

Discalced Carmelite Pilgrimage to Spain

In honor of the 5 Tucson Carmelite Martyrs of the Spanish civil war October 11th - 21st 2019 (11 days / 9 nights)

CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF SANTA CRUZ CATHOLIC CHURCH IN TUCSON







Br. Angel of Saint Joseph



Fr. Vicente of the Cross



Fr. Lucas of Saint Joseph



Fr. Pedro of Saint Elijah

Visiting Avila, Alba De Tormes, Valladolid, Burgos, Pamplona, San Sebastian, Loyola, Zaragoza, Lleida, Vic, Montserrat, Barcelona and Tarragona.

Price at \$4509.00 per person double occupancy. Single supplement **\$529.00** additional Minimum of 15 participants required for the trip. Our price will decrease to **\$3842 per person** if we have 25 participants sign up for this tour.

Above prices included:

- Flight from Los Angeles, CA to Madrid, Spain returning from Barcelona to Los Angeles, CA
- 2 nights at Centro International Teresiano Sanjuanista
- 1 night First class hotel, Burgos, Spain
- 2 nights First class hotel, Pamplona, Spain
- 1 night First class hotel, Lleida, Spain
- 1 night First class hotel, Vic, Spain
- 2 nights First class hotel, Barcelona, Spain
- Breakfast & Dinner daily
- Mass to be celebrated daily by Fr. Stephen Watson
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour manager from arrival to departure
- Local guides as required for city tours
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- Porterage of one piece per person on arrival and departure at each hotel
- Headphones for enhanced touring

Not included:

- Meals unless specified, optional tours, gratuities and anything not mentioned in this package
- Travel protection insurance
- Donations to churches not included
- Itineraries and prices are subject to change in case of fuel surcharge imposed by airlines and/or government taxes.



With Fr. Stephen Watson

PILGRIMAGE ITINERARY:

Day 1 - Oct 11, 2019 Los Angeles / Madrid

Depart from Los Angeles Airport

Day 2 - Oct 12 Madrid / Avila

Clear customs and immigration and meet your tour manager in the arrivals hall. Board your coach and transfer to Madrid city center for an orientation drive of the city.

We then travel on to Avila, our home for the next two nights.

Dinner at CITeS.

Overnight: Avila

Meals: Dinner

Day 3 - Oct 13 Tour of Avila

After breakfast we will visit the city of Avila. Here the atmosphere has changed very little since the days of St. Teresa, to whom the city is dedicated. St. Teresa, the great mystic, was the first woman to be named a doctor of the church.

We will visit: **The crypt of La Santa Convent**, built on the site of the house where St. Teresa was born; **La Encarnacion Convent**, where she became A nun and which is home to the most comprehensive museum dedicated to her life; **The cathedral** and **Cuatro Postes** (four columns) which commemorates St. Teresa. At the age of seven, she convinced her brother to run away with her to die as martyrs in the land of the moors. Their uncle caught them at this site, Cuatro Postes, and returned them home.

Dinner at CITeS, this evening. Optional dinner in a restaurant at your own expense if desire, a la carte dining.

Overnight: Avila

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 4 - Oct 14

Avila / Alba de Tormes / Valladolid / Burgos

This day, we depart to Alba de Tormes. The relatively unassuming convent of the annunciation in this picturesque town is the site of the tomb of Teresa of Avila, perhaps the greatest female theologian in Christian history. The convent, one of a score which St. Teresa founded, unexpectedly found itself in the saintly spotlight when Teresa died there while passing through the town. It is now the most important Carmelite shrine in the world.

Alba de Tormes is currently witnessing the construction of a new basilica, an increasingly rare event, which will eventually house Teresa's final resting place. Continue to Valladolid to find the fourth convent founded by Saint Teresa – A convent with exceptional works of art in the cloister and the choirs. In what use to be her cell you can also see the original handwritten text of her main literary work, "the way of perfection", and many of her letters. We then continue to Burgos for evening dinner and overnight.

Dinner at hotel. **Overnight:** Burgos **Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner



Avila



Convent of St. Teresa -Avila



Basilica St. Teresa -Alba de Tormes



Valladolid



Burgos Cathedral



San Milla de Cogolla Yusa



San Sebastian



Zaragosa

Day 5 - Oct 15 "The Feast Day of St. Teresa of Avila" Burgos / San Milla de Cogolla Yusa / Pamplona

After breakfast, we start our morning tour in Burgos. Saint Teresa arrived here in 1581 to establish her last convent: the Convent of San José and Santa Ana. Here you can see several of Saint Teresa's relics, like espadrilles, a veil and a letter that she wrote. You can also visit the church of San Ginés, where Saint Teresa would go to mass. In the afternoon, we drive to Pamplona with a stop in San Milla de Cogolla Yusa for lunch (own expense) and orientation with your tour manager. Stay in Pamplona for evening.

Dinner at hotel. **Overnight:** Pamplona **Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

Day 6 - Oct 16

Pamplona / San Sebastian / Loyola / Pamplona

Following breakfast, depart to the stunning seaside resort of San Sebastian, encircled by leafy mountains and sandy beaches looking out onto sparkling bays. Often called the "pearl" of northern Spain, in this coastal gem, view the gorgeous architecture and the lovely plazas and flower-filled parks that dot the city. Continue to Loyola. Here in 1491. Íñigo López de Loyola was born in the Castle de Loyola. We know him better as St. Ignatius of Loyola. We visit the shrine of St. Ignatius. Mass at Loyola and return to Pamplona where you will have little free time before dinner at the hotel. (Late dinner).

Overnight: Pamplona **Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

Day 7 - oct 17 Pamplona / Zaragoza / Lleida

Following breakfast, your group will depart for Zaragoza. While in Zaragoza, you will have the opportunity to visit the magnificent Basilica del Pilar that was built upon the site of where Our Lady appeared to St. James. While inside the basilica, you will view the pillar that was carried by angels and from where our lady appeared. Following your visit to the Basilica del Pilar, you will visit La Seo Cathedral (Cathedral of Zaragoza). Formally known as the church of San Vicente during the Visigoth Period, it contains architectural elements of Gothic, Mudejar, Renaissance and Baroque styles. Continue to Lleida for dinner at hotel.

Overnight: Lleida Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 8 - Oct 18 Lleida / Vic

The morning tour is of Lleida, an ancient city in Spain's northeastern Catalonia region. Visit the cathedral of St. Mary of La Seo Vella, the former cathedral church of the Roman Catholic diocese of Lleida. In 1707, the Gothic Cathedral was turned into a military citadel by king Philip V of Spain. We later depart to Vic, an important Catalan town with a long history and a rich local culture. There are a number of historic monuments to be admired in the town, Vic is also renowned for its gastronomy, with the local cured meats considered some of the best in Catalonia. Visit the the Plaça Majos, Vic's main square and the Saint Pere cathedral. This cathedral was erected in the 11th century and the original Romanesque crypt and bell tower from this time are still visible today. Evening dinner at hotel.

Overnight: Vic

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 9 - Oct 19

Vic / Montserrat / Barcelona

After breakfast, we depart to Montserrat. Visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Montserrat, located on a rugged mountainside. According to Catholic tradition, St. Luke carved the statue of the Black Madonna around 50 A.D. and brought it to Spain. While in Spain, it was hidden from the Moor, and then later rediscovered by shepherds. In 880 A.D., the shepherds and the Bishop of Manresa were drawn to a grotto by a bright light and heavenly music. Upon discovery of the statue of the Black Madonna in the grotto, the Bishop of Manresa suggested that it be moved to Manresa. However, the status was too heavy that it could not be lifted. As a result, the Virgin remained in Montserrat and continued to be venerated there for centuries. As years progressed, a number of chapels were built upon the site and in the eleventh century, the abbot-bishop Oliba founded a monastery on Montserrat, next to one of these chapels

In the afternoon drive on to Barcelona. Dinner at hotel.

Overnight: Barcelona Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 10 - Oct 20

Barcelona / Tarragona / Barcelona

Morning tour in Barcelona. Start your day at the iconic symbol of the city - Gaudi's masterpiece, La Sagrada Familia, a colossal church that is legendary and still unfinished after 100 years. As you enter this incredible architectural jewel, gaze at the forest of pillars soaring toward the ceiling while sunlight pours through the windows. Then on to Gaudi's Parc Guell, one of the most famous sights of Barcelona with its split ceramics decorating winding banks over a strange looking Roman temple. Here, Gaudi has created a fabulous forest within a park – you'll be enchanted by his ingenuity. In the afternoon, we drive to the port city of Tarragona. On our tour we will explore the ancient Roman city. Visit Tarragona's striking amphitheater along the Mediterranean, a site that once played host to bloody gladiatorial combat. Return to Barcelona. Farewell dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight: Barcelona Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 11 - Oct 21
Barcelona / Los Angeles
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Transfer to the airport for an early departure

Meals: Box Breakfast.



Vic



Montserrat



Barcelona



Tarragona



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SIGN UP INFORMATION

If interested, please fill out the following application form and send a check deposit of \$500.00 per person (Non-refundable) to hold your space (We accept checks only): Make check payable to Avenue of Travel.

Avenue of Travel LLC 21923 Caprock Cyn, San Antonio, Texas 78258.

<u>Final payment due 7/10/2019.</u> Sorry but credit card payment is not accepted, this is a specialized tour group.

If you have questions, contact Angela Yang by e-mail at aokyang@gmail.com or telephone us at (626) 394-4367.

<u>Important Information:</u>

- **Entry Requirements:** US citizens require a passport valid for six months beyond travel dates.
- No seat assignments in advance! All seats will be assigned by airlines.
- This tour will require a lot of walking; therefore participants should be physically fit.

Cancellation Penalty as follows:

Cancel after 7/11/2019: 75% of total fare paid

Cancel after 08/10/2019: Total fare non-refundable

APPLICATION FORM

First Passenger - As it appears on passport Last Name: First Name: Middle Name: Date of Birth			
		Home Telephone:	Cell Phone:
		E-mail Address(es):	
		Travel Insurance (additional cost): Ye	esNo
First Name:Middle Name:Date of Birth			
Home Telephone:	Cell Phone:		
E-mail Address(es):			
Travel Insurance (additional cost): Ye	esNo		
We will quote you the cost of travel i	nsurance once deposit is received.		
Room stay: Single Double room with			
or need roommate			