



## St. Bernadette Special Needs Pilgrimage

October 13-19, 2019

New York JFK & Chicago ORD Departures

### About Pilgrimage and Lourdes

The purpose of pilgrimage is to grow in faith while on a spiritual journey to a holy place. The experience of pilgrimage reminds us we are in exile in this life, created to be with God for eternity. Pilgrimage allows for time from our everyday life to seek God or grow closer to God. We can then meet Him in each person and embrace opportunities to grow in holiness.

In 1858, the Mother of God appeared to a young girl named Bernadette Soubirous of the town of Lourdes in the Pyrenees Mountains, France. There were eighteen apparitions in the Lourdes Grotto including a request to pray, to uncover a spring of water, to build a chapel and to come in procession. Since then, thousands of scientifically documented cures and countless healings and conversions have occurred. Six million pilgrims from all over the world now visit the Grotto each year.

#### Join our pilgrimage family

- ◇ *as a pilgrim*
- ◇ *as a companion*
- ◇ *as a caregiver*
- ◇ *as a medical volunteer*



**New York—JFK \$2,899\***

**Chicago—ORD \$3,099\***

- 7 Days / 6 Nights
- airfare, taxes and fuel-surcharge (FSC)
- ground transfers
- Accueil Notre-Dame shared accommodations
- 3 meals daily in the Accueil dining room
- pilgrimage chaplain and group leader
- medical supportive care assistance
- personal care assistance

### Specialized Accommodations

The Accueil Notre-Dame is a Sanctuary's facility overlooking the Grotto and is a fully handicapped accessible facility unique to Lourdes offering medical equipment from hospital beds to Hoyer lifts to accommodate any physical need. Accueil shared accommodations for pilgrims, families, caregivers, companions and medical professionals are situated on the same floor. All meals are served on our floor in the Accueil dining room.

### Forms and Requirements

- Application and Health Form
- Registration Form
- copy of Valid US Passport
- Connecting Travel Form or flight itinerary
- medical license if applicable
- 2 passport size and quality photos
- Safe Environment Verification Form (Volunteers Only)
- letter of recommendation from priest (Volunteers)
- Code of Conduct & Dress Code agreement (Volunteers)

#### Payment Schedule:

Upon Reservation	\$ 1,000 Deposit + Insurance
July 15, 2019	\$1,899 or \$2,099 Final Payment
Through July 15	\$ 500 Cancellation Fee
July 16 to departure	All Payments Non Refundable

All checks payable to **Lourdes Volunteers**; credit cards accepted. Final payments are due 90 days prior to departure.

\*Does not include mandatory travel and medical insurance; premium based on trip cost & age and is due at reservation with deposit. See Travel Guard Group Description.

## Travel and Service Itinerary

- Day 1 Depart New York JFK or Chicago ORD on Delta-Air France overnight international flight. Goodbye USA!
- Day 2 Bienvenue! Arrival in Paris; connecting flight to Pau; private coach transfer to Lourdes for Welcome Mass and dinner.
- Day 3 Orientation meeting with afternoon visit of the Sanctuary and The Message of Lourdes; Mass in the Immaculate Conception Basilica and rooftop view of Candlelight Rosary Procession.
- Day 4 Morning International Mass in Pope Pius X Underground Basilica; afternoon of prayer and leisure followed by Candlelight Rosary Procession.
- Day 5 Tour "In the Footsteps of Bernadette" with visit to her birthplace and the Soubirous Cachot jail home; afternoon Mass with Anointing of the Sick, Eucharistic Procession, and evening of leisure.
- Day 6 Morning Grotto Mass followed by a visit to the baths (Piscines); pilgrimage family departure meeting and Stations of the Cross; dinner and packing for return home.
- Day 7 Early breakfast, departure for Air France flights home. Au revoir France! Welcome home USA!

### *Available daily throughout pilgrimage*

- ◇ *Mass with pilgrimage family*
- ◇ *Sacrament of Reconciliation*
- ◇ *Eucharistic Blessing*
- ◇ *Candlelight Rosary Procession*



## Air France Travel Itinerary available upon request!



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