



BASILIQUE DU SACRÉ COEUR (FREE ENTRY)

Parvis du Sacré Coeur , 75018 Paris

Open 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.; adorers only afterward
Divine Office Chanted: 8:00 a.m.; 12:00, 6:00 9:30 p.m.
Mass MON-SUN: 7:00, 11:00 a.m. and 6:30, 10:00 p.m.
Friday + 3:00 p.m.; Saturday 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m.

Location The closest Métro station is **Blue 2 Anvers**.

At exit, cross the street right and walk a few blocks up to the steep steps of the Basilica or instead of steps, go left to the Funicular on the right (Metro ticket).

The Basilica Perpetual Adoration has been present for over 100 years housed in the largest monstrance in the world. Adorers from everywhere come for time with the Blessed Sacrament. Those who adore for one hour at night are given overnight accommodations at a ~15 € rate, but must depart by 8:00 AM.

The surrounding Montemarte neighborhood can be unsafe. **Be very prudent.** The Benedictine Sisters are truly holy; once inside, it is tranquil and peaceful.

ST. PIERRE JULIEN EYMARD (FREE ENTRY)

EGLISE DU SAINT SACRAMENT

23 Avenue du Friedland, 75008 Paris

Open 10:00 a.m. - 12:00; 2:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Location Near the L'Arche de Triumphe, the closest Métro stop is **Yellow 1**

Charles de Gaulle Etoile, also accessible at the connection change with **Blue 2**. Be extremely careful not to cross the busy traffic circle. Take the underground tunnel to surface to Avenue du Friedland. The chapel is 3 blocks down on the right with a modest entrance.

Founding two orders, St. Pierre Julien (Peter Julian) Eymard had a devotion to the Blessed Sacrament promoting frequent reception of Holy Communion and Eucharistic Adoration. His remains are in the original chaise of the Curé of Ars, both saints beloved for their Eucharistic devotion.

The Chapel Once inside, the incorrupt body of the Eucharistic Adoration saint is on the right side altar.

(Not truly Catholic—but, famous art depicting the faith within!)

Musée du Louvre (22 € ADMISSION, EURO STUDENTS FREE)

Open 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. SUN-MON-THU-FRI-SAT; CLOSED TUESDAYS

Open until 9:00 PM on Wednesdays and Fridays (Closed JAN 1, MAY 1, DEC 25)

Location Métro stop Palais-Royal Musée du Louvre (**Lines 1 and 7**) *From Notre Dame Cathedral:* follow along the River Seine crossing right on Pont Neuf (bridge) continuing on with the River to your left, it is a 25-30 minute walk.



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Catholic Paris



Notre Dame Cathedral



St. Chapelle



Miraculous Medal



Sacré Coeur

TRAVEL, TIME AND DISTANCE

The city of Paris is separated by the River Seine running through it. The Eiffel Tower and Miraculous Medal are on the left bank. The Louvre and Sacré Coeur are on the right bank. Notre Dame Cathedral is on an island, Cité, in the river.

Walking is the best way to experience Paris, if you have the time. Uber or Bolt are available (no Lyft in Paris). Taxis can be pricey. The most convenient way to get around Paris is by the affordable and efficient **“Métro”** subway system.



Métro lines are referred to by Color and Number (**BLUE 2**), by route end direction (ie, Porte Dauphine) with an exit at the station nearest the destination. Most times, it is necessary to connect with more than one line or to make combination changes between different color lines. It may sound complex—it isn't! Don't be intimidated, but do be alert for pickpockets.

Color-coded wall-sized Métro maps are available inside the stations and small pocket-sized maps are free at the ticket counters. Tickets can be purchased at machines with credit cards or at a Métro stop stations. Day pass, single tickets or sets of tens can be purchased. Check for student and senior rates.

For an idea of distance, it is a 30 minute brisk walk from the Louvre over the Pont Royal (bridge) down Rue du Bac to the Miraculous Medal Shrine; it is 45 minutes or more average walking pace or a leisurely tourist hour or more. It is a 60 to 90 minute walk from the Miraculous Medal Shrine to Notre Dame.



MIRACULOUS MEDAL SHRINE (FREE ENTRY)

Chapelle Notre Dame de la Médaille Miraculeuse
140 rue du Bac, 75340 Paris (near rue de Sèvres)
Open: 7:45 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Closed 1:00 to 2:30 for lunch)
Daily Masses: 8:00, 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Weekend: Saturday Anticipated 5:15 p.m.; Sunday 7:30, 10:00 & 11:15 a.m.

