PRINCE & PEACE

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Masses

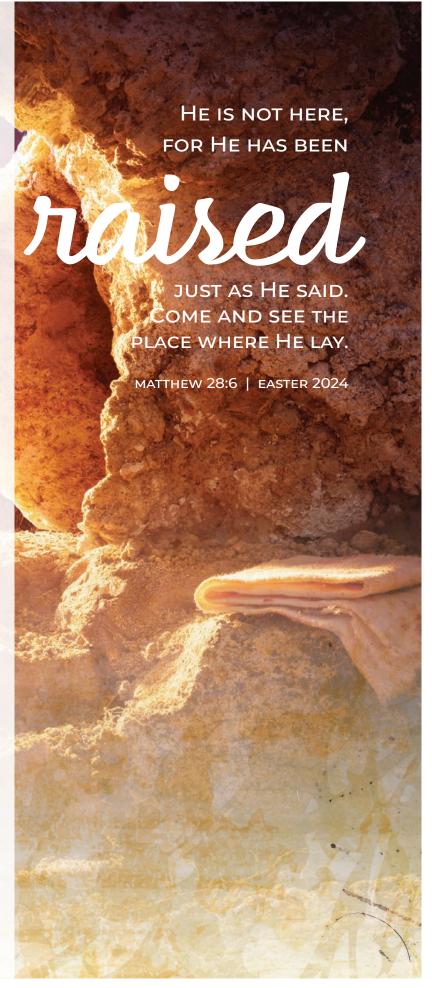
Saturday 5:00 P.M.

Sunday 9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. Livestreamed

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 A.M.

Reconciliation Every Saturday at 3:30 P.M.

Register in the Parish Welcome! To join the parish, please contact our office at pop.office@popparish.org.



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MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

Fred Flach †

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

Chester Sabisky Mass Intention

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

Dolores Sabisky †

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

Chester Sabisky †

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

Rosa Ortiz †

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

9:00 a.m. James Corrigan † 11:00 a.m. For the Parishioners

† denotes deceased

*In order to keep with Canon Law, as of March 13, 2019, there will be only one Mass Intention offered per Mass. Mass Intentions for the repose of the soul and Special Intentions can be made at least two weeks before the requested day. The Parish Office will not be able to schedule Mass Intentions on the same week of the requested day. Thank you for understanding.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS THIS WEEK: APRIL 7-14, 2024

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

9:00 a.m. Mass

9:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word

10:15-10:45 a.m. Combined Rehearsal

11:00 a.m. Mass

1:00 p.m. Baptism Parent Session Virtual 3:00 p.m. Eucharist Holy Hour for Divine Mercy

MONDAY, APRIL 8

No Daily Mass

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

9:00-10:15 a.m. Daily Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

9:00-10:15 a.m. Daily Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary

10:00-11:30 a.m. Food Pantry Open 6:00-7:00 p.m. Instrumental Rehearsal 7:15-9:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

9:00-10:15 a.m. Daily Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary

6:00-8:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Council Meeting

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

9:00-10:15 a.m. Daily Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary

6:30-8:30 p.m. Family Faith

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

7:00-9:00 a.m. COR Men's Breakfast

3:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5:00 p.m. Mass

6:00-8:00 p.m. Office of Cemetery and Funeral Services Presentation

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

9:00 a.m. Mass

9:00-10:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word

10:00-11:00 a.m. Office of Cemetery and Funeral Services Presentation

10:15-10:45 a.m. Combined Rehearsal

11:00 a.m. Mass

12:00-2:00 p.m. Office of Cemetery and Funeral Services Presentation

12:30-2:30 p.m. Module 3 (First Eucharist)

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE QUOTE FOR MEDITATION

April 7, 2024: Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)
John 11:16 "Let us also go, that we may die with Him."

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

April 14, 2024: Third Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 2nd Reading: 1 John 2:1-5a Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER by Saint Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

ASSISTIVE HEARING DEVICES

With our new sound system in place, we are once again offering assistive hearing devices for use during Mass. While we recommend you bring your own earbuds, we do have headsets you may borrow. Please see an usher if you wish to use one.

OCFS FUNERAL PRESENTATION

Community Outreach Staff from the Office of Cemetery and Funeral Services (OCFS), a Ministry of the Diocese of Richmond will be here on April 13th and 14th after all Masses to inform and discuss the spiritual and practical reasons for learning about Catholic funeral planning and the Order of Christian Funeral Rites, practices and traditions.

