



Carmelite Pilgrimage to Spain and Portugal



In Commemoration of the Centenary of the Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima (1917-2017)

FATIMA – BATALHA – SANTAREM – SALAMANCA - ALBA DE TORMES – AVILA -
SEGOVIA – MADRID – TOLEDO – *and more*

with Father Eric Andersen
August 18-30, 2017

\$3,950 * *per person (ground and air from Portland**)*
or \$2,550 * *per person (ground only)*

*Included in Price:

- ◆ Lodging in first-class hotels including 3 nights in Fatima, 1 night in Salamanca, 5 nights in Avila, 2 nights in Madrid (2 pax per room)
- ◆ Flight from Portland* (including taxes/surcharges)
 - ◆ Continental breakfast, plus dinner daily
 - ◆ Chartered motor coach (as per itinerary)
- ◆ Daily Mass (in either Tridentine Latin or ordinary form), plus optional daily morning/evening/night Prayer and rosary
- ◆ Guide with spiritual reflections and prayer

NOT Included: one meal per day, drinks, tips/gratuity (estimate \$10/day), or optional travel insurance.

*Note that price is determined based on a minimum of 25 participants

**Contact us about originating in an airport other than Portland.



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AUGUST 18: PDX-Fatima

Depart PDX on overnight flight to Lisboa Airport.

AUGUST 19: LISBOA AIRPORT - FATIMA

Arrival at airport 10am: Private Transfer from airport to Fatima for sightseeing tour. Visits include (time permitting): Cathedral, St. Jerome's Monastery, Saint Anthony's Church, Belem Quarter and Tower, 25 April Bridge, and Discoveries Monument. Our drive will also take us through Rossio Square, Commerce Square and Marquee of Pombal Square. Dinner and overnight in Fatima.

AUGUST 20: FATIMA

Today we will visit Aljustrel, where the three shepherds were born. Next we continue to Valinhos for the Stations of the Cross and the site of Our Lady's fourth apparition and the place where the children received the first and the third visit of the "Angel of Peace." Next, we will go to the Parish Church. In the afternoon, we will have a walking tour of the Sanctuary: the Basilica housing the tombs of Lúcia, Bl. Francisco e Bl. Jacinta; the place where Our Lady appeared; the church of Holy Trinity. Dinner and overnight in Fatima.

AUGUST 21: FATIMA – BATALHA – SANTAREM – FATIMA

In the morning: Batalha Monastery (the Monastery of the Battle): a Dominican convent erected in commemoration of a 1385 battle that would serve as the burial church of Portuguese royals. It is one of the best and original examples of Late Gothic architecture in Portugal. In the afternoon depart for half day tour to Santarém known as the capital of the gothic. Visit the Eucharistic Shrine of the Holy Blood, which was once St. Stephen's Church and where the relic of the miracle of 1247 is kept. Dinner and overnight in Fatima.

AUGUST 22: FATIMA – SALAMANCA (4 hrs; 391 km)

After early breakfast in the hotel, we depart for the city of Salamanca. Here St. John of the Cross studied theology and was ordained a priest; also, St. Teresa founded the Carmelite Convent in 1570. For four centuries Salamanca was the seat of one of the most prestigious universities in the world. Other highlights: two cathedrals; Renaissance palaces; Plaza Mayor; the grand Plaza Mayor; the Baroque church of La Clerecía; the Casa de las Conchas (House of Shells). Dinner and overnight in Salamanca.

AUGUST 23: SALAMANCA-ALBA DE TORMES (30 mins; 24 km) — AVILA (1 hr; 73 km)

Next, we depart for Alba de Tormes. Here Saint Teresa died in 1582 and she is buried. In the museum of the Carmelite Convent of the Annunciation we will be able to see the incorrupt heart and left arm of the Saint. Continue to Avila for dinner and overnight.

AUGUST 24: AVILA

Here in Avila, the atmosphere has changed very little since the days of St. Teresa, the first woman to be named a Doctor of the Church. Visits include: the crypt of La Santa Convent, built on the site of the house where she was born; Encarnacion Convent, where St. Teresa became a nun and home to the most comprehensive museum dedicated to her life; the Cathedral and the Cuatro Postes (four columns). Dinner and overnight in Avila.

AUGUST 25: AVILA

After breakfast, we will begin a walking tour of Ávila, known for its heritage, history, culture, spirituality, and nature. Avila is also known as a World Heritage Site. Along the Teresian route, we will travel from the Gothic style to the Renaissance, from mannerism to Baroque through the life and works of our most universal saint. Dinner and overnight in Avila.

AUGUST 26: AVILA

Today will be free as a retreat day. Dinner and overnight in Avila.

AUGUST 27: AVILA -- SEGOVIA (1 hr; 88 km) -- AVILA

Today, we will take a day trip to Segovia, where Saint John of the Cross is buried. A relatively small city, as it is strategically situated on a rock ridge, it is deeply and haughtily Castilian. Famous for its squares and mansions from the Golden age when it was a royal resort and a base for the parliament. Visit: the Roman aqueduct; the cathedral; the Alcázar castle; Vera Cruz church; synagogue; and other Romanesque churches. Dinner and overnight in Avila.

AUGUST 28: AVILA – MADRID (1 hr/45; 110 km)

Today we leave Avila for Madrid, Spain's capital city. Madrid is renowned for its Royal Palaces, museums, and plazas. Sightseeing tour of the city includes: Cathedral of La Almudena and a visit to the Royal Palace or the Prado Museum. Dinner and overnight in Madrid.

