# IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX & ST. ELIZABETH OF THE TRINITY Monday, September 28 – Sunday, October 11, 2020 SAN FRANCISCO / SAN FRANCISCO - \$4,099.00

## (Airline taxes/fuel surcharges) Optional Insurance - \$397.00 Single Room Supplement \$650.00

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Gratefully yours, Beth Maddatu, OCDS

#### Day 1 - Monday, September 28, 2020 DEPART SAN FRANCISCO

Our pilgrimage begins as we depart San Francisco on our flight LH455 to Frankfurt, at 2:40pm.

#### Day 2 - Tuesday, September 29, 2020 ARRIVE PARIS

Arrive Frankfurt at 10:30am. Then transfer to flight LH1034 to Paris, at 12:55pm. Arrive Paris at 1:40pm. After checking through immigration and customs, we will be welcomed by our tour escort and bus driver. We will have a panoramic tour of Paris; including the Cathedral of Notre Dame (from outside), Champs Elysees, Arc de Triumph and stop at the Eiffel Tower for pictures. Then we drive to the Basilica of Our Lady of Victories, to celebrate Mass. Both Saints have visited this church; St. Therese in 1887 and St. Elizabeth in 1900. Since, the Canonization of Sts. Louis and Zelie Martin in 2015, there is now an altar of them here. Afterwards, we transfer to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

#### Day 3 - Wednesday, September 30, 2020 PARIS

After breakfast, we drive to visit the Basilica of the Sacre Coeur to celebrate Mass, spend some meditative time after Mass. Sacre Coeur was the starting point of St. Therese's Pilgrimage at 15 years old to Rome, to ask permission from the Pope to enter the Carmelite order. Also, St. Elizabeth went to Paris only once in 1900, the year before she entered Carmel. We will have some time at leisure in Montmartre. Then we will enjoy a river cruise along the Seine and spend some time at leisure. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

## Day 4 – Thursday, October 1, 2020 PARIS / LISIEUX

Today, we continue on our drive to Lisieux. Upon arrival, we celebrate Mass in the Basilica. The Basilica contains the crypt (that holds the reliquary) of St. Therese's parents. In the afternoon, we continue with the visit: The Buissonnets house (where St. Therese lived her childhood), St Peter's Cathedral, that was the parish for St Therese and her family. It was here in a chapel that St Therese along with her family attended the Sunday Mass; she received many Eucharistic graces there. Then we continue to the Carmel Chapel that contains the tomb of St. Therese ("The Little Flower"). She is represented there lying on her deathbed wearing the habit of the Carmelite order. We also have time to visit the Carmel Museum to see the numerous authentic objects. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

## Day 5 -Friday, October 2, 2020 LISIEUX / HONFLEUR / DEAUVILLE / LISIEUX

After breakfast, we drive towards the north, to the city of Honfleur. We visit the Church of Our Lady of Grace, where we will also celebrate Mass. Our Lady of Grace is where St. Therese prayed for her entrance to Carmel. We will then enjoy some time at leisure in the city center. For lunch (not

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included), take advantage and order seafood. In the afternoon, we drive to Deauville, a sea shore where St. Therese and her family used to spend their time during the summer. Return to Lisieux. Balance of the day at leisure, for personal activities. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

## Day 6 - Saturday, October 3, 2020 LISIEUX / SEMALLE / ALENCON / CHARTRES

In the morning, we drive to Semallle and we visit the farmhouse where St. Therese lived with the family of her wet-nurse, Rose Taille. She lived there from March 1873; when she was three months old until April 1874; when at 15 months, then she returned to her family in Alencon. We continue to Alencon, the birthplace of St. Therese. We will also visit her childhood home as well as Alencon's Basilica, where Marie-Francoise-Therese Martin was baptized and here we will celebrate Mass. In the late afternoon continue to Chartres. Check in at the hotel, for dinner and overnight.

#### Day 7 - Sunday, October 4, 2020 CHARTRES / DIJON

Today, we visit the magnificent 13th century cathedral, home of the veil worn by the Blessed Virgin Mary, then we will celebrate Mass. Then we drive to Dijon dinner and overnight.

#### Day 8 - Monday, October 5, 2020 DIJON / FLAVIGNEROT / DIJON

We spend the morning in Dijon to enjoy a guided tour of the city center including the Church of St. Michel, which houses St. Elizabeth's major relics and it is also where she attended daily mass. We will also celebrate Mass here at the Church of St. Michel. In The afternoon, we drive to the village of Flavignerot to visit the Carmelite Convent where St Elizabeth and her community were moved to a quieter place as the city of Dijon had become a very busy and noisy town. We will also visit the little museum of St Elizabeth. Then we return to Dijon for dinner and overnight.

