF – 45 minutes from Lourdes), and Toulouse Airport (TLS – 1 hour, 45 minutes from Lourdes).*

**MON, OCT 2, DAY 2: TRANSFER ON YOUR OWN TO LOURDES:** Upon arrival in Southern France please arrange your own taxi transfer to Grand Hotel Gallia & Londres in Lourdes. The enchantment of Lourdes awaits you!

In 1858, 14 year-old Bernadette Soubirous declared that the Virgin had appeared to her several times in the Cave of Massabielle and had said to her in the local patois, “I am the Immaculate Conception.” Today, more than four million pilgrims come to Lourdes each year to bathe in the waters of the miraculous spring. We meet our tour manager, who will accompany us throughout our journey, and gather for dinner in the restaurant dining room. (D)

**TUE, OCT 3, DAY 3: LOURDES: VISIT OF THE SHRINE:** This morning we join other pilgrims in celebrating Mass at the Grotto of the Apparitions. Afterwards, we enjoy a walking tour: “In the Footsteps of Bernadette,” including the Cachot - the former jail cell where her impoverished family was lodged in one room at the time of the apparitions. After our tour, we are welcome to visit the baths. Lunch today is on our own.

Late this afternoon we are welcome to participate in the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and the Blessing of the Sick (subject to the local schedule). Dinner is served at our hotel tonight. After dinner at the hotel, we may return to the Sanctuary for the Rosary and Torchlight Procession. (B, D)

**WED, OCT 4, DAY 4: LOURDES / SAN SEBASTIAN / LOYOLA:** This morning, we depart Lourdes by motor coach and head for one of Spain’s most picturesque seaside

towns and a long getaway for Spanish royalty – the lovely San Sebastian (Donostia in the Basque language) founded around 1180. The city’s unique geographical situation made it ideal as a military stronghold with a port. The city is surrounded by a wall for this very reason.

We will enjoy a panoramic tour of San Sebastian and then we continue on to Azpeitia. Here, in 1491 Iñigo Lopez de Loyola Oñaz was born in the Castle of Loyola. We know him better as Ignatius of Loyola.

In 1521 in nearby Pamplona, Iñigo was wounded in a battle defending Navarre against the French. He was carried from Pamplona to his family home in Loyola to recuperate. It was here that St. Ignatius had profound religious experiences which began his process of conversion.

Upon arrival in Loyola, we have some time for lunch on our own before we visit Loyola Castle and the Conversion Chapel, where we celebrate Mass. We check-in to Hotel Arrupe for dinner and the evening. (B, D)

**THU, OCT 5, DAY 5: LOYOLA: ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH, OLD MAGDALENA HOSPITAL & LEISURE:** We begin with Mass at St. Sebastian Church which contains the baptismal font of Ignatius. Later, our local guide will show us the Old Magdalena where Ignatius lived with the poor from April through July 1535. After an included lunch, the balance of the day is at leisure for our own private devotions. Dinner tonight is at our hotel. (B, L, D)

**FRI, OCT 6, DAY 6: LOYOLA / XAVIER / SOS DEL REY CATOLICO:** Today, we travel to Xavier in the Navarre region. Francis Xavier was born here in 1506. A fellow student of Ignatius at the University of Paris, Francis became one of the first members of the Society of Jesus and made his vows with Ignatius and five others on August 15th, 1534. He and Ignatius were ordained priests in 1537. Ignatius chose Francis for missionary work, and for eleven years he evangelized Asia but particularly India and Japan. Francis Xavier, Ignatius Loyola, and Teresa of Avila were canonized together by Gregory XV on March 12, 1622. We will visit

the medieval Castillo de Xavier, with a diorama that tells the story of Francis. We enjoy an included lunch, followed by Mass.

