

Join Deacon Ron Yurcus

# Fatima, Lourdes and the Shrines of Spain

October 24- November 5, 2016

\$2999 per person Double Occupancy - \$3439 Single Rate



## Your Customized Tour Package Includes:

- Roundtrip airfare from Chicago
- 11 night escorted tour via deluxe motor coach
- Services of a professional, multilingual Tour Director throughout, and sightseeing with local guides in Lisbon, Lourdes and Barcelona
- Inside visits and special features (includes admission charges where applicable)
- Meals: Buffet Breakfasts daily and 6 Dinners
- Headsets throughout the tour
- Mass in Fatima, Santiago de Compostela, San Ignacio de Loyola and Lourdes
- Escorted by Deacon Ron Yurcus with a minimum of 20 passengers



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Deacon Ron Yurcus of the Joliet Diocese currently serves as a permanent deacon at St. Petronille Parish in Glen Ellyn and will lead this pilgrimage. In addition to leading prayer services on the journey, his devotion to Jesus and Mary may inspire travelers to understand the power of praying the rosary during the trip. Deacon Ron has a history in ministry of reaching out through parish missions, hospice care, prison and police chaplaincy in addition to his sacramental duties. Previously a music director and teacher at St. James the Apostle Church in Glen Ellyn, his first diaconate assignment was at St. Francis of Assisi in Bolingbrook.

“Join us for a spiritual awakening and an inspirational journey through Portugal, Spain and France visiting the Shrines of Fatima and Lourdes, as well as, spectacular cathedrals and the Basque Region separating Spain and France. We will begin our trip in Lisbon, Portugal and end in Barcelona, Spain. All breakfasts and six sumptuous dinners are included in our trip. This exciting and affordable trip enables us to worship and travel as pilgrims together as we share an unforgettable experience.”

## ITINERARY

### Day 1 Arrive in Lisbon, Portugal

Welcome to Portugal! Check into your hotel, and tonight, meet your Tour Director and fellow travelers.

### Day 2 Lisbon–Santarem–Fatima

Henry the Navigator made Lisbon the 15th-century “Mistress of the Seas.” On your guided sightseeing tour you’ll see the enormous monument dedicated to him, as well as the fortified 16th-century Belém Tower, the Moorish citadel, impressive Black Horse Square, and the CATHEDRAL La Sé and Jeronimos MONASTERY, which dates back to the mid-1400s. Later, head north for a stop in Santarém to visit the CHURCH OF THE EUCHARISTIC HOLY MIRACLE. In the late-afternoon, arrive in FATIMA, site of one of the world’s most famous Catholic shrines. This evening, why not join the rosary and candlelight procession at the Our Lady of Fátima Basilica? (B, D)

### Day 3 Fatima

This morning, after Mass at the Sanctuary, time to visit Our Lady of Fátima SHRINE with the tombs of the visionaries, and the CHAPEL of the Apparitions, made famous by the Virgin Mary’s appearance to three shepherd children—Francisco, Jacinta, and Lucia—on May 13, 1917. This afternoon, time to explore on your own, or join a guided optional excursion. (B, D)

### Day 4 Fatima–Braga–Santiago De Compostela, Spain

Journey north this morning and stop in Braga, one of the oldest Christian cities in the world and nicknamed the “Portuguese Rome.” Visit the Bom Jesus do Monte (Good Jesus of the Mount) SANCTUARY and see the unique zigzag stairway that is dedicated to the five senses—sight, smell, hearing, touch, and taste—and the three theological virtues—faith, hope, and charity. Cross into Spain and head for Santiago de Compostela. Later, attend Mass followed by the Rosary. (B, D)

### Day 5 Santiago de Compostela

This morning, visit St. James’ CATHEDRAL. Santiago de Compostela has been known throughout history for the key 9th-century pilgrimage route, the Way of St. James, to its cathedral, which houses the Apostle James’ remains beneath the high altar. Later, explore on your own or join an optional excursion to Cabo Finisterre, where pilgrims complete their walk and burn their robes. (B)

### Day 6 Santiago De Compostela–Burgos

Today, travel to Burgos, the historic capital of Old Castile. Your visit takes you to the magnificent CATHEDRAL, a masterpiece of gothic architecture and the burial place of Spanish national hero El Cid. (B)