There will be a short presentation along with a question-and-answer session in the hall. Please take advantage of this opportunity to better understand the importance of Catholic funeral rites and the benefits to preplanning your funeral arrangements. Food and Refreshments will be served during the presentations.

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY APRIL 7, 2024

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

As we pray for peace and an end to violence throughout the world, we as a parish community will pray the Prayer to St. Michael after Mass. The prayer will be prayed after the Final Blessing and before the Recessional.

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

MASS COUNTS FOR LAST WEEKEND

Holy Thursday, 7:00 p.m.	283
Good Friday Stations, Noon	75
Good Friday Passion, 7:00 p.m.	261
Holy Saturday, 8:00 p.m.	241
Sunday, 9:00 a.m.	669
Sunday, 11:00 a.m.	546

WE REJOICE!

Prince of Peace Parish joyfully welcomes **Zaily Ortiz,** who was fully initiated into the Roman Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.

Prince of Peace Parish joyfully congratulates **John Hood** and **Nina Valois**, who made a Profession of Faith into Full Communion into the Roman Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.

Prince of Peace Parish also joyfully congratulates **Janelle Rios** and **Jenesis Rios**, who celebrated the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation during the Easter Triduum

We thank their families, sponsors, catechists, and RCIA/RCIC Team members for journeying with them to the Easter Sacraments. May God continue to bless them abundantly!

ORATIO IMPERATA:

God Our Father, we come to You in our need to ask Your protection against the 2019 N-Coronavirus that has claimed lives and has affected many. We pray for Your grace for the people tasked with studying the nature and cause of this virus and its disease and of stemming the tide of its transmission. Guide the hands and minds of medical experts that they may minister to the sick with competence and compassion, and of those governments and private agencies that must find cure and solution to this epidemic. We pray for those afflicted; may they be restored to health soon. Grant us the grace to work for the good of all and to help those in need. Grant this through Our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Baptismal Preparation – In preparation to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism with an infant, the parents are asked to attend a Baptismal Preparation Session at Prince of Peace. Sessions are being held by Zoom. The sessions will begin at 1:00 p.m. and last 45 minutes to an hour. The next sessions scheduled at Prince of Peace: Sunday, April 7, 2024, Sunday, April 28, 2024 and Sunday, June 9, 2024. Parents are asked to register for the sessions by visiting our parish website at popparish.org. Go to the Sacrament tab and scroll down to Baptisms. Anyone with questions, please contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office.

ADULT CONFIRMATION: For any adult Catholic who has never been confirmed, sessions are held throughout the year. For more information, please call Sister Dolores at the Parish Office or email her at Sister.Dolores@popparish.org.

RCIA: Thinking of joining the Catholic Church??? Prince of Peace parish community offers "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" (RCIA) process for those adults seeking to learn more about and join the Catholic Christian Faith. RCIA is for those who are not yet baptized and also for Christians of other denominations who choose to seek full Communion with the Catholic Church. If you are interested or know someone who might be interested in learning more about the RCIA journey, please contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office at 757-547-0356, or email Sister.Dolores@popparish.org.

2023 TAX STATEMENTS

The Prince of Peace 2023 Year contribution statements are now available in your My Giving/My Own Church account. If you do not have access to a computer, to help offset costs, you may drop off your self-addressed stamped envelope and place it in the box in the Commons during Mass or office hours. Alternatively, we are able to email a copy upon request. Call or email the office. If you encounter any issues with your contributions statement, please contact the bookkeeper during business hours. If you have any issues with your ParishSoft account setup or have any questions, please contact the Parish Office at 757-547-0356 or pop.office@popparish.org.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

PoP Capital Improvement April 20/21, 2024
Diocesan Home Missions May 12, 2024
PoP Capital Improvement May 18/19, 2024
PoP Capital Improvement June 15/16, 2024

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: Please note as a Community of Faith, we offer our prayers for the sick. With so many requests for prayers, we have begun rotating names. Please be assured that sick loved ones and friends continue to be prayed for...Each week, our petition "For the sick....especially all those who have asked for our prayers, including..."

(NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS): Rosa Iglesia, Margaret Gillaspie, Minnette Mergen, Walter Quigley, Tom Boone, June Baiocco, Christine Harrington, Josephine Tarquinio, Carolyn Seigle, Marie Kiesel, Louise Phillips, Eileen Ettwein, Dick DeLong, Joseph Rejuney, Joan Crane, Marie Kuenzer (MC), Susan Ott, Mary Oliver, Rodney Grenne, Barbara Sullivan, Mary Anne Agne, Phyllis Hunt, Evelyn Foley, Maureen Anderson, Steve Blum, Jane & Rick Gallagher.

