



# JOURNEY TO TURIN IN THE YEAR OF THE SHROUD

A Paschal Pilgrimage with our Mother Mary and the Saints who teach us the Spiritual Path

**Portugal • Spain • France • Italy** 

May 4-15, 2015

with

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### Day 1 - May 4: U.S.A. / Lisbon

Your pilgrimage begins today as you depart on your flight to Portugal.

### Day 2 - May 5: Arrive Lisbon / Fatima

After a morning arrival in Lisbon, you will meet your knowledgeable local escort who will be with you throughout your stay. Begin your drive north stopping in Santarem for Mass at the Church of St. Stephen, famous for its venerated relic, "the Bleeding Host". Then on to Fatima, one of the world's most important Marian Shrines.

### Day 3 - May 6: Fatima

Today we will celebrate Mass on the spot where Our Lady appeared at the Chapel of Apparitions. Visit the Basilica to see the site of Francisco and Jacinta's graves and then on to the hamlet of Aljustrel where the three children lived during the Apparitions. Continue to Valinhos, the site where Our Lady appeared following the children's release from prison. This evening participate in the Stations of the Cross along the Via Sacre, site of the first Apparition.



### Day 4 - May 7: Fatima / Salamanca

This morning leave Portugal for Spain. En route we will stop in Coimbra, a famous university town, to visit the Convent of Santa Clara La Nova where sister Lucia resided until her death in 2005. Continue on across the Portuguese-Spanish border to Salamanca, one of Spain's foremost cultural centers, a great university city and a showcase of intricately sculpted Renaissance architecture in golden stone. Visit the Plaza Mayor, which is regarded as one of the most attractive squares in Spain, and the Cathedrals Vieja and Nueva.

### Day 5 - May 8: Salamanca / Burgos

After breakfast depart Salamanca for the walled city of

Avila, the birthplace of St. Theresa. Visit the Monastery of the Incarnation where St. Teresa spent many years of her life, then to the Monastery of St. Joseph, her first foundation. Continue to Segovia where we will visit the great Gothic Cathedral, the extraordinary Alcazar fortress, the splendid Roman Aqueduct, and the tomb of St. John of the Cross. Drive on to Burgos, the cradle of Castille and the gothic capital of Spain, for overnight.



Day 6 - May 9: Burgos / Azpeitia

This morning we will have a guided city tour of Burgos including the famous Burgos Cathedral, the third largest church of Spain and one of the country's most magnificent for its beautiful Spanish gothic style. Its construction was carried out in stages over three centuries and involved many of the greatest artists and architects of Europe. We will also visit the Arco de Santa Maria, the Old Town, and the Abbey of Santa María la Real de Las Huelgas. After Mass at the Abbey we will drive to the area of Azpeitia for overnight.

### Day 7 - May 10: Azpeitia / Lourdes

Following breakfast we drive to Oñati to visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Aranzazu and after a guided tour proceed to Loyola. Here, in 1491 Iñigo Lopez de Loyola Oñaz was born in the Castle of Loyola. We know him as St. Ignatius of Loyola. Visit and celebrate Mass at San Ignacio Basilica where our Lady appeared with the Christ child to St. Ignatius, the founder of the Jesuit order. We then drive across the Spanish-French border to Lourdes, one of the great pilgrimage shrines in the world. It was here where Our Lady appeared to Bernadette in 1858 proclaiming herself the "Immaculate Conception".

## Day 8 - May 11: Lourdes

You have all day to experience the special atmosphere of this beautiful town. Attend Mass at the Grotto of Massabielle, visit the Basilica of St. Pius X, see the house

where Bernadette lived during the Apparitions, and visit several of the sites where miraculous cures have taken place. After dinner, join the candlelight procession.



Day 9 - May 12: Lourdes / Avignon

After Mass we will depart Lourdes for Avignon which is often referred to as the "City of Popes" because it was the seat of the Papacy during the Catholic Schism from 1309 to 1377 instead of Rome. Upon arrival we will visit the impressive Palais des Papes (Papal Palace) before checking into our hotel.



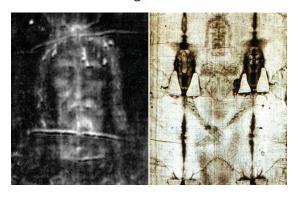
Day 10 - May 13: Avignon / Turin

This morning we will celebrate Mass at the Cathedral of Avignon. Then depart France and drive along the French Riviera to Nice for a panoramic view of this beautiful resort. Continue on to the Principality of Monaco and enjoy a visit of Monte Carlo. Then continue our drive across the French-Italian border to Turin for overnight.

### Day 11 - May 14: Turin / Milan

Today we will view the Shroud of Turin in the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. The Shroud is said to be the burial cloth of Christ and it bears the distinct image of a crucified man. We will have what is perhaps a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to view the Shroud. After viewing the Shroud we will enjoy a tour of the city including visits to the Palazzo Real, Palazzo Madama,

and Mole Antonelliana. We will then depart Turin and drive to Milan for overnight.



Day 12 - May 15: Milan / U.S.A.
This morning we will transfer to the airport to catch our return flight home.

# **TOUR COST**

\$3,539.00

per person based upon double occupancy

For single occupancy please add \$523.00.

# This price includes:

- Roundtrip airfare from Columbus including all airline taxes/fuel surcharges as currently levied
- Accommodation in First Class/4 star hotels in Fatima, Salamanca, Burgos, Lourdes, Avignon, Turin and Milan
- Accommodation in a comfortable pilgrim guest house in Azpeitia
- All hotel taxes
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Land transportation by deluxe motorcoach
- All transfers and baggage handling at hotels
- ★ Sightseeing with professional local guides
- All entrance fees as per itinerary
- Daily Mass

Airfares from other departure cities throughout the United States are available upon request.