#### Day 9 -Tuesday, October 6, 2020 DIJON / PARAY LE MONIAL / TOURS

After breakfast, we drive to Paray Le Monial which is the home of the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We visit the Chapel of the Visitation where Jesus exposed His Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary-Alacoque in 1673-1675. Also, this is where St. Elizabeth visited in 1900. In 1901 a new Carmel of Dijon was established. It was decided that St. Elizabeth would enter here but at the last minute the prioress let her stay in Dijon out of deference to her mother. We will also celebrate Mass here. In the afternoon, we continue to Tours. Upon arrival, we check in at the hotel for dinner and overnight.

#### Day 10 - Wednesday, October 7, 2020 TOURS/ SAINT LAURANT SUR SEVRES / BORDEAUX

This morning, we depart Tours and drive to the village of Saint Laurent Sur Sevres. Upon arrival, we celebrate Mass at the Basilica of St. Louis the Montfort. St. Louis the Montfort began the devotion to the consecration to Mary. St.

Therese had a fondness to this devotion and practiced it. In the afternoon, we continue to Bordeaux to visit St. Eulalie Church. It is in this church that St. Louis Martin (father of Saint of Lisieux) was baptized and you will find a statue of St. Therese here in honor of her father. Also in the St. Eulalie Church, a stained-glass window representing St. Louis and St. Therese being received by the Pope Pius XI which was installed in the baptistery after St. Therese was canonized in 1925. Afterwards, we return to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

## Day 11 - Thursday, October 8, 2020 BORDEAUX / SAINT HILAIRE / LIMOUX / CARCASSONNE

Today, we drive to Saint-Hilaire D'Aude. St. Elizabeth visited this place 6 times. Elizabeth wrote, "I haven't forgotten our vacations at Saint-Hilaire, the joyous evenings and dancing... I recall that while I was dancing, I was haunted by the Carmel that attracted me so..." Then we visit the medieval Benedictine Abbey Church where St. Elizabeth's parents were married. This is where she first ever confided her vocation to Canon Angles, her closest Priest friend. Then we continue to Limoux to visit the Sanctuary of Notre-Dame de Marceille where St Elizabeth wrote to her mother, "I am following you everywhere on your journey; you'll take my soul with yours to Notre Dame de Marceille; we so often went up there together." We celebrate Mass here. Then continue to Carcassonne for dinner and overnight.

#### Day 12 - Friday, October 9, 2020 CARCASSONNE / CARLIPA / LOURDES

After breakfast, we drive to Lourdes. En route, we stop at the little village of Carlipa where St. Elizabeth stayed with her two aunts (4 different times). She wrote, "Oh, how beautiful it was, that starlit valley, that immensity, that infinity. It all spoke to me of God... Never will I forget those vacations spent with you; they will always be among my fondest memories and you will always be in the best part of my heart." Then we drive through the Cenne-Monesties, another small village where her aunts lived and then continue to travel to Lourdes. Upon arrival in Lourdes, we visit the Carmelite Convent and we will celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight in Lourdes and possible candlelight and rosary procession.

## Day 13 - Saturday, October 10, 2020 LOURDES

After breakfast, we spend the day in Lourdes where St. Elizabeth visited four times. Although St. Therese has never visited Lourdes, her mother Zellie, now a Saint also pilgrimaged to Lourdes in the hopes of getting cured from breast cancer. When Elizabeth was eighteen, she wrote verses, "O Lourdes, O River Gave, O Sanctuary, mysterious and solitary Grotto, place where the breath of God passed, Oh! You seem to be a corner of Heaven!" Then we celebrate Mass at the Carmelite Monastery. We visit the historical and spiritual sites associated with the visionary child Bernadette. We begin at the Grotto of the Apparitions and then continue on a guided walking tour visiting the Basilica of St. Pius X, Boly Mill, Soubirous family home, the Basilica of the Rosary, the miraculous spring and the healing baths. After dinner, we join in the nightly rosary and candlelight procession.

## Day 14 – Sunday, October 11, 2020 DEPART LOURDES / SAN FRANCISCO

Today, we depart to Toulouse on our flight LH2219 to Munich, at 1:40pm. Arrive Munich at 3:20pm. Then transfer to flight LH458 to San Francisco, at 4:20pm. Arrive San Francisco at 6:55pm.

Itinerary is subject to change without notice.

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