A short drive takes us to Sos del Rey Catolico, one of the most well-preserved medieval villages in Aragon. Sos, birthplace of King Ferdinand II, added del Rey Catolico (of the Catholic King) to its name in his honor. We will overnight at Hotel Parador, immersed in the ancient feel of this remote hilltop town. Dinner is included at our hotel. (B, L, D)

**SAT, OCT 7, DAY 7: SOS DEL REY CATOLICO / VERDU / MONTSERRAT:** This morning, we depart for Verdu for a visit of St. Peter Claver Church and an included lunch. After lunch we continue on to Montserrat the spiritual heart of Catalonia and home to the dramatically set Benedictine monastery. This Marian shrine has attracted pilgrims for over 700 years, much as it did Ignatius in March of 1522. We pause here to visit the Black Madonna before whom Ignatius laid his sword and exchanged his fancy clothes with a beggar. We celebrate Mass before arriving to Hotel Abad Cisneros for dinner. (B, L, D)

**SUN, OCT 8, DAY 8: : MONTSERRAT: EXCURSION TO MANRESA:** This morning, after some time at leisure, we depart for Manresa, a place of profound conversion for Ignatius. We celebrate Eucharist in the chapel near the cave on the banks of the Cardoner River where Ignatius received a vision that provided him with deep insights into the spiritual life and altered the course of his own life. From the initial insights he received here, Ignatius went on to compose the "Spiritual Exercises." Ignatius remained in Manresa for about a year and a half before continuing his journey to Barcelona.

We enjoy an audiovisual presentation and a tour of the museum at Manresa. This afternoon we enjoy winetasting and lunch at a local vineyard in the Catalonian countryside.

Afterward we return to Montserrat for vespers and dinner to follow at our hotel. (B, L, D)

**MON, OCT 9, DAY 9: MONTSERRAT / BARCELONA:** After breakfast at our hotel, we depart for Barcelona, the capital of Catalonia, just as a young Ignatius did almost five hundred years before us! Barcelona has always been a city of builders and planners. It is renowned for its beauty in both its religious and secular buildings.

We meet a local guide to enjoy a walking tour of the Gothic Quarter, "In the Footsteps of Ignatius," including the Church of Santa Maria del Mar, where Ignatius begged for alms for his journey to the Holy Land. Here we celebrate Mass. Lunch is on our own. We check-in to Hotel Catalonia Rambla. The balance of the day is at leisure. Dinner tonight is at a local restaurant within walking distance of our hotel. (B, D)

**TUE, OCT 10, DAY 10: BARCELONA: SAGRADA FAMILIA & LEISURE:** This morning, after breakfast, we begin with Mass and a visit of Sacred Heart Church where we view the sword of Ignatius, which Ignatius surrendered at Montserrat. Next, we visit Sagrada Familia Basilica (Holy Family), unarguably Gaudi's masterpiece. This is Europe's most unconventional church. Here we celebrate Mass. After an included lunch at a local restaurant, the balance of the day is at leisure. Dinner this evening is on our own. (B, L)

**WED, OCT 11, DAY 11: RETURN TO THE USA:** Depending on your departure time, please make arrangement with your hotel for a taxi transfer to Barcelona airport. (B)

*Note: While no changes are anticipated, there may be unforeseen occasions when certain alterations become necessary to this itinerary, either due to changes in airline schedules or for other reasons.*

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

### HOW TO REGISTER

To make your reservation, complete the enclosed registration form and submit with \$400 payment (mailed to the address shown on the bottom of the registration form). You will receive General Information (including How to Obtain a Passport), an invoice, and further information from Catholic Travel Centre via mail, usually within two weeks of our receipt of your deposit. Please submit your registration form early, as all space is available on a first-come basis only. Registrations are processed in the order they are received by Catholic Travel Centre.

### YOUR PRICE INCLUDES

Price includes accommodations in First Class Hotels, Superior Tourist Class Hotels, or best available (all with private facilities); sightseeing, and meals per itinerary (B, L, D); and is based on a minimum of 30 fully paying passengers. Tips, and optional travel protection plan will be shown separately on your invoice. No visa required for USA citizens - only a valid passport. Please see 'Registration Form' and 'Terms & Conditions' for more details.

