A Spiritual Journey

Join Fr. Tim Kenney, SM

and friends of the Marianist Mission

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April 5 - 15, 2027

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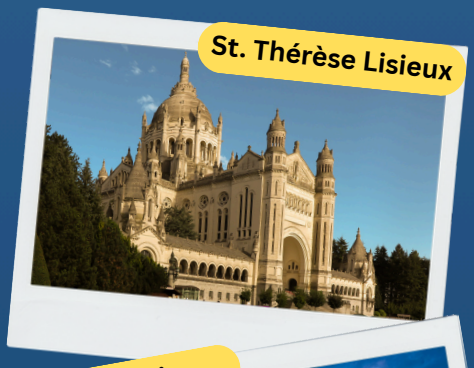

- 2-night stay in luxury Paris hotel
- 7-night cruise on Seine River
- Daily Mass with Fr. Tim
- English speaking tour guides
- Sightseeing & admission fees
- Land transportation on a/c motorcoach
- All taxes & gratuities
- Port & fuel charges
- Category A & B cabins*
- 170 sq ft cabin with french balcony
- All gourmet meals onboard, 3x daily
- Wine, beer, soft drinks, at lunch & dinner

Package Price: $6,698/person

(double occupancy)

$1,000 non-refundable deposit pp

**Limited Availability - Cabins are Assigned in the Order Reservations are Received*

To reserve a cabin or for any questions call Kathy Cooper:
314.338.7216

Pilgrimage Itinerary

Day 1- 4: USA / Paris

- Opening welcome dinner
- Private sightseeing tour of France's magnificent capital with a local guide
- Prayer and reflection at Sainte Chapelle, renowned for breathtaking biblical stained glass
- Mass celebrated at the newly renovated Notre-Dame
- Free time to explore and relax
- Private motorcoach excursion to the magnificent Palace and Gardens of Versailles.

Day 4 - 11: Paris / Seine River Cruise

- Visit Les Andelys known for its imposing castle Chateau Gaillard, built by Richard the Lionheart in 1196.

- During your time in Le Havre, visit the seaside town of Honfleur, renowned for its picturesque harbor, and for being an inspirational site for Impressionist painters; Visit historic Le Havre and its UNESCO-listed streets.

- Experience the Normandy region with a variety of excursions. Choose the American sector or tour the British and Canadian sectors, each with its own powerful stories of heroism and sacrifice. You may also choose a full day excursion to the Pays d'Auge region; or journey back in time at the Seine Museum. Each excursion offers a unique opportunity to experience the history, culture, and beauty of Normandy.

- Travel on a private excursion to Lisieux, the beloved hometown of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus. Celebrate Mass in her magnificent basilica, the second most visited pilgrimage destination in France, after Lourdes. Known around the world as "The Little Flower," St. Thérèse spent most of her 24 years in Lisieux, where her simple yet profound spirituality continues to inspire millions. Visit the historic city of Rouen for a self-guided visit to the Rouen Cathedral, once the tallest building in the world (1876–1880). Continue to the Old Marketplace, where a striking monument marks the site of the martyrdom of St. Joan of Arc, who was executed here at just 19 years of age.

- Enjoy scenic cruising around Vernon, where you will have 4 excursions to choose from, depending on your interests. Visit Claude Monet's home and gardens in Giverny. Wander around his gardens and homes where he lived for four decades. Or enjoy a guided tour of the 18th-century Chateau de Bizy, inspired by the opulence of Versailles.

