

LUMINARIES OF HOLY MARY

Fatima Pilgrimage

with Fr. Charles Smith and Fr. Andrew Fisher

ITINERARY

DAY 1 - SUNDAY - July 20
DEPART U.S.A.

Board overnight flights to Lisbon, Portugal.

DAY 2 - MONDAY - July 21
ARRIVE LISBON - FATIMA

Arrive in Lisbon and board motor coach to Fatima. Arrival at Hotel St. Nuno for check-in and lunch. Holy Mass at the Capelinha, also known as the Chapel of the Apparitions, where Our Lady appeared in 1917. We will visit the Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary and pray at the tombs of Saints Jacinta and Francisco and Venerable Lucia. We will tour the Museum of Light where we will see the crown with the bullet that struck John Paul II on May 13, 1981. Dinner at the Hotel.

DAY 3 - TUESDAY - July 22
FATIMA

After breakfast, we begin our day celebrating Holy Mass at the Carmel of St. Joseph. We will visit the hamlet of Aljustrel, where the children lived and the area of Loco do Cabeco, where the Angel appeared twice, the Valinhos, the site of Our Lady's appearance after the children's return from prison, walk and follow the Hungarian Stations of the Cross along the Via Sacra (The Sacred Way) culminating in the Chapel of Calvary, which overlooks all of Fatima. After lunch, we will visit the tomb and museum of Servant of God Fr. Formigao, a priest who dedicated his life to Our Lady of Fatima. Enjoy dinner at the hotel and hear a talk by Sr. Angela, ASM, former Postulator of Saints Francisco and Jacinta, and current Vice Postulator for Venerable Sr. Lucia.



**July 20 to
Aug. 1,
2025**

DAY 4 - WEDNESDAY - July 23
COIMBRA - FATIMA

We will drive to Coimbra, a beautiful riverfront city and home of one Europe's oldest universities. We will attend Holy Mass in the monastery of St. Teresa, home to Venerable Sr. Lucia for the last 57 years of her life, and tour her museum to see her personal memorabilia. We will visit St. Anthony Church of the Olive Groves where St. Anthony was invested with the Franciscan habit. We will then visit the beautiful Monastery of the Holy Cross and pray before the relics of the five Franciscan martyrs of Morocco. We will also visit the Monastery of Santa Clara, where above the main altar is the tomb of St. Elizabeth of Portugal. Enjoy dinner with the Sisters of the Alianca de Santa Maria, the fastest growing order of women religious in Portugal. Their charism is to learn, live and spread the messages of Fatima.



DAY 5 - THURSDAY - July 24**OUREM - FATIMA**

Our day begins with Holy Mass at the Capelinha and then a visit to St. Anthony's, the parish church of the Little Shepherds. After we will visit the cloistered Dominican Nuns of the Perpetual Rosary. We will then go to Ourem and visit the castle of Saint Nuno, a precursor of Our Lady of Fatima and Portugal's greatest general. Travel back down the mountain and visit the Chapel of Our Lady of Ortiga, where Our Lady appeared to a mute little shepherd girl in the 1400s. Then we will go to the Postulator's Office and Museum and learn about the lives of the little shepherds from Sr. Angela. We will have dinner at Tia Alice, one of the finest restaurants in Fatima.

DAY 6 - FRIDAY - July 25**SANTAREM - LISBON - FATIMA**

Drive to Santarem where we will celebrate Holy Mass at St. Stephen's Church, site of the 1247 Eucharistic Miracle, and venerate the Bleeding Host. Then we will drive to the Poor Clare Convent in Lisbon to view the room and chapel where St. Jacinta stayed in January of 1920, and where Our Lady made private appearances to her. We will have lunch in the Estrela Garden, one of the loveliest in Lisbon. We will then tour the Royal Basilica of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Royal Basilica is the first Basilica dedicated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. We will continue onto Estafani Hospital, where St. Jacinta died. Dinner in Fatima.

DAY 7 - SATURDAY - July 26**BALAZAR - BRAGA**

Drive to Balazar and visit the home of Blessed Alexandrina da Costa, a holy woman who lived the Fatima Messages to perfection. We will visit her tomb at the parish church and the Little Chapel of the Miracle of the Cross. Then we will proceed onto Braga, the oldest city in Portugal and the spiritual heart of the country. After checking into the hotel, we will travel to the top of the mountain of Samiero and pray the rosary at the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Sameiro. Mass in the mountainside convent of the Holy Cross, where we will learn more about the importance of the holy angels. Overnight in Braga.

DAY 8 - SUNDAY - July 27**GUIMARAES - BRAGA**

We will begin our day with Holy Mass at the Basilica of Bom Jesus do Monte and see the magnificent life size statues of Our Lord's Passion, also known as the Sacred Way. Then we will drive to the historic town of Guimarães, the birthplace of Portugal, and visit the Church of the Olive Tree, one the oldest churches in Portugal. Dinner and talk at the hotel with Sr. Marie Alice, ASM, one of the sisters who led the National Rosary Crusade in 1975 that saved Portugal from Communism. Overnight in Braga.