### FINAL PAYMENT

Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. This payment should be sent directly to Catholic Travel Centre. Instructions will appear on your invoice.

### OPTIONAL PASSENGER TRAVEL PROTECTION PROGRAM

Optional Passenger Travel Protection Program (PTPP) is available. Your invoice will show the Program fee. You may choose to accept or decline coverage. Coverage begins only upon receipt of your Program fee. We must receive your insurance premium payment within 14 days of your invoice date in order for the exclusion of pre-existing conditions to be waived, provided you are medically able to travel at the time you pay your insurance premium. See 'PASSENGER TRAVEL PROTECTION PROGRAM' under 'Terms & Conditions' on reverse side for full details. For a copy of the PTPP enrollment form visit: [www.GoCatholicTravel.com/InsuranceEnrollment](http://www.GoCatholicTravel.com/InsuranceEnrollment). For a copy of Insurance Certificate visit: [www.GoCatholicTravel.com/Insurance](http://www.GoCatholicTravel.com/Insurance).

### VIEW AND PAY YOUR ACCOUNT ONLINE

After you register, you will receive an email which will allow you to create an online account. So you will then be able to view your current account balance, as well as make payments.

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REGISTRATION FORM ~ CATHOLIC TRAVEL CENTRE

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October 1 to 11, 2017 | Tour #: 17-040-1001 | Group Name: Naylor Witt

Please complete one registration form per person (couples, submit two separate forms).

Enclosed please find my \$400 per person deposit for the above referenced trip. By submitting this payment, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to the "Terms and Conditions" in the accompanying brochure. I agree to submit full payment 90 days prior to departure.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Please print in BLOCK LETTERS your complete Last Name, First Name and Middle Name as they appear on your PASSPORT.

Last Name [input field]

First Name [input field] Middle Name [input field]

How would you like your first name to appear on your nametag? [input field]

Email (email address mandatory for each passenger) [input field]

Date of Birth [input field] Gender [input field]

Street Address [input field] Apt [input field]

City [input field] State [input field] Zip [input field]

Home Tel [input field]

Mobile Tel [input field]

Do you or will you hold an American Passport at the time of travel? [input field] If not, what nationality? [input field]

Signature [input field] Date [input field]

ROOMING INFORMATION

(Please select one)

I wish to room with: [input field] (enter name) [input field] (relation if any)

Please try to find a roommate for me. I understand if you cannot find a roommate for me, I will be obliged to pay the single room supplement. Age: [input field]

I wish a single room at a supplement of \$795. Subject to availability and confirmation. Note: Single room might increase your travel insurance premium.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

SELECT ONE OF THE TWO FORMS OF PAYMENT BELOW.

DISCOUNT PRICE - Payment by Check

Please return this form with \$400 deposit payable to Catholic Travel Centre, and we will mail your invoice within two weeks.

LAND ONLY PACKAGE: \$3,899 Land Only, tips of \$175, and optional Travel Protection Plan fee of \$293. I agree to meet the group at the first night's hotel.

STANDARD PRICE - Payment by Credit Card

Please return this form with your credit card information below, and we will mail your invoice within two weeks.

LAND ONLY PACKAGE: \$4,098 Land Only, tips of \$175, and optional Travel Protection Plan fee of \$293. I agree to meet the group at the first night's hotel.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION

I authorize Catholic Travel Centre to charge the Standard Price amount, plus other fees outlined above to my credit card listed below (\$400 will be charged now; balance of payment will be charged to your card per the invoice due date).

Credit Card Type:

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Note: Further information will be sent within two weeks of receipt of your registration and deposit.

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Making any payments (cash, credit card or otherwise) towards any tour constitutes your unconditional acceptance of all the terms and conditions stated in this tour brochure. Catholic Travel Centre shall be referred to as CTC within this document.

