

Join Father Louis Shea of St. Joseph Parish in Lovell, Wyoming on a holy pilgrimage to Lourdes, the great Camino de Santiago and Fatima!

10 Days from Lourdes to Lisbon | November 7 – 17, 2017



In November of 2017 we will set out on a great pilgrimage to some of the most important shrines of the Catholic world. From Lourdes in the south of France we'll traverse the Pyrenees into Spain and journey towards the burial place of the Apostle James at Santiago de Compostela. From there we'll go south into Portugal towards Fátima, where the centennial of the Blessed Mother's apparitions is being celebrated this year.

On our journey we will visit some of the ancient Christian kingdoms that successfully led the Reconquista of Spain and expelled the Muslims from this traditionally Christian land. We will experience the beauty of the Christian world and personally encounter a culture that is reminiscent to this day of its chivalric legacy.

Our days will be well-rounded. Morning mass will begin our day, opening our hearts and minds to the grace of God. At the end of each day we'll then sit down together to enjoy the culinary delights of the Iberian peninsula.

\$3,995 USD

— per person, air-inclusive





Lourdes

On Thursday 25th February 1858, the Virgin Mary asked Bernadette at Lourdes: "Go drink at the spring and wash yourself there." Each year, 350,000 pilgrims do so in the baths of the Sanctuary. What better way to start our pilgrimage?



Joseph and Rachel Long Tour Directors

Joseph is one of three boys from Newport News, Virginia. For much of his life he lived elsewhere, however, in both Pennsylvania and Italy. Joseph holds an MA in Church History from the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross in Rome and BA in History from Christendom College in Virginia. He is an Italian/American citizen with a passion for Catholic history. Joseph founded ProRome Tours in 2014 in order to provide pilgrimages and academic programs throughout Europe.

The lovely young lady next to Joe is his wife, Rachel. Rachel is one of eleven children and grew up on a farm in Waymart, Pennsylvania. She has a BA in Theology from Ave Maria University and is a homeschooling teacher for Mother of Divine Grace.

They look forward to meeting you and serving you.



Itinerary

Tuesday, November 7

The group flight will depart Billings, Montana in the morning. After arriving in Salt Lake City we'll then board a trans-Atlantic flight for Europe.

Wednesday, November 8

In the early morning we will arrive in Paris, France. After a short layover we're back on board a flight to Toulouse, a transportation hub in the south of France. In Toulouse we'll be met by our tour operator and private bus. The bus will take us directly through the hills of southern France to a comfortable hotel in the heart of Lourdes, Hotel Chapelle et Parc. Take some time here to unwind and relax before joining the group for a wonderful dinner.

Thursday, November 9

Just as every other day, we'll begin today with breakfast. We'll then participate in Mass followed by a walking tour of Lourdes. The tour includes the grotto where the Virgin Mary appeared to St. Bernadette in 1858, Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, Bernadette's birthplace, and her family home. In the afternoon we will have time to go to the baths to wash our ourselves or perhaps to spend some time in quiet prayer. After such a blessed day we will come together again for dinner at a restaurant near the hotel.



Hotel Chapelle et Parc, Lourdes

Friday, November 10

After Mass and breakfast we will depart for Roncesvalles, a mountain town of great historical significance in northern Spain on the French-Spanish border.

Crossing the majestic Pyrenees Mountains is awe-inspiring. These mountains formed the border between the Islamic and Christian worlds for more than seven hundred years. On the bus ride there will be a history lesson on Muslim Spain and the Reconquista.

After stopping for lunch in the border town of Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port, the traditional starting point of the Camino de Santiago, we'll wind our way up to Hotel Roncesvalles. Here there will be some time to explore the tiny town and then we're together again for dinner at the hotel.



Hotel Roncesvalles



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Bom Jesus Sanctuary, Braga

Saturday, November 11

Today we will travel through the Basque region of northern Spain towards Burgos, the historic capital of Old Castile. The significance of this place cannot be understated. This was the center of the Christian holdout during the Muslim occupation of Spain. We'll have a hearty conversation about the cultural implications of this over lunch and then go ahead and check in at *Abba Hotel Burgos*, a comfortable four-star hotel in the heart of Burgos. Then we're off to visit the magnificent cathedral, a masterpiece of Gothic architecture and the burial place of Spain's national hero, El Cid. After the tour there will be some free time to explore the city before meeting the group for dinner.

Sunday, November 12

After breakfast and Sunday Mass we're back on the bus traveling west towards the resting place of St. James in Santiago de Compostela. We'll stop for lunch in the town of Ponferrada and then tour the 12th century Knights Templar castle. In the late afternoon we will arrive in Santiago de Compostela and check in at *Hotel San Miguel*. We'll then have dinner together near the cathedral.

