

NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

# LOURDES & ITALY PILGRIMAGE

11 DAYS: NOVEMBER 4 - 14, 2019

*Visiting*

LOURDES \* AVIGNON \* NICE  
FLORENCE \* ASSISI \* ROME

*Hosted by*

MSGR. JOSEPH BIXENMAN

*Co-Hosted by*

MR. NICK FLORES

**\$3499 PER PERSON FROM DALLAS**

(Air/land tour price is \$2999 plus \$500 government taxes/airline surcharges)



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## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- \* Round trip airfare from Dallas.
- \* \$500 government taxes & airline surcharges.
- \* Accommodations at a first class/select hotels based on two persons sharing in twin-bedded rooms with private bath.
- \* Most meals.
- \* Services of a professional English-speaking tour guide.
- \* Comprehensive sightseeing.
- \* All admission fees, portorage and hotel service charges.
- \* Transfers to/from airports by private motorcoach including meeting/assistance and portorage.
- \* Automatic \$100,000 Flight Insurance policy.  
*(Subject to policy terms and limitations)*

## DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

### DALLAS/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Depart Dallas today on board your overnight transatlantic jet flight to France, arriving the following day. En-route enjoy dinner followed by a full-length movie.

### ARRIVE FRANCE/LOURDES

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Your spiritual pilgrimage begins with your arrival in France. Proceed to the shrine city of Lourdes where Mary appeared in 1858 to a young shepherd girl. **(D)**

### LOURDES

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Between February 11 and July 16, 1858, the Virgin Mary appeared in the Grotto of Massabielle to the poor shepherd girl, Bernadette, a total of 18 times. Scratching the ground as instructed by the Virgin, Bernadette saw a miraculous spring well up where none had existed before. Visit the places associated with the life of St. Bernadette including the Grotto of Apparitions, Rosary Basilica, Basilica of St. Pius X and the Way of the Cross over the Hillside. There will also be an opportunity to take the Miraculous Waters of Lourdes. **(B,D)**



*Lourdes*

### LOURDES/CARCASSONE/AVIGNON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Drive to Tarbes and proceed through the province of Languedoc to Carcassone, the greatest fortress city in Europe. In the 8th century, the city withstood a siege by Charlemagne for five years. Some of the fortifying walls still standing were built by the Romans in the 3rd and 4th centuries. Continue to Avignon in the Provence region. Six French Popes reigned here before the Papacy was returned to Rome in 1377. **(B,D)**

### AVIGNON/NICE

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

On your morning tour of Avignon, visit the imposing Palace of the Popes, a magnificent example of medieval architecture, and Notre Dame Cathedral. Continue through Provence to the Grand Dame of French Riviera resort cities, Nice, situated on the beautiful Bay of Angels. Tour the old town and the flower market and drive along the famous Promenade des Anglais. **(B,D)**



*Nice*

### NICE/GENOA/FLORENCE

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Cross the border into Italy this morning and drive along the Tyrenian coast to historic Genoa, the port city that was home to Christopher Columbus. Then continue to Florence, the cradle of Renaissance Art and former stronghold of the Medici family. **(B,D)**

### FLORENCE/ASSISI

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

This morning your sightseeing tour takes you to the Piazza della Signoria, where the Neptune Fountain stands, the Santa Croce Church, Giotto's Bell Tower, and the Baptistry with Ghiberti's "Gates of Paradise" doors. To top it all, visit the Academia to see Michelangelo's original statue of David. In the afternoon, depart Florence for Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis. **(B,D)**



**(B,D)**

**ASSISI/ROME**

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11**

On your tour of Assisi, visit the great Basilica of St. Francis, the Church of St. Clare and Santa Maria degli Angeli with its ‘thorn less rose bush’. This afternoon drive on the Autostrada del Sole to the region of Lazio and the unforgettable and Eternal City of Rome. **(B,D)**

**ROME**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12**

Your morning tour takes you to Vatican City to visit the remarkable Vatican Museum and Gallery and the Sistine Chapel with Michelangelo’s magnificent frescoes. End your morning tour at the Basilica of St. Peter. The afternoon takes you to the Basilicas of St. Paul’s Outside the Walls, St. John Lateran, and St. Mary Major. End your inspirational tour with a visit of the Catacombs, an early Christian burial place. **(B)**



*Trevi Fountain ~ Rome*

**ROME – PAPAL AUDIENCE**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

After breakfast drive to Vatican City and attend an Audience with Our Holy Father Pope Francis. The afternoon is free to explore this exciting city on your own or return to the basilicas for prayer and reflection. **(B)**

**ROME/DALLAS**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

With vivid memories of Lourdes and Italy, transfer to the airport and board your return flight back to the Dallas, arriving the same day. **(B)**



*St. Francis Basilica ~ Assisi*

*(B) ~ Breakfast*

*(D) ~ Dinner*



*Colosseum ~ Rome*



*Papal Audience ~ Rome*

# GENERAL CONDITIONS

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Passport fees, visa fees (if any), hotel tourist taxes (to be paid locally), phone calls, valet/laundry service, wines, liquors, mineral water, after dinner coffee or tea, tips to escort, guides, drivers and waiters, sightseeing and other services not specifically mentioned, excess baggage and all other items of a purely personal nature.