- Travel to Auberge Ravoux in the heart of Auvers-sur-Oise, the last home of Vincent van Gogh; or enjoy the exquisite architecture of the Chateau de Malmaison, the former home of Napoleon and Josephine Bonaparte; or stay in Paris and explore the city on a guided bike tour. Drift along the Seine on a riverboat, taking in the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, and Musée d'Orsay, as the city's bridges and monuments unfold in timeless harmony.

for more information on AmaWaterways, itinerary, and amenities offered
https://www.amawaterways.com/river-cruises/europe/seine/paris-normandy

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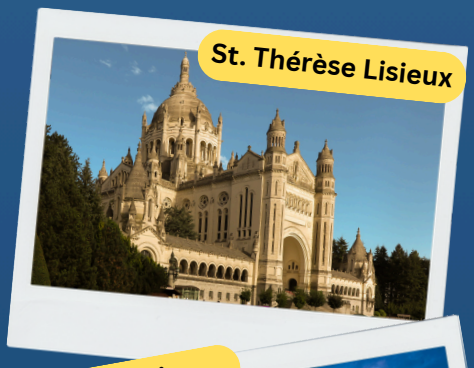

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DAY 1, Monday, April 5 – En Route
Depart your home airport for Paris. Meals will be served on board.

DAY 2, Tuesday, April 6 – Paris (*Dinner*)
Welcome to Paris, the "City of Light!" After collecting your luggage, make your way to our hotel for check-in and the beginning of our pilgrimage together. Once everyone has arrived, we will gather for a short panoramic sightseeing tour of France's magnificent capital, taking in some of Paris' most iconic landmarks. Following the tour, we will return to the hotel to relax and refresh before gathering for our Opening Mass, followed by a welcome dinner — the perfect beginning to our pilgrimage together.

DAY 3, Wednesday, April 7 – Paris (*Breakfast*)
Following breakfast, we will depart our hotel for Sainte-Chapelle, a Gothic masterpiece renowned for its breathtaking biblical stained glass, beautifully depicted across 1,113 brilliant panels. Leisurely stroll along the historic street towards Notre-Dame, perhaps pausing at a local café for a fresh pastry or artisanal coffee. Our path then leads to Notre-Dame, one of the world's most cherished cathedrals. Beautifully restored following the devastating fire of 2019, Notre-Dame once again welcomes visitors and pilgrims alike to experience its majestic Gothic architecture, inspiring rose windows, and serene atmosphere. Here, we will gather to celebrate Mass, joining the countless generations who have sought God's grace within these sacred walls. Enjoy a self-guided tour and time for lunch on your own. Return to the hotel for a free afternoon and evening to explore and relax.

DAY 4, Thursday, April 8 – Paris/Embark Ship (*Breakfast, Dinner*)

After celebrating Mass in the morning and checking out of our hotel, we will travel by private motorcoach to the magnificent Palace of Versailles, the former royal residence of King Louis XIV. Enjoy a guided visit of the lavish State Apartments and the iconic Hall of Mirrors, followed by time to admire the palace's stunning gardens. This unforgettable experience offers a glimpse into the elegance, history, and splendor of France's royal past. Following lunch on your own, we will transfer to our ship and begin our seven-night Seine River cruise. Once aboard, celebrate the start of our journey with a Captain's Champagne Reception, followed by a delightful dinner on board.

DAY 5, Friday, April 9 – Les Andelys (*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*)

After celebrating Mass aboard the ship, choose from four enriching excursions. Discover the medieval Château Gaillard and the charming riverside town of Les Andelys. Perched high above the Seine, Château Gaillard was built in 1198 by Richard the Lionheart and stands as a remarkable testament to medieval military architecture. Those seeking a more active adventure may hike to the castle ruins for breathtaking views of the valley or enjoy a guided bicycle ride through the picturesque streets of Les Andelys. If you prefer a more leisurely pace, remain aboard the ship and relax as you take in the beautiful scenery while cruising along the Seine.

DAY 6, Saturday, April 10 – Le Havre (*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*)

Following morning Mass aboard the ship, choose from a variety of memorable excursions. Explore the picturesque harbor town of Honfleur, whose charming streets and waterfront inspired many of the Impressionist masters. Discover the UNESCO World Heritage city of Le Havre, renowned for its striking post-war architecture, elegant boulevards, and sweeping coastal views. For a more active experience, join a guided bicycle tour through Le Havre and enjoy its unique blend of history, culture, and seaside beauty at a leisurely pace.