CHESAPEAKE HEALTHCARE CENTER: Clair Saar, Mary Thatcher, Mike Walker, Anna Phillips, Rafaela Martinez, and Elizabeth Bolmarcich.

AT HOME: Kathryn Marks, Fannye Wickley, Gene DiPascale, Doris Moyer, Joseph Evan, Patty and Al Russell, Ada Murphy, Sherri Yewitt, and Paul Michael Thomas.

IN THE HOSPITAL: Let us pray for all those currently in the hospital.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Jay Stefaney, Joseph Bertini, Glen Carey, Robert Stermer, Rustico Macasaet, Sandra Bullinger, Monica Wheaton, Mary Young, Joan Owen, Frances Costa, and Kathleen Cassidy.



CF NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

REGISTER FOR SUNDAY CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES:

Any donations to Youth Ministry are greatly appreciated, since we do subsidize for families in need. Thank you for your support!





K through 5th grade:

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6th through 12th grade:

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If you have any questions, please contact: Elementary Formation – Melody.Smith@popparish.org Middle School/High School Formation & Peer Ministry – Kelly.Bruno@popparish.org

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW)

April 7, 14, 21, 28; May 5



UPCOMING YOUTH IN MOTION EVENTS

June 17-21 – Paint Explosion Youth Mission

VIRTUS:

All Catechists, Assistants, VYMs, people in leadership roles, and those serving minors or vulnerable adults are required to register for and attend a one-time class, VIRTUS Protecting God's Children. Registration for the class will initiate the Safe Environment Screening which is required every five years. Please email our POP safe environment coordinator at Melody.Smith@popparish. org for more information.

FORMED.ORG:

Prince of Peace offers a wide variety of Catholic movies, educational programs, seminars, books, and spiritual exercises for all POP families and adults at no cost to them. Here is how to get signed up!

- 1. Go to www.formed.org or click on the link above.
- 2. Click on the blue "Sign up as a Parishioner" button.
- 3. Enter: "Prince of Peace, 621 Cedar Road, Chesapeake, VA"
- 4. Enter your Name & Email.



SPRING YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

Come join our Spring Youth Bible Study! This is your chance to dig deeper into scripture. Just bring a willing heart.

When: Sundays April 21st, 28th; May 5th, 19th;

June 2nd

Time: 6:30-8:00 p.m. Where: Prince of Peace

Who: Middle and High School Teens

Register:

https://giving.parishsoft.com/

App/Form/608afc18-8224-44e8-aef7-2ae01b0f0aa6. For more information, contact Kelly at Kelly.Bruno@popparish.org.





Music Rehearsal Schedule

Wednesdays: Instrumental 6-7pm

Choir 7:15-9pm

Sundays: Combined 10:15-10:45am

in the worship space

YOUNG ADULT



THEOLOGY ON TAP

The goal of Theology on Tap in the Diocese of Richmond is to provide a place for young adults (roughly ages 21-35) to gather, delve

into a Catholic topic, and connect with other young adults in the area. All young adults, whether single or married, are welcome!

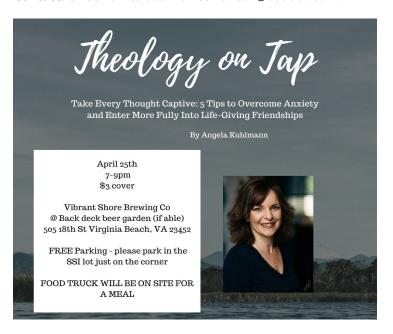
Date: Last Thursday of the month

Location: Locations rotate every month; contact Chloe for more

information

Time: 7:00-9:00 p.m.

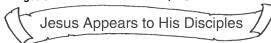
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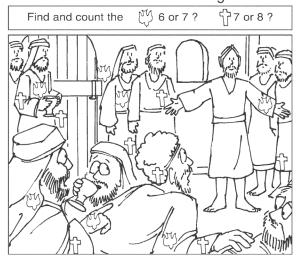
SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY **APRIL 7, 2024**

Children's Worship Bulletin™

April 7, 2024 · John 20:19-31



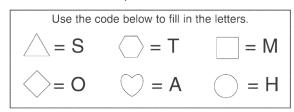
On the 1st Easter evening, the disciples were together with the doors locked. Suddenly, Jesus came and stood among them!