Monday, November 13

Today we will visit the cathedral which was built over the remains of St. James more than a thousand years ago. The magnificent Baroque facade draws the weary pilgrim inside only to discover the original Romanesque interior, richly decorated through the centuries in honor of God and His Saints, most especially the Apostle James.

At 12:00 PM we will attend the pilgrims Mass at the main altar. Confessions in English will be available before and after Mass. After Mass everyone is free for the afternoon to enjoy lunch and siesta. At 4:00 PM we will meet again and visit the Cathedral rooftops for a great view of the sun going down over the city. We'll then have dinner together.

Tuesday, November 14

Today we depart for Fátima. First, however, we will stop at a shrine just outside of Braga, Portugal, nicknamed the "Portuguese Rome." There we will visit the famous *Bom Jesus Do Monte Sanctuary* and have lunch. We'll then depart for Fátima where we will check in at *Hotel Estrela de Fátima*. That evening we will have dinner at the hotel.

Wednesday, November 15

Today is a day set aside for prayer. Mass, Eucharistic adoration and the rosary are among the activities planned for the day. How blessed we will be; actually there at the site of the Blessed Mother's apparitions to the three shepherd children, Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta!



Hotel San Miguel, Compostela

Thursday, November 16

After mass and the rosary we will depart for the beautiful *Convent of Christ*, a castle and convent outside of Fatima, once a Knights Templar stronghold. After lunch we'll return to Fatima and prepare for our journey home. We'll then enjoy our final farewell dinner together before heading out to the Holiday Inn Express near Lisbon's airport. Tonight will be an early night as we depart at 5:00 AM the next morning!

Friday, November 17

Our bus will take us directly to Lisbon Portela International Airport, where we'll depart for Amsterdam and then onto Minneapolis and then back to Billings.



Convent of Christ, Tomar

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10 Day Pilgrimage Escorted by Fr. Louis Shea

Request a Registration Form Today. Only 25 Places Available!

TOUR DETAILS:

Departure from USA: November 7, 2017
Arrive in Lourdes, France: November 8, 2017
End in Lisbon, Portugal: November 17, 2017
Return to USA: November 17, 2017

COST:

\$3,995 USD — per person, air-inclusive

A non-refundable deposit of \$295 per person is required at time of booking. Space is limited!
Single occupancy rate available on request. Please contact ProRome Tours, LLC for details.

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REGISTRATION & PAYMENT DETAILS:

March 24

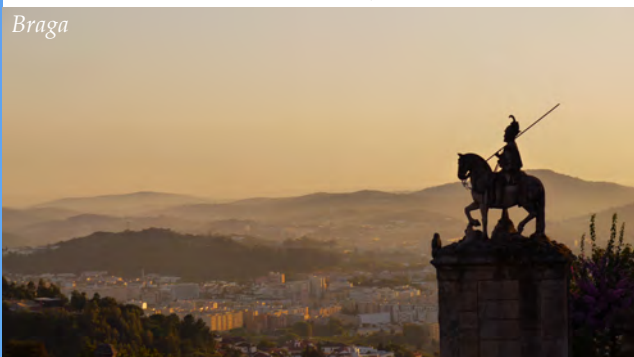
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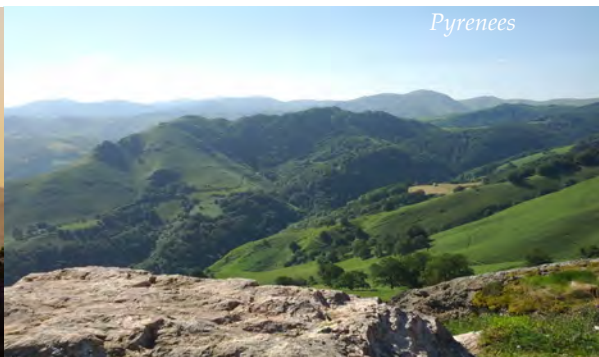
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Braga



Pyrenees



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

SIGHTSEEING: Visits to the sanctuaries of Lourdes, Fátima and Braga, Saint-Jean-Pied-du-Port, Roncesvalles, Pyrenees Mountains, Santiago de Compostela, Burgos, Templar Castle at Ponferrada and the Convent of Christ in Tomar. **TRANSPORTATION:** Touring by private, first-class, air-conditioned motor-coach

FREE WI-FI available on your motor-coach and in hotels

MEALS: Full buffet breakfast daily and dinner daily. Always with a choice of menus.

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE: Travel / medical insurance (available for purchase through ProRome Tours); excess baggage; daily lunch; tips to the local guides, driver and tour director; all items of a personal nature such as laundry, cleaning, telephone, fax expenses, etc.



Fatima