**DOCUMENTS:** US citizens require a valid passport. Other nationalities please inquire with the appropriate embassies. Passports must be valid for six months beyond the tour's return date.

**REGISTRATION AND DEPOSITS:** A deposit of \$400 per person is required upon registration along with a signed copy of the registration form. Registrations cannot be taken by telephone. Registrations are processed in the order received by CTC. Balance of payment is due 90 days prior to departure. Late payment is subject to a non-refundable \$150 late fee. Late registrations (fewer than 90 days) must be accompanied by full payment by cashiers check only (including the optional passenger travel protection program payment, if applicable), plus a non-refundable \$150 late fee and are subject to availability. CTC reserves the right to cancel reservations that are not paid in full 75 days prior to departure and to charge cancellation fees/penalties indicated below. A non-refundable \$25 fee will be charged on all checks and online payments returned by our bank.

**CHANGES IN PACKAGE:** After initial invoicing, any change in package from air inclusive to "land only" or vice versa is subject to a non-refundable \$50 per person per change processing fee. Such changes must be finalized by the passenger in writing to CTC at least 100 days prior to departure.

**INDIVIDUAL CANCELLATION FEES & REFUNDS:** All cancellations must be received by CTC in writing via certified mail, facsimile or e-mail. CTC will process your refund, minus a cancellation fee according to the following schedule:

- 1) \$150 if cancelled at any time up to 150 days prior to the tour's departure date;
- 2) \$300 if cancelled 149 to 90 days prior to the tour's departure date;
- 3) \$400 plus any non-refundable amounts paid to and/or penalties assessed by airlines, hotels, or other suppliers of travel services (up to the total cost of the tour) if cancelled 89 to 8 days prior to the tour's departure date;
- 4) No refunds for cancellations received within 7 days of departure date.

The above cancellation fees and/or penalties will also apply if you register for an optional extension or airline routing, and you decide to cancel or change any of these. CTC strongly recommends the Passenger Travel Protection Program (see 'PASSENGER TRAVEL PROTECTION PROGRAM' below.)

**TOUR OPERATION & CANCELLATION:** While no changes are anticipated, CTC expressly reserves the right to cancel all or any part of the tour or to make any changes to the itinerary, for any reason or whenever it deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience or safety of the tour participants. In the event of any alteration to the itinerary, every effort will be made to substitute the altered activity with a comparable replacement. If a tour is cancelled in its entirety by CTC, full refunds shall be issued within three weeks of such cancellation. This will constitute, in full, CTC's obligation to you and CTC bears no further responsibility beyond the full refund. CTC shall not be held liable and hereby expressly disclaims liability for any loss, expense, damage or inconvenience caused as a result of any tour cancellation or changes made to the itinerary. Furthermore, CTC is not responsible for any additional costs or fees relating to the issuance and/or cancellation of air tickets or other travel arrangements not made through CTC.

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**BAGGAGE:** Baggage is at risk at all times. We strongly suggest that you bring only one piece of checked luggage and one carry-on. Portage is included at hotels only for one piece of luggage; the passenger is responsible at all times for carrying carry-on luggage. No portage at airports.

**ACCOMMODATIONS AND MEALS:** Based on double/twin accommodations with private bathroom facilities (limited number of single rooms avail-

able). No reduction for triple rooms. Triple room consists of twin/double room plus a rollaway bed, and confirmation is based on availability. If no roommate is available for you or your roommate cancels prior to departure, a single supplement surcharge will apply. Meals are menu of the day as shown in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner).

**SIGHTSEEING:** By private motor coach with English-speaking guide/escort. Entrance fees included per final itinerary.

**PRICES:** If group does not reach group size quoted in brochure, the price or programming will be adjusted accordingly. Pricing is based on exchange rates and fares applicable at the time of quotation and is therefore subject to change. Fuel surcharges subject to increase up to 30 days prior to departure.

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