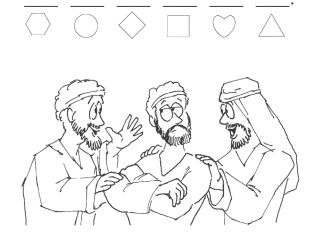
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One disciple was not there.



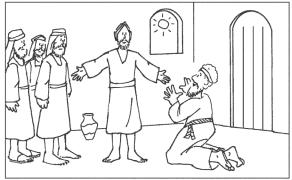
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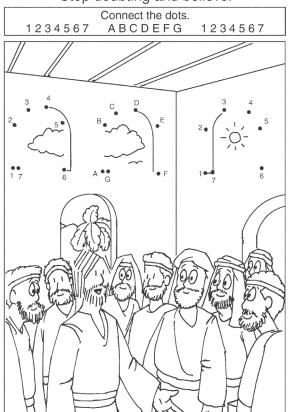
Thomas said, "My Lord and my God!"

Circle 6 things that are different in the 2nd picture.





Later Jesus appeared to Thomas and the others. He told Thomas, "Stop doubting and believe!"



PEACE AND JUSTICE:

We strive to live the love of Christ by sharing it with those in our community.



HELPING OUR HOMELESSCHESAPEAKE NEIGHBORS

We have several ongoing programs to support our homeless neighbors within Prince of Peace and we also partner with many other churches in the area.

We have an Amazon Wishlist of what we call "shelf stable" items. This is a quick and easy way to buy items we use every week and would be a wonderful way to support this ministry if you don't have time to make sandwiches, etc. It is as easy as going to this link via the QR code, ordering and having them sent to POP – Homeless Meals; the address will be available for you to choose once you go to checkout!! If you have any questions at all, please just email me at cooeybrooks@cox.net. Thank you so much!!



FATHER ROMEO D. JAZMIN FOOD PANTRY

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION DATES... Saturday and Sunday: April 6/7 (Mark your

calendar. Drop off food bags before each Mass in the Commons. Thank you.)

Mondays, 9:00-10:00 a.m. – Drop off food... Pantry Volunteers are available to help with your bags or boxes.

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m. – Pick up and drop off food (Drop food bags off at the Food Pantry, located in the back of the church. Do not leave food outside of the doors.) Parishioners who need assistance, contact 757-410-7957 for a date and time to pick up food, or to pick up food on Wednesdays between 10:00-11:30 a.m.

SOME SHOPPING ITEMS NEEDED, PLEASE CONSIDER: Peanut Butter, Canned Fruit, Jell-O, Hamburger Helper, Jelly, Canned Soup, Pork & Beans, Eggs. If you would rather have the Pantry do the shopping, consider a financial contribution. Financial gifts can be made in cash, check, and by going to the website at popparish. org and to Prince of Peace Parishsoft Giving & Offering (Tap) and submit through E-giving. If you are writing a check, in the memo, write "Food Pantry." Thank you and God bless.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 8240:

Attention, Catholic Men! Have you ever thought of joining the Knights of Columbus? The Knights of Columbus is the largest fraternal Catholic organization in the world. Men age 18 and over, who are practicing Catholics, are strongly encouraged to join for a variety of reasons. All Knights strive to be Catholic gentlemen, to learn more about their faith, and are dedicated to putting their faith in action in support of their church, family, community, and, yes, charities that help benefit children, the elderly, the handicapped, and the homeless. Prince of Peace Knights of Columbus Council 8240 has existed for over 35 years. Working together in unity and fraternity, the Brothers have helped countless families, individuals, church programs, and benefits over the years. We make a difference! Come join us. For more information, please contact Grand Knight Frank Kenney at greatfx35@gmail.com or call 757-615-6285.

PRINCE OF PEACE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry uses the time and talents of parish members to knit or crochet shawls that will be given away to help spread the message of God's mercy, love and compassion. The recipients include people entering a new phase in life or those experiencing a loss, illness, or difficult circumstances. If you know someone who might need a Prayer Shawl, please contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office.



GRAND GROUP

We welcome all Prince of Peace seniors to consider joining the Grand Group. Please contact Joan at 757-226-7468 or stanjam22@aol.com or Judy at 757-472-

6008 or judithflorance@cox.net with guestions.

HOMELESS ASSISTANCE VOLUNTEERS

Want to be the face of charity for our local homeless living in their cars? We distribute food for the homeless early on Tuesday and Thursday mornings in two large parking areas. Contact Mike Corrigan at 757-775-7696.

FREEWILL – A PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO REFLECT ON OUR FAITH JOURNEY AND PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

Estate planning is an essential act of stewardship for Catholics, ensuring that our values and faith are woven into our future plans. In partnership with FreeWill, the Catholic Community Foundation offers a simple and free way for you to create your estate plan. This year, take the opportunity to ensure your legacy aligns with your spiritual values and contributes to the ongoing growth and strength of our parish community.

Visit **FreeWill.com/RichmondCatholicFoundation** to start your estate planning today and take a leap of faith into the future. It is free, legal and user-friendly.



LUMEN CHRISTI LEGACY SOCIETY

Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on Sunday, April 7. Jesus, in all His love, told St. Faustina that the Feast of Mercy would be a very special day. Our Lord made a great promise

to all those souls who would go to Confession and then receive Him in Holy Communion on the "Feast of Mercy," the Sunday after Easter: "all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened." (Diary 699) We are all invited to the feast – the joy of Our Lord, and the banquet of faith and the riches of His goodness. "Jesus, I trust in You."

There are three main prayers of the Divine Mercy Chaplet: (1) Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. (2) For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world. (3) Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. With all three of these prayers, we are admitting to God that we are all unworthy. It is only through Jesus' sacrifice, only through God's power, only through His Mercy that we can ask for anything. Do we offer ourselves? No, we offer Jesus. Do we ask for our "sake"? No, we say "for the sake of His sorrowful Passion"? Through this prayer, we are asking God to grant us our intentions due to His Greatness. Our strength comes from faith, hope and love. With your faith, hope and love, you can make a difference. You can provide the future needs of our holy church community, Prince of Peace, and be part of its legacy. Your invested gift, whatever the amount, is a manifestation of love that will provide future income for our mission. Please view A Guide to Legacy Giving brochure on the Prince of Peace website at www. popparish.org. Go to: Support Your Parish, then to Legacy Giving. Contact Nick Vacca at nbv8080@outlook.com for additional information, or contact him in the Parish Office at 757-547-0356. If you have already included Prince of Peace in your Will, "Welcome as a Lumen Christi Society Member."

PRINCE OF PEACE POLICY:

Anyone requesting a Godparent sponsor letter, a Confirmation sponsor letter, or a letter verifying church membership, must be a registered member of the Parish a minimum of six months.

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY APRIL 7, 2024

PILGRIMAGE TO MARIAN SHRINES WITH FR. CHARLES & FR. JOHN BOSCO

Lisbon, Fatima, Spain and Lourdes



September 23 – October 2, 2024

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Fr. Charles Ssebalamu

Group Leaders: Jan & Fred Barger







Fr. John Bosco Walugembe

Your Trip Includes

- Round-trip airfare from Norfolk (ORF)
- † Airport Taxes and Fuel Surcharges
- 8 nights at centrally located Hotels as follows (or similar):
- † 1 night: Sep 24 Sep 25: Hotel Lumen, Lisbon, Portugal
- † 2 nights: Sep 25 Sep 27 : Hotel Santa Maria Jardim, Fatima, Portugal
- † 1 night: Sep 27 Sep 28: Hotel Abba Fonseca, Salamanca, Spain
- † 1 night: Sep 28 Sep 29: Hotel Abba, Burgos, Spain
- 3 nights: Sep 29 Oct 02: Hotel Chapelle et Parc, Lourdes, France
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Transfers as per itinerary
- † Wireless headsets where needed
- † Transportation by air-conditioned private motor coach with free Wi-fi
- † Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- † Assistance of a professional local Catholic Guide(s)
- † Mass daily & Spiritual Activities



Contact Jan Barger: j.barger@dreamvacations.com | Register Online: www.206tours.com/janbarger/

Sample Day by Day Itinerary

Day 1, Mon, Sep 23: Depart for Lisbon

Make your way to your local airport, where you will board your overnight flight(s). Your meals will be served on board.

Day 2, Tue, Sep 24: Arrive Lisbon

Upon landing at Lisbon airport, claim your baggage proceed to the arrival hall, where your tour guide and/or driver will greet you. In the afternoon, enjoy a panoramic tour of Lisbon, which will include St. Jerome's Monastery, built to give thanks to the Virgin Mary. We will drive by the Belem Tower and many landmarks, like; the 25th of April Bridge, the Basilica of the Star, and the Marquee of Pombal Square. Our last stop will be St. Anthony's Church. The patron saint of lost things is best known as St. Anthony of Padua (Italy), but he was born and baptized here in Lisbon, Portugal. The Church where we will celebrate Mass was built upon the site of St. Anthony's birth. Welcome dinner and overnight in Lisbon.

Day 3, Wed, Sep 25: Lisbon - Santarem - Fatima

Today, we will head to Fatima. On the way, we will stop at St. Stephens Church in the town of Santarem to celebrate Mass and venerate the 13th century Eucharistic Miracle. Continue to Fatima - this hamlet of Aljustrel, is the birthplace and home of the three shepherd children. Dinner and overnight in Fatima.

Day 4, Thu, Sep 26: Fatima

Today will surely be a memorable experience as you pray and meditate at one of Our Blessed Mother's apparition sites. Our Lady appeared to three shepherd children; Lucia (age 10), Jacinta (age 7), and Francisco (age 9). These apparitions occurred monthly from May until October of 1917. Historically, as the entire world was in turmoil amidst World War I, the most prominent message from Our Lady of Fatima was to pray for world peace. In her messages to the children, specifically in the second secret, she mentioned the destruction of the world. Our profoundly reflective day begins with a visit to the Little Chapel of the Apparitions simple, yet modern, which is the site where the Virgin Mary first appeared on May 13th in 1917. Follow with a visit to the stunning neoclassical Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary. This Sacred space contains the tombs of St. Francisco, St. Jacinta, and Sister Lucia. View the monument that commemorates the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the sauare. Our Lady's messages included consistent reminders to pray the Rosary - the Basilica honors this, by featuring fifteen altars dedicated to the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary. While in the Basilica, you will feel, through the love of Our Lord and Lady, the many graces received here. Visit the museum with the exhibition: "Fatima: Light and Peace". Continue with a visit to the Holy Trinity Basilica. After free time for lunch, we will experience Christ's unconditional love by participating in the Stations of the Cross along the Via Sacra. 'The Sacred Way" marks the path the shepherd children took to the first apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. The path is composed of fifteen small chapels in commemoration of the Passion of Our Lord. The fifteenth station, the Resurrection, can be found close to the Chapel of Calvary, dedicated to St. Stephen, King of Hungary. The day ends with a visit to Valinhos, the site of Our Lady's August 19th, 1917 Apparition, which was also the first and third apparition of the Angel. Your night will conclude with private devotions and a candlelight procession, requested by Our Lady (1917). Enjoy dinner and a comfortable night's rest in Fatima.

Day 5, Fri, Sep 27: Fatima – Salamanca

This morning you will head to Salamanca, following a full breakfast at the hotel. Salamanca is a city in the Castilla y Leon region known for its large university, the oldest in Spain that is still active along with its prominent culture. Our walking tour will bring us to the most noteworthy sites, such as; the grand Plaza Mayor, an iconic square filled with food, shopping, and city events. La Clerecia, a church, and college of the Jesuit Order constructed in the seventeenth century. La Casa de las Conchas currently a public library and monument, decorated with shells that symbolize the famous pilgrimage to Santiago (El Camino). The University of Salamanca is the oldest University in Spain and the third oldest in Europe. The Roman Bridge is a national monument that extends along the River Tormes and is among Salamanca's sturdiest bridges. La Iglesia de San Marcos, constructed in the Romanesque style contains breathtaking paintings that portray many scenes of Our Lady's life. La Iglesia de San Martin is a Church devoted to St. Martin de Porres, who is the patron saint of mixed-race people and all those seeking interracial harmony. Visit the inside of the two joint Salamanca Cathedrals (old and new), one Romanesque style and the other Gothic style. Following this eventful day, you will return to your hotel for a delicious meal and overnight at your hotel in Salamanca.

Day 6, Sat, Sep 28: Salamanca - Alba de Tormes - Avila - Burgos

This morning, following breakfast, you will board the bus and enjoy a short transfer to the village of Alba de Tormes. This town is home to the Carmelite

Monastery that Saint Teresa founded in 1571. Upon arrival in Alba de Tormes, celebrate Mass at the Monastery where she died and was buried. Following Mass, you will have the opportunity to visit the museum dedicated to St. Teresa of Avila, which also holds her incorrupt heart and left arm. Enjoy free time for lunch on your own before continuing to the medieval city of Avila. Upon arrival in Avila, you will immediately notice the perfectly preserved eleventh-century walls surrounding the old town. The conservation of architecture in this city, to which St. Teresa was born, deems its shrines, convents, and churches necessary to visit any Catholic pilgrimage. The Cathedral de Avila encompasses the Romanesque, Gothic, and Renaissance styles of its time with its artwork and architecture. La Basilica de San Vicente in Avila stands on the site of the martyrdom of St. Vincent. Visit the Incarnation Convent, where St. Teresa became a nun. Saint Teresa convinced Saint John of the Cross to reform the male Carmelite order, the reform she started when she met Saint John in Medina del Campo. After walking in the footsteps of St. Teresa, continue your journey to Burgos. Upon arrival in the historic capital of Old Castile, enjoy dinner. Following dinner, you will have the opportunity to explore the city of Burgos and admire its magnificent limestone, gothic-style Cathedral. Late this evening, you will return to your hotel for a restful overniaht.

Day 7, Sun, Sep 29: Burgos - Loyola - Lourdes

Following breakfast, transfer from Burgos to Loyola to visit the birthplace of St. Ignatius, founder of the Jesuit Order. St. Ignatius dedicated himself to becoming a soldier of the Christian faith, and as a result of many tribulations, he wrote the ever-famous Spiritual Exercises. In Loyola, you will see the 17th-century Basilica dedicated to this remarkable saint - the Basilica is part of a series of buildings surrounding the "Holy House," or birthplace of St. Ignatius. When you visit these Holy places, you will also have the opportunity to pray at the most venerated room, where St. Ignatius prayed and began his conversion. After meditating on the life of this founder of the Jesuit Order, enjoy free time for lunch. We will continue to Lourdes for a spectacular view of the Pyrenees Mountains. Upon arrival in Lourdes, you will check-in to your hotel and enjoy a splendid dinner and peaceful overnight.

Day 8 & 9, Mon & Tue: Sep 30 & Oct 01: Lourdes

Over the next two days, you will stay in a small town nestled within the Pyrenees Mountains. During your time in Lourdes, you will pray and meditate in yet another site of Our Lady's apparitions. Our Lady first appeared to Bernadette in 1858 and announced herself as "The Immaculate Conception" near the Grotto of Massabielle. During the first two apparitions, little Bernadette prayed the Rosary with Our Lady. She left without exchanging any words. During the following apparitions, Our Lady emphasized God's love for us, penance, and the necessity of performing acts of penance for sinners. Throughout your time in Lourdes, you will have the opportunity to attend Mass at the Grotto, where Our Lady appeared to Bernadette. Here you have opportunities to watch a video presentation that explains in detail the story of Lourdes; drink water from the miraculous spring that has healed many or submerge yourself in the healing baths. You will have the opportunity to experience Christ's unconditional love as you meditate upon the "life" size' Stations of the Cross that overlook the Grotto of Massabielle. You will walk in and meditate upon the footsteps of St. Bernadette. You will have the opportunity to see Boly Mill, the birthplace of St. Bernadette, and the "Cachot," an abandoned prison where Bernadette's impoverished family lived. Each evening following dinner, you will have an opportunity to attend the candlelight procession and the Rosary before a restful overnight.

Day 10, Wed, Oct 02: Return Flights Home

After an early breakfast and heartfelt farewells, leave by motorcoach and transfer to the Toulouse, Pau, or Lourdes airport for return flights home.

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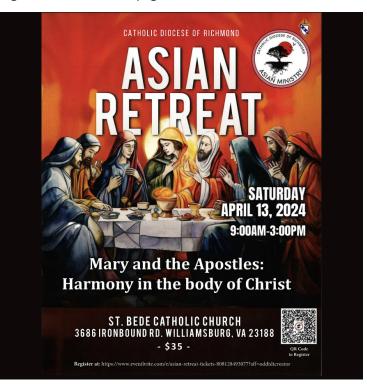
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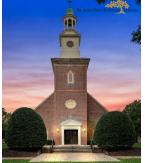




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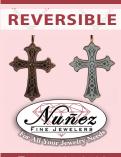


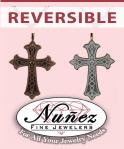
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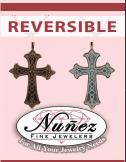
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