DAY 7, Sunday, April 11 – Le Havre/Normandy (*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*)

Following morning Mass aboard the ship, choose from four unforgettable excursions.

Remember D-Day with a full-day excursion to the American Sector, visiting the historic Omaha and Utah Beaches, where Allied forces courageously landed on June 6, 1944. We will remember those who gave their lives in the cause of freedom and honor the courage, sacrifice, and enduring legacy of all who served.

Explore the British and Canadian Sectors, touring the renowned Gold, Juno, and Sword Beaches, each with its own powerful stories of heroism and sacrifice.

Discover the picturesque Pays d'Auge region of Normandy, celebrated for its rolling countryside, charming villages, and its famous apple cider, Calvados, and pommeau.

Journey back in time at the Seine Museum, where interactive exhibits and historic vessels bring the rich maritime heritage of the Seine River to life.

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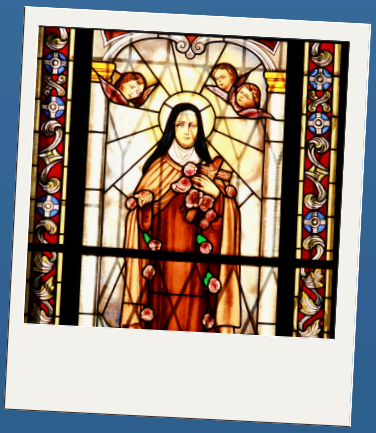

DAY 8, Monday, April 12 – Lisieux/Rouen (*Breakfast, Dinner*)
Enjoy a custom, private excursion to the charming town of Lisieux, home to the magnificent Basilica of Sainte Thérèse, the second most visited pilgrimage site in France, after Lourdes. Known around the world as "The Little Flower," St. Thérèse spent most of her 24 years in Lisieux, where her simple yet profound spirituality continues to inspire millions. We will celebrate Mass in this beautiful basilica before enjoying free time for lunch on your own. This afternoon, travel to the historic city of Rouen for a self-guided visit to the Rouen Cathedral, once the tallest building in the world (1876–1880). Continue to the Old Marketplace, where a striking monument marks the site of the martyrdom of St. Joan of Arc, who was executed here at just 19 years of age. Return to the ship this evening to enjoy dinner with your fellow pilgrims.

DAY 9, Tuesday, April 13 – Vernon (*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*)
Following morning Mass, choose from four unforgettable excursions. Enjoy a scenic cruise along the Seine, stroll through Claude Monet's enchanting home and gardens in Giverny, tour the elegant Château de Bizy, often called the "Versailles of Normandy," or experience the picturesque countryside on a guided bicycle tour of Giverny. Each option offers a unique opportunity to discover the beauty, history, and charm of the French countryside.

DAY 10, Wednesday, April 14 – Paris (*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*)
After celebrating our final Mass together, you may choose from several memorable optional excursions. Travel to Auvers-sur-Oise to visit Auberge Ravoux, the final home of renowned artist Vincent van Gogh, or explore the elegant Château de Malmaison, the former residence of Napoleon and Joséphine Bonaparte. If you prefer, remain in Paris and discover the City of Light on a guided bicycle tour. Later in the day, experience Paris from a unique perspective as you board a modern river boat at Port de la Bourdonnais, near the Eiffel Tower. Relax as you cruise along the Seine, passing beneath the city's ornate bridges while enjoying panoramic views of iconic landmarks, including the Musée d'Orsay and the magnificent Notre-Dame Cathedral.

This evening, gather with your fellow pilgrims for the Captain's Farewell champagne reception and a festive farewell dinner, celebrating the memories and friendships made throughout your pilgrimage.

DAY 11, Thursday, April 15 – Disembark Ship (*Breakfast*)
After breakfast, begin your journey home with memories to last a lifetime. Airport transfer is included from the ship.

Marianist Mission
PROVINCE OF THE UNITED STATES

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE

April 5–15, 2027 | Registration Form

Please complete one form per person. Names must match your passport exactly.

1. Pilgrim Information

- Full Name (as it appears on Passport):

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- Preferred Name for Name Tag Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY):

  _____ _____ / _____ / _____

- Gender: [ ] M [ ] F Phone Number: _____

- Mailing Address:

  _____

- City/State/Zip:

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- Email: _____

2. Passport Details * *Note: Passports must be valid for at least 6 months past our return date (Valid through October 15, 2027).*

Passport Number: _____

3. Roommate & Accommodations * *Pricing is based on double occupancy. Cabin categories are A & B and are assigned as reservations are received. If traveling alone, please indicate your preference below.*

- [ ] I am sharing a cabin/room with:

  _____

- [ ] I am traveling alone and request to be paired with a roommate (if available).

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4. **Mandatory Travel Insurance & Deposit Acknowledgment**
Please read and initial each point below:

- [ ] _____ (Initial) I understand that the initial $1,000 deposit is completely non-refundable after 7 days.

- [ ] _____ (Initial) I acknowledge that travel insurance is required for participation in this pilgrimage. I agree to purchase an independent policy and provide proof of coverage to the Marianist Mission by final payment.

5. Deposit Payment Method ($1,000 per person, non-refundable after 7 days.)

- Credit Card: Please charge $1,000 to the card below:

  Card Type: [ ] Visa [ ] MasterCard [ ] Amex [ ] Discover

  Card Number: _____

  Expiration Date: _____ / _____ Security Code (CVV): _____

  Billing Zip Code: _____

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions which apply to this tour, especially noting the cancellation and responsibility clauses.

I certify that I am physically able to participate in this pilgrimage. I understand I am responsible for obtaining any necessary medical advice before departure. In the event of a medical emergency, I authorize emergency medical treatment as deemed necessary. I understand that all medical expenses are my responsibility.

Pilgrim Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return this completed form and deposit to
kcooper@sm-usa.org 314.338.7216

Step-by-Step Registration Process

Due to our strictly limited allotment of double-occupancy cabins, cabins are assigned on a strict **first-come, first-served basis**.

- Read all information carefully and ask questions if needed. Deposits are non-refundable after 7 days.
- Call to reserve your cabin with Kathy Cooper. 314.338.7216
- She will assign cabin numbers as reservations are received. We have A & B category rooms and all are the same size. They will be located on different decks of the ship.
- Have your credit card ready to secure your reservation with your deposit. ($1,000 non-refundable deposit after 7 days)
- Kathy will process the credit card information through the Marianist Mission.
- Please fill out the registration form and return it to Kathy Cooper. You may email it to her at **kcooper@sm-usa.org** and *once she receives that* she will email you a confirmation letter, your cabin number on the ship, and a more detailed itinerary.
- Do not book airfare until you receive confirmation from Kathy. You may use AmaWaterways to book airline tickets or your own personal travel agent.

Mandatory Travel Insurance Requirement
Because your $1,000 deposit is completely non-refundable after 7 days and processed through our group charter contract, travel insurance is strictly required for all participants.

- **How to Purchase**: Since you are not registering directly with AmaWaterways, you must purchase your policy independently through any reputable provider (such as Allianz, Travel Guard, or Travelex).
- **Important Timing**: To cover any pre-existing medical conditions, most insurance companies require you to purchase your policy within 14 days of your initial deposit.
- **Verification:** You must submit proof of your insurance policy to the Marianist Mission by the final payment date below.

Airline & Flight Information (Land & Cruise Only)
You are responsible for booking your own transatlantic flights to match our group schedule:

- **Departure**: Depart the US on Monday, April 5, 2027.
- **Arrival Airport**: Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG) in Paris, France.
- **Arrival Timing**: Your flight should arrive on Tuesday, April 6, 2027, ideally before 12 pm.
- **Return Flight**: Depart Paris (CDG) on Thursday, April 15, 2027. Transportation will be provided directly from the AmaLyra ship to the airport.

Payment Schedule

- Initial deposit due upon reservation
- 30% of the total cost due October 1, 2026
- 30% of the total cost due December 1, 2026
- Final payment is due January 5, 2027

Please note 60/90 days prior to the sailing date, AmaWaterways will send out a guest information form and you will select your daily excursions at that time.

REGISTRATION AND DEPOSITS: A deposit of $1,000 per person is required at the time of registration. The registration form should be emailed to kcooper@sm-usa.org. Upon receipt of the registration form, you will be sent a confirmation, cabin assignment, and detailed itinerary. Please see the Payment schedule below. **FINAL PAYMENT** is due January 5, 2027.

CANCELLATION TERMS:

Prior to 12/1/26	$500
From 12/2/26 - 1/5/27	$1,000
1/6/27- 2/28/27	$2,000
3/1/27 onward	No Refund

Note: Comprehensive travel insurance is required to cover trip cancellation and interruption, baggage protection, medical, accidental death & dismemberment, emergency evacuation and repatriation. Pilgrims are responsible for obtaining their own coverage. Verification must be submitted by final payment.

PASSPORT/VISA REQUIREMENTS: A valid US passport is required for all tour members. US citizens do not require visas for travel to France. **ALL passports must be valid for at least 6 months after the return date of the tour.**

TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE: Passport and travel insurance. All items of a personal nature, beverages and meals not included in the tour. Optional excursions offered by AmaWaterways, and excess baggage charges. There is no refund for unused land arrangements or any cost incurred through absence or deviation from the stated itinerary for any reason, including illness.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY: Participants understand that this pilgrimage may include extensive walking, uneven surfaces, stairs, cobblestone streets, and periods of standing. Participants should be able to manage these activities independently unless traveling with a companion who can provide assistance.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY: In consideration of being permitted to participate, I release and hold harmless The Marianist Province/Marianist Mission, its officers, directors, employees, volunteers, clergy, and representatives from any and all claims, demands, damages, losses, or causes of action arising out of my participation in this pilgrimage, except where prohibited by law or resulting from gross negligence or willful misconduct.

RESPONSIBILITY: The MARIANIST MISSION , a 501(C)(3) non-profit operated under the Marianist Province of the United States. The Marianist Mission serves solely as the organizer and coordinator of this pilgrimage. Transportation, accommodations, sightseeing, cruise services, meals, and other travel arrangements are provided by independent third-party suppliers. The Marianist Province/Marianist Mission does not own, operate, or control these suppliers and is not responsible for their acts, omissions, negligence, or failure to provide contracted services. They are not liable for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned either by reason of defect of any vehicle conveying the passenger or through the act of default or any company or persons engaged in carrying out the arrangements of the tour, or otherwise in connection therewith, or of any hotel, or employee. The Marianist Province/Marianist Mission and their agents can accept no responsibility for losses or accidental expenses due to delay or changes in schedules, defaults or overbookings by hotels, sickness, weather, strike, war, acts of terrorism or other causes. All such losses or expenses will have to be borne by the passenger. Baggage is at "owner's risk" throughout the tour unless insured. The Marianist Province/Marianist Mission reserve the right to withdraw the tour, or any part of it, to make such alternations in the itinerary as they deem necessary or desirable. The Marianist Province/Marianist Mission have no special knowledge or information regarding any supplier insolvency, unsafe conditions, terrorist or social unrest, health hazards, or weather hazards, other than what has appeared in the public media. For information about possible dangers at your destination, please call the Travel Advisory Section of the State Department at (202) 647-5225. For medical information contact the CDC at (877) 394-8747.

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Thank you for your interest in joining our faith community. Because this is a specially customized private group journey, all registrations and payments must be processed directly through the Marianists, rather than the cruise line.

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