DAY 9 - MONDAY - July 28**TUY - COMPOSTELA**

Drive to Tuy, Spain and visit the convent chapel where the Apparition of the Most Holy Trinity occurred in 1929, the last of the Fatima Apparitions. We will then drive to the Santiago de Compostela Cathedral to tour the magnificent Cathedral and venerate the tomb of St. James the Greater, the first martyred apostle. We will attend the Pilgrim Holy Mass that evening and watch the famous botafumeiro swing high above the altar. Lunch, dinner and overnight will be in a hotel adjacent to the Cathedral. Time for prayer and shopping.

DAY 10 - TUESDAY - July 29**PONTEVEDRA - FATIMA**

After an early Mass, we will drive to Pontevedra, Spain and visit the Dorothean Convent where Venerable Sr. Lucia received the apparition for the First Saturday Devotion from Our Lord and Our Mother Mary in 1925. We will have lunch at truly authentic Portuguese restaurant, the Manjar do Marques in Pombal, followed by a short drive back to Fatima.

DAY 11 - WEDNESDAY - July 30**OBIDOS - ALCOBACA**

A morning rosary at the tombs of the Little Shepherds. We will then visit Obidos and have Holy Mass at Santa Maria. After lunch we will drive to Alcobaca and tour the majestic Cistercian gothic monastery founded in the 12th century by St. Bernard of Clairvaux. Dinner at the hotel after which we will participate in the International Rosary.

DAY 12 - THURSDAY - July 31**BATALHA - NAZARE - FATIMA**

Holy Mass at the Capelinha then drive to the Dominican Monastery of Batalha built in honor of Our Lady. Lunch will be in the seaside town of Nazare where we will visit the Church of Our Lady of Nazare. This church is home to a statue of Our Lady and the Christ Child. Tradition holds that this statue was carved by St. Joseph and painted by St. Luke. Farewell dinner.

DAY 13 - FRIDAY - August 1**DEPART FOR U.S.A.**



PILGRIMAGE COST

\$2,200* PER PERSON BASED ON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY.
FOR SINGLE OCCUPANCY ADD \$500.

This price includes:

- Accommodations in tourist class hotels
- All hotel taxes and service charges
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily
- Arrival and departure transfers
- Land travel by motor coach
- Entrance fees as per itinerary
- All gratuities to the guides, drivers and hotel/restaurant staff
- Stipends/donations to the speakers and churches

Airfare is not included.

* Prices are based on best estimates. Possibility of a slight increase or decrease based on price fluctuations beyond our control.

GENERAL INFORMATION & CONDITIONS

Reservations and Payment: To reserve your spot, please send a \$500 non-refundable deposit to Luminaries of Holy Mary c/o Mary Sample, 3022 Ingelow Lane, Charlotte, NC 28226 and include your e-mail address and parish. Final payment of \$1,700 due by May 1, 2025, and if requesting a single room add \$500. Reservations will be granted in the order in which deposit is received. Space is limited, so register ASAP as we expect the pilgrimage to fill quickly.

Travel Documents: A passport with a minimum of 3 months validity remaining is required of all U.S. citizens. Also, U.S. citizens will need an ETIAS. This is new starting in 2025 and can be applied for online. See the details at https://travel-europe.europa.eu/etias_en

Pilgrimage Costs: All quoted prices are based on fees and currency exchange rates at the time of printing and are subject to change at any time. Costs not included are airfare, personal travel insurance (optional but highly encouraged), beverages and items not on the regular menu of the included meals, and all expenses of a purely personal nature.

Air Travel: All pilgrims will be responsible for the cost and booking of their own air travel. This will enable those who have frequent flyer miles, or who wish to pay by credit card to obtain points to do so. Airport transfers while in Portugal will be provided if you schedule arrival in Lisbon, PT (LIS) before 10:45 am on July 21 and departure after 11:00 am on August 1. All pilgrims must be in Fatima by 2:30 pm on July 21.

OTHER: The itinerary is subject to change.



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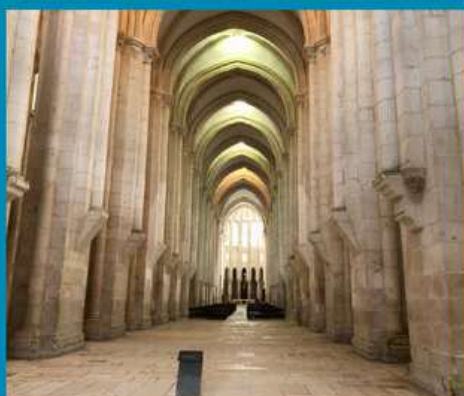
Father Charles Smith

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Father Andrew Fisher

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