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**RESPONSIBILITY:** NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL SERVICE, INC. (NAWAS), and their agents act only in the capacity of agents in all matters pertaining to hotel accommodations, sightseeing tours and transportation, whether by railroad, motor bus, motor car, cruise vessel, boat, air or any other means. Except for the willful negligence of its direct employees, NAWAS is not liable for any damage, loss (including but not limited to personal injury, loss of enjoyment, distress, death and property loss), expense or inconvenience caused by any act or omission of any supplier providing tour services or by any other person or reason whatsoever or by any delays or changes in the itinerary, or the acts and omissions of the tour leader/host or travel agent. NAWAS assumes no liability or responsibility for any injuries, inconveniences, illness, irregularity or incidental damages occasioned by circumstances beyond the control of the tour operator, or by any person or reason whatsoever, including but not limited to events such as strikes, revolts, wars, terrorism, disease, natural disasters, closures of airports, hotels or included sites, default or omission of any common or private carrier. NAWAS reserves the right to cancel the tour at any time, to operate the tour with a substitute tour host/leader at any time, to decline or not retain any person as a member of the tour for any cause at any time. NAWAS reserves the right to make changes in the published itinerary if needed including deleting and adding cities and changing the sequence of the itinerary, or whenever in NAWAS' sole judgment as conditions warrant, or if NAWAS deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience or safety of the tour. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. The passage contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchasers of this tour and/or passengers. The services of any IATA/ARC air carrier may be used in connection with the tour.

**\*California Residents:** Please read the enclosed disclosure required by the Sellers of Travel Act before booking.

**Exclusive jurisdiction and venue for any and all disputes arising under, in connection with, or related to these General Conditions or the provision of services by NAWAS shall be in the state court sitting in Fairfield County, Connecticut, and you expressly agree not to challenge the jurisdiction or venue of such court or to assert that such court is not a convenient forum. All disputes arising under, in connection with, or related to these General Conditions or the provision of services by NAWAS shall be governed by the internal laws of the State of Connecticut, without regard to its conflicts of law provisions. Payment of deposits by tour participants indicates acceptance of the above terms and General Conditions. The venue for any dispute is Fairfield County, Connecticut. The laws of the state of Connecticut will apply.**

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## ◆ RESERVATION FORM ◆

Please read the all-inclusive tour features and conditions. Then complete this handy form. Book early!

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL**

**MAIL TO:**

Msgr. Joseph Bixenman  
4523 Ida Louise Court  
Amarillo, TX 79110  
Tel: (806) 681-1717  
Email: bixenmanjoe6@gmail.com

**ACCOMMODATIONS DESIRED:**

- double room sharing with \_\_\_\_\_  
 single room (\$795 extra per person)

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as  
Deposit (\$500 per person) for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s)

**Passenger #1**

Clearly print your full name (last/first/middle)  
as it appears on your passport:

Name: Last \_\_\_\_\_  
First \_\_\_\_\_  
Middle \_\_\_\_\_  
Gender: Please check  Male  Female

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Issued: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Expires: \_\_\_\_\_  
(day/month/year) (day/month/year)

Date of Birth:     
MONTH DAY YEAR

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of  
Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

**Passenger #2**

Clearly print your full name (last/first/middle)  
as it appears on your passport:

Name: Last \_\_\_\_\_  
First \_\_\_\_\_  
Middle \_\_\_\_\_  
Gender: Please check  Male  Female

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Passenger # 1

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
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**RESPONSIBILITY:** NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL SERVICE, INC. (NAWAS), and their agents act only in the capacity of agents in all matters pertaining to hotel accommodations, sightseeing tours and transportation, whether by railroad, motor bus, motor car, cruise vessel, boat, air or any other means. Except for the willful negligence of its direct employees, NAWAS is not liable for any damage, loss (including but not limited to personal injury, loss of enjoyment, distress, death and property loss), expense or inconvenience caused by any act or omission of any supplier providing tour services or by any other person or reason whatsoever or by any delays or changes in the itinerary, or the acts and omissions of the tour leader/host or travel agent. NAWAS assumes no liability or responsibility for any injuries, inconveniences, illness, irregularity or incidental damages occasioned by circumstances beyond the control of the tour operator, or by any person or reason whatsoever, including but not limited to events such as strikes, revolts, wars, terrorism, disease, natural disasters, closures of airports, hotels or included sites, default or omission of any common or private carrier. NAWAS reserves the right to cancel the tour at any time, to operate the tour with a substitute tour host/leader at any time, to decline or not retain any person as a member of the tour for any cause at any time. NAWAS reserves the right to make changes in the published itinerary if needed including deleting and adding cities and changing the sequence of the itinerary, or whenever in NAWAS' sole judgment as conditions warrant, or if NAWAS deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience or safety of the tour. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. The passage contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchasers of this tour and/or passengers. The services of any IATA/ARC air carrier may be used in connection with the tour.

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**Exclusive jurisdiction and venue for any and all disputes arising under, in connection with, or related to these General Conditions or the provision of services by NAWAS shall be in the state court sitting in Fairfield County, Connecticut, and you expressly agree not to challenge the jurisdiction or venue of such court or to assert that such court is not a convenient forum. All disputes arising under, in connection with, or related to these General Conditions or the provision of services by NAWAS shall be governed by the internal laws of the State of Connecticut, without regard to its conflicts of law provisions. Payment of deposits by tour participants indicates acceptance of the above terms and General Conditions. The venue for any dispute is Fairfield County, Connecticut. The laws of the state of Connecticut will apply.**

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