

DE MAZENOD FAMILY EDUCATION NETWORK

CHARISM PILGRIMAGE

PARIS - AIX EN PROVENCE - ROME

13 DAYS/10 NIGHTS 19TH-30TH JUNE 2024

Join us as we pilgrimage to the significant sites and places of St Eugene's life. For more info visit: **www.omi.com.au**

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TRIP OVERVIEW

DMF EDUCATION NETWORK CHARISM PILGRIMAGE

13 DAYS/10 NIGHTS PARIS (2 NIGHTS) AIX-EN-PROVENCE (4 NIGHTS) GENOVA (1 NIGHT) ROME (3 NIGHTS)

Although this pilgrimage was organised for staff attending an international education conference, we are excited to open the invite for the Charism [ilgrimage to all members of the De Mazenod Family. This pilgrimage is being managed by Magi Holidays. They will coordinate the land package and facilitate flights where possible to accommodate group bookings for flights. This decision has been based on the fact those participating will be travelling from various locations in Australia and many will be choosing to extend their travels before or after the pilgrimage. An example of an extension activity for some staff members is the IBSC Conference at the Harrow School in London from July 1 to July 4.

Travel insurance is not included in the package costs and we strongly advise organising this as soon as you are ready to pay your deposit.

DATES: 19–30TH JUNE 2024

Flying out of Australia on Wednesday 19th June.

INDICATIVE COST: (LAND ONLY)

\$6590 - TWIN SHARE

\$1790 - SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT

This is a preliminary cost indication based on a group size of 20. The price is subject to changes in foreign exchange fluctuations and final group numbers.

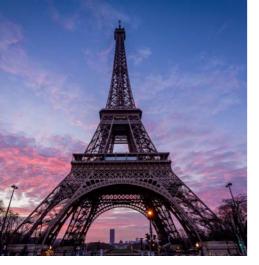
WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Accommodation (shared rooms) in 3/4 star hotels.
- All tours and transfers in fully airconditioned bus.
- Meals as per itinerary (10 breakfasts & 10 dinners).
- Tour guides Paris, Marseille, Rome
- Headsets if required (Whispers)
- Entrance into sights Eiffel Tower, Avignon, Vatican Museums, Catacombs, Colosseum etc.
- Tips approximately 25 AUD per person, per day
- Coordination of Holy Mass in Paris & Rome
- Tour Manager
- Pilgrim backpack

EXCLUSIONS

- Flights
- Meals & beverages not mentioned
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance
- Visas, if required
- Any extra tours, extentions and service
- Anything not mentioned in inclusions











MEAL CODE B: BREAKFAST L: LUNCH D: DINNER

ITINERARY IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF SITES AND TIMES. ITINERARY MAY BE ALTERED TO INCLUDE PLACES OF SIGNIFICANCE TO ST EUGENE AND HIS LIFE.

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY 19 JUNE - DEPART FOR EUROPE

DAY 2:

THURSDAY 20 JUNE - ARRIVE IN PARIS

Upon arrival at the Paris International Airport, we will be welcomed and transferred to the hotel.

Paris overnight (D)

DAY 3: FRIDAY 21 JUNE - PARIS

Today, we will visit the great churches of Paris including the **Basilica of the Sacred Heart**, and the **Shrine of the Miraculous Medal**, where St. Catherine Laboure, a member of the Daughters of Charity, received her apparitions of Mary. Later in the evening, we will visit **Eiffel Tower** and enjoy a **Seine River cruise** in the evening. *Paris overnight (BD)*

DAY 4:

SATURDAY 22 JUNE - PARIS - AVIGNON - AIX-EN-PROVENCE

This morning, we will awaken feeling well-refreshed! Following breakfast, we will journey to the medieval city of Avignon, a city where the Popes resided for a time, and which remained under papal rule until becoming part of France. Then proceed to **Palais des Papes**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, one of the largest and most important medieval Gothic buildings in Europe and **Pont d'Avignon** which contains the remains of the Saint-Bénezet. *Aix-En-Provence overnight (BD)*

DAY 5: SUNDAY 23 JUNE - AIX-EN-PROVENCE

Today, we will explore the spiritual and historical treasures Aix-En-Provence offers. Visit the awe-inspiