

A 9-Day Pilgrimage to
NORTHERN FRANCE

with Fr. Nicholas Ward & Fr. Daniel Koehl

MAY 18-26, 2027



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The goal of this pilgrimage is “to put people in communion, in intimacy, with Jesus Christ: only he can lead us to the love of the Father in the Spirit and make us share in the life of the Holy Trinity.”

- POPE SAINT JOHN PAUL II, *CATECHESI TRADENDAE*

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

DAY 1: MAY 18 — ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Depart today onboard our overnight transatlantic jet flights to Paris, France, arriving the following day. Enjoy a full meal service as well as in-flight entertainment such as movies, music, etc.

DAY 2: MAY 19 — ARRIVAL IN PARIS / ROUEN CATHEDRAL

Upon arrival at the Paris International Airport (CDG), we will be welcomed at the airport exit by our dedicated local pilgrimage guide. Next we will board our deluxe motorcoach and transfer to Rouen where we will visit the famous cathedral with its three majestic towers, each designed in a different style. The cathedral is perhaps most famous for Monet's series of Impressionist paintings he made of its Gothic facade. Here we will have our welcome Mass, followed by lunch on our own. In the afternoon, we will check-in to our hotel with free time to rest and adjust to the time change. In the evening we will gather for our celebratory welcome dinner (included), served with local dishes. Overnight in Rouen. (D)

DAY 3: MAY 20 — ROUEN / BEAUVAIS CATHEDRAL / AMIENS CATHEDRAL

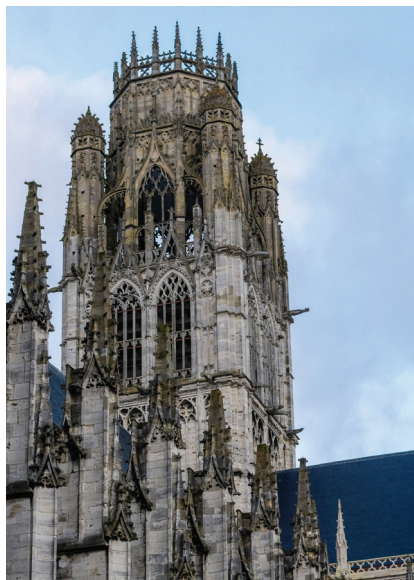
Following breakfast, we will board our motorcoach for the scenic drive to visit two nearby towns known for their High Gothic cathedrals: Beauvais and Amiens. First, we will visit the mighty Beauvais Cathedral. It boasts the highest Gothic choir in the world. Construction began in 1225. Here we will have our Mass. The great French architect Viollet-de-Duc paid the cathedral an immense compliment when he called its choir “the Parthenon of French Gothic.” Afterwards, we will make time for shopping and lunch on our own. In the afternoon, we will continue on our motorcoach to visit the nearby Amiens Cathedral, a magnificent structure completed almost entirely between 1220-1270. This beautiful church is an early example of the High Gothic style, built with an impressive unity of style. We will admire the maximized internal dimensions, designed in such a way to allow in as much light as possible, with soaring vaults reaching the heavens. In the late afternoon, we will return to Rouen for a free evening and dinner on our own. Overnight in Rouen. (B)

DAY 4: MAY 21 — THE SANCTUARY OF LISIEUX

After breakfast and hotel check-out, we will depart for Lisieux, the hometown of St. Thérèse, the “Little Flower.” We will begin our time here with a visit to the Carmelite monastery where the saint lived, died, and is buried. After visiting the convent museum, we will make time to pray before her mortal remains in a side chapel attached to the main convent chapel of the Carmel. Afterwards, we will visit the childhood home of Thérèse, called “Les Buissonnetes.” Here we will tour the house and gardens, visiting the saint's childhood bedroom. In the afternoon we will have lunch on our own near the cathedral where the Martin family attended Sunday Mass. In the afternoon we will visit the nearby massive Sanctuary built in the saint's honor, where her saintly parents are entombed in the crypt. Here we will have our Mass. Finally, we will have our hotel check-in with a quiet dinner on our own. Overnight in Lisieux. (B)

DAY 5: MAY 22 — OMAHA BEACH / UTAH BEACH LANDING MUSEUM / AMERICAN CEMETERY

Following breakfast and hotel check-out, we will board our motorcoach and drive to Normandy Beach, the location of the D-Day landings of June 6, 1944. This is one of the most iconic battle sites in modern history. Here we will visit Omaha Beach, the most well-known of the five code-named landing beaches. We will visit the Utah Beach Landing Museum and make a solemn visit to the Normandy American Cemetery where the American fallen are buried. Our Mass this day will be celebrated en route at a local church. Lunch on our own. Transfer in the afternoon to Mont-Saint-Michel where we will check-in to our hotel followed by dinner on our own. Overnight near Mont-Saint-Michel. (B)





DAY 6: MAY 23 — MONT-SAINT-MICHEL

After breakfast, we will board our motorcoach and transfer to the famous tidal island of Mont-Saint-Michel. One of the most enchanting destinations in France, this splendid island has at its heart an Abbey church and monastery dedicated to St. Michael the Archangel. The mesmerizing beauty of this ethereal destination attracts over 1.5 million visitors per year. We will ascend the island and explore the charming medieval streets. Our Mass will be in the small parish church at the base of the medieval city. After lunch, free time for shopping and exploring on our own. In the late afternoon we will descend and board our motorcoach for our hotel. Dinner on our own. Overnight near Mont-Saint-Michel. (B)

DAY 7: MAY 24 — CHARTRES CATHEDRAL / PANORAMIC BUS TOUR OF PARIS / BASILICA OF SACRE COEUR

After breakfast and hotel check-out, we will board our motorcoach and enjoy the scenic return drive back to Paris. We will make a stop in Chartres in order to celebrate Mass inside the majestic Chartres Cathedral. This famous French Gothic church was constructed between 1194-1220 and is considered the most influential and emblematic example of Gothic architecture. Afterwards, lunch on our own. In the afternoon, we will continue our drive to Paris for a panoramic motorcoach tour, providing a glimpse of the capital's major monuments: the Eiffel Tower, the prestigious avenue known as the Champs-Élysées, and the Arc de Triomphe. We will then visit the enchanting Basilica of the Sacred Heart of Montmartre. This majestic church has famously offered perpetual Eucharistic adoration every day without interruption since 1885. Hotel check-in and dinner on our own. Overnight in Paris. (B)



DAY 8: MAY 25 — A DAY IN PARIS

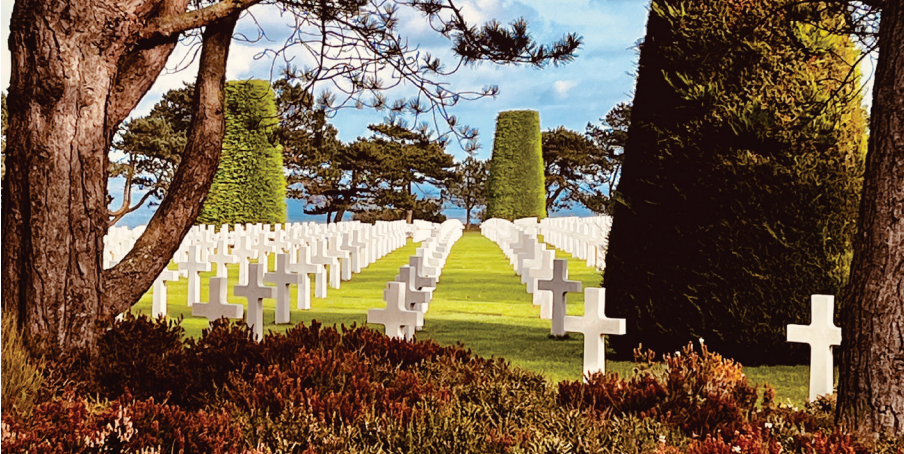
After breakfast, we will depart for the Chapel of St. Vincent de Paul to venerate the relics of this great French saint. Then we will walk to the nearby Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, a popular sanctuary in Paris where several authenticated apparitions of the Virgin Mary took place in 1830. It is here that we will celebrate our Mass. Following, we will make time to enjoy lunch on our own at the well-known marketplace next door known as Le Bon Marche. Then, we will board our motorcoach and make our way to visit the breathtaking Sainte-Chapelle (Holy Chapel), a royal treasure and one of the highest achievements of Gothic architecture. Consecrated in 1248, this architectural masterpiece was built by King Louis IX to house the Crown of Thorns. Following, we will walk to the nearby cathedral Notre-Dame de Paris, a jewel of Catholic France where we will have a guided tour to see the recently restored structure, repaired after the devastating fire of 2019. We will close the day with a boat cruise in the Seine River, with magnificent views of Notre-Dame Cathedral. Finally, motorcoach transfer to our hotel before our festive farewell dinner (included), served with local cuisine. Overnight in Paris. (B, D)

DAY 9: MAY 26 — OUR JOURNEY HOME

After a very early breakfast and hotel check-out, with warm memories of our time in France, we will transfer to the Paris International Airport (CDG) for our return flights home. (B)



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- Two pre-departure information meetings
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What's not included:

- Airfare (*airfare from your airport of choice is available upon request*)
- Meals not mentioned above
- Tips for the local guide & driver (*estimated €120 total*)
- Travel insurance (*optional, but highly recommended*)

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- A non-refundable deposit of **\$500** per person is due upon registration.
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