Location: Métro stop **GREEN 12 Sevres-Babylon**—exit rue Valpeau street side
As you exit the Métro, cross the street; turn right on the corner of Bon Marché.
The Shrine is the next door down on the left side. (The entry is non-descript.)

The Daughters of Charity Convent is on a “back street” (“rue du Bac”) of Paris. This is where the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared in 1830 to a young novitiate, Catherine Labouré. The words “*O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee*” were encircling the Mother of God. She directed the novice to “have a medal struck after this model; all who wear it will receive great graces; they should wear it around the neck and graces will abound for those who wear it with confidence.” Medals were made and distributed. So many miracles and extraordinary conversions occurred that the Immaculate Conception medal has become widely known as the Miraculous Medal!

The Chapel Once you enter inside the large green street doors of the Shrine, a raised relief pictorial story of the apparitions is on the wall to the left. More than half-way down on the right side are clean, free bathrooms. Further down is a gift shop where Miraculous Medals, books and written materials are sold.

At the end on the right side is the entry to the Chapel of the apparitions. A wax replica of St. Louise de Marillac, co-founder of the order with St. Vincent de Paul, is above her tomb to the left of the altar. St. Catherine lies incorrupt on the right side of the altar. Above the chair where Our Lady sat during the apparitions is a reliquary holding the incorrupt heart of St. Vincent de Paul.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL (FREE ENTRY)

Priests of the Congregation of the Mission
95 rue de Sèvres, 75006 Paris
The Chapel is open 6:45 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul is a model of charity and lover of the poor. He founded the Vincentian Fathers.

Location The closest Métro stop is **Gold 10 Vaneau**, almost directly across the street. (From Miraculous Medal, exit right onto rue du Bac. Turn right at the corner on rue du Sèvres; the Shrine is half-way down the 2nd block on the left.)

The Chapel At the back, above the high altar is the glass-encased chasse of his wax-enclosed bones. There is a little back stairway to the right and left of the altar that will lead you up close and personal to the famous saint of charity.

LA SAINTE CHAPELLE (13 € ADMISSION)

4, boulevard du Palais, 75001
Open 9:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. April thru September
Open 9:00 a.m. to 5 :00 p.m. October thru March
CLOSED: January 1, May 1 and December 25



Location The closest Métro stop is **Dark Pink 4 Cité**.
At exit, to the right of the plaza is the main gate of the Palace du Justice. Walk toward the gates, cross the street and walk left to the entrance to the Chapel on the right. Reserve on line to avoid the long lines. Entry requires a security check, similar to airports. *Walking from Notre Dame to St. Chapelle:* with your back to the front of the Cathedral, walk away from the Cathedral for one block. At the next corner, cross the intersection and turn right on Boulevard du Palais. The Chapel entrance will be down the street mid-block on your left.

The Chapel King Louis IX built the palace addition to house the Crown of Thorns and True Cross relic secreted from Byzantium in the 13th century.

NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL (FREE ENTRY)

Place du parvis de Notre Dame, 75004 Paris
Open 7:45 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (10:00 p.m. Thursday)
Weekends Open 8:15 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Reserve a free-entry slot online at notredamedeparis.fr
Masses: M-F 8:00 a.m. (Sat 8:30); 12:00 noon; 6:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Adoration Thursdays at 6:45 p.m.
Crown of Thorns Veneration First Fridays 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.



Location The closest Métro stop is **Dark Pink 4 Cité**. Exit the Métro, coming up to turn around with the Grand Palace to the right; go left and make a right onto the street. Before the River Seine, turn left. The Cathedral is to the left down the block straight ahead.

The Church The #1 tourist site of France and most famous Catholic Cathedral dedicated to Our Lady seats 6,000 communicants. The Church is the epitome of Middle Ages Gothic architecture and design and is the magnificent home to the precious Crown of Thorns rescued by St. Helen, mother of Constantine, and brought to France by St. King Louis IX. This holy church truly is the jewel and heart of Paris reopening in 2024 after restoration from the tragic 2019 fire.

Artwork was a great teaching tool for the church prior to the printing press creating widespread availability of the Bible. Before the majority of the faithful were able to read and write, they could be taught the catechism in raised relief sculpture and spectacular colored stained glass at Notre Dame. An absolute must-see are the famous flying buttresses from the park behind the Cathedral!