AUGUST 29: MADRID – TOLEDO (30 mins; 33km) – MADRID

Today we will enjoy a day trip to the Imperial City of Toledo where Saint John of the Cross was imprisoned by the Inquisition. Toledo is a unique city as it sits on a rocky mound isolated on three sides by a looping gorge of the Tajo River and every inch of it has been built upon: churches, synagogues, mosques and houses. Toledo is famous as the City of the Three Religions because for many centuries the Christians, Moors and Jews lived together in relative equality and peace. The walled city contains numerous treasures including. Return to Madrid for dinner and overnight.

AUGUST 30: MADRID – TRANSFER TO THE AIRPORT.

Early morning departure to Madrid airport for return to Portland.

PILGRIMAGE REGISTRATION FORM

Carmelite Pilgrimage to the Spain and Portugal: August 18-30, 2017
\$3,950 per person (ground plus flight from Portland)
Or \$2,550 per person (ground only)

Please return with a deposit of \$500 per person to reserve your place (\$250 is non-refundable but transferable). Make check payable to **St. Francis Pilgrimages**. Include a copy of passport photo/signature page. Return completed form to:

St. Francis Pilgrimages
PO Box 143
Senoia, Georgia 30276

Name exactly as it appears on passport: _____

Passport expiration date: _____

N.B.: Your passport must be valid for three months after the itinerary ends (six months recommended); if you are not a US or Canadian citizen, you may need a travel visa to enter Europe.

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Name you wish for your name badge; e.g. Bret Thoman, OFS: _____

E-mail address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home tel: () _____ 2nd number: () _____

Emergency contact (name, telephone number): _____

My roommate will be: _____

(Single-occupancy rooms may be available for a \$690 supplement per person)

Your flight itinerary (if not on Portland group flight): _____

What do you expect from the pilgrimage? _____

Will you celebrate a special event (i.e. birthday or anniversary) during the pilgrimage? _____

How did you hear about this pilgrimage? _____

What parish do you attend? _____

Do you have special needs or concerns? _____

Do you have any health conditions or do you take any medications? If so, please list and describe:

If you have any health conditions, please see the Terms and Conditions on the next page of this form.

Upon receipt of your registration form, we will email you a detailed welcome letter explaining what to do and expect next in addition to information on trip insurance.

I have read and understand terms and conditions on reverse and on website.

Signature(s) _____ Date: _____

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Nature of Pilgrimage and Accommodations: St. Francis Pilgrimages, LLC organizes religious travel itineraries in the pilgrimage tradition, rather than typical tours. As such, there is time set aside for private prayer and spiritual teaching. Accommodations on this pilgrimage are in first class hotels or religious hotels of a good quality. All rooms have private bath. Given the religious nature of the pilgrimage, and that groups often overnight in religious hotels, participants are asked to adhere to the expectations as such.

Price: The published price per person includes ground transportation as per itinerary in chartered coach, lodging (at double-occupancy), daily continental breakfast, and daily dinner. The price does not include one meal per day (estimate \$10/day) tips (estimate \$10/day), recommended travel insurance, personal expenses, or anything not expressly stated on the itinerary. If you register without a roommate, and we are unable to provide one, you may be required to pay the single-room supplement. The price is based on a minimum of 15 paying participants.

Payment Information: A deposit of \$500 is required to secure a reservation (\$250 is non-refundable but transferrable). Payments are due as follows: \$1,500 is due 120 days prior to departure, and the remainder is due 90 days prior to departure. Payment can be made by personal check, money order, or through Paypal for an additional \$150 fee. Trip prices and costs are listed in US dollars (usd). Cancellations: If you cancel more than 120 days before departure, all payments will be refunded except \$250 of your deposit (which is transferrable). If the cancellation is made between 120 days and 90 days of departure, all payments will be refunded minus the full deposit amount (\$500). If you cancel within 90 days of departure, we will attempt to recover what has been paid to suppliers, but cannot guarantee any reimbursements. Once issued, airline tickets are usually non-refundable, and refunds would be determined by the specific airline. Note that St. Francis Pilgrimages will only cancel a pilgrimage if there are insufficient registrations; if a pilgrimage is cancelled by St. Francis Pilgrimages, all payments will be refunded. However, if a participant cancels individually before St. Francis Pilgrimages officially cancels, refunds for that person will be based on the above criteria. We strongly recommend trip insurance.

Health: Participants often comment that the pilgrimage is strenuous, as it involves a lot of walking and stair climbing. If a participant has any health conditions (including psychological/mental), we require full disclosure to St. Francis Pilgrimages, LLC. Any participant who has serious health conditions, must inform his/her doctor of their intention to participate in the pilgrimage and submit a letter from his/her medical doctor stating that he/she is capable of fully participating in the pilgrimage without assistance. If such health conditions require extra assistance, a pilgrim must be accompanied by such an assistant. St. Francis Pilgrimages, LLC and suppliers contracted for services reserve the right to refuse to accept or retain any person whose behavior or health conditions are deemed likely to affect the smooth operations of the tour, or adversely affect the enjoyment or safety of other passengers. St. Francis Pilgrimages, LLC, its agents, and suppliers shall be under no liability to any such person for refund, compensation, repatriation or any other matters arising thereof.

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