### Day 7 Burgos–San Ignacio de Loyola–Lourdes, France

Travel through the Basque region toward Lourdes. En route, attend Mass at the 17th-century SANCTUARY of Loyola, built in honor of San Ignacio de Loyola, founder of the Jesuit religious order. See its spectacular dome and main altarpiece, built in marble and jasper. Cross the border into France, and overnight in Lourdes, home to another of the world’s most famous places of pilgrimage. Join the nightly Rosary and candlelight procession for a memorable experience. (B, D)

### Day 8 Lourdes

Today's guided walking tour includes the GROTTA where the Virgin Mary appeared to St. Bernadette in 1858, Our Lady of Lourdes SHRINE, Bernadette's BIRTHPLACE, and her FAMILY HOME. The afternoon is at leisure to further explore this little market town that became a world-renowned pilgrimage site during the 19th century. Attend Mass. (B, D)

### Day 9 Lourdes–Carcassonne–Barcelona, Spain

Leave France this morning and head for the French-Spanish border. En route, visit fortified Carcassonne, a UNESCO World Heritage Site founded by the Visigoths in the 5th century and the most medieval-looking city in France. See the ramparts, castle walls, and drawbridges that are still well preserved from the Middle Ages. Overnight in Catalonia's lively and beautiful capital, Barcelona. (B)

### Day 10 Barcelona

Guided sightseeing includes a drive around Montjuïc to see the Olympic Stadium and a great panoramic view of the port and city. Continue to the city center to Plaza Catalunya and Paseo de Gracia to admire the fascinating eccentricity of Gaudi's architectural masterpieces in Houses Batlló and Milà and the SAGRADA FAMILIA. (B)

### Day 11 Barcelona

Day at leisure. Maybe join the optional excursion to the pilgrimage site of Montserrat and its countryside, situated 4,055 feet above sea level in a mountain range composed of strikingly pink conglomerate, a form of sedimentary rock, and site of the Benedictine abbey that hosts the Black Virgin of Montserrat Sanctuary, patron saint of Catalonia. This evening, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

### Day 12 Barcelona

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. (B)

## RESERVATIONS & INFORMATION

**Payment Schedule:** \$600 per person by check or credit card, due at time of reservation along with completed Reservation Form, and copy of passport.

**Make all checks payable to:** Viking Travel Service

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**Final payment is due June 21, 2016** by check or credit card.

**Pricing:** Tour pricing and operation is based on a minimum of 20 passengers. All prices are subject to any fuel surcharges, tax increases, currency fluctuations, and any other surcharges imposed by the airline, hotels, motor coaches and/or government are beyond our control. Reservations made after final payment date are subject to availability, late booking fee and re-pricing. Deviations in group itineraries are subject to additional fees and may not be possible.

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**Documentation:** A valid passport is required for travel. Passports must be valid for a minimum of 6 months from return date and have blank pages. All names on reservation forms and tickets must match names as they appear on your passport.

**Price does not include: Travel Guard Insurance,** Items of personal nature, such as passport, and phone calls. Note: Subject to any increases in air taxes, fuels supplements, baggage or government fees beyond our control.

**Activity Level:** Most tours require average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven ground and cobblestone streets.

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Date of Deposit to June 20, 2016: \$600 pp penalty, June 21, 2016 to date of departure: 100% total charges.

### TRAVEL GUARD GROUP INSURANCE PROTECTION

Double Occupancy per person cost is \$195.00; Single cost is \$224. We recommend that you consider taking this Insurance Protection.

**FATIMA, LOURDES & SHRINES OF SPAIN RESERVATION FORM OCTOBER 24-NOVEMBER 5, 2016**

Cost (please indicate)  \$2999 (pp. double)  \$3439 (pp. single)

Legal Name— as it Appears on Your Passport

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First Middle Last  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Please fill out separate reservation form if not traveling with a spouse.**

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**Payment Information**

Deposit: enclosed is \$600 per person deposit for \_\_\_\_\_ persons = Total Deposit \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Insurance Protection:  \$195 pp/double occupancy = Total Insurance \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$224 Single rate = Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Payments:  Visa  MasterCard  American Express

Name of cardholder: \_\_\_\_\_ Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reservation form must be filled out completely, signed and submitted with deposit and copy of passport. VT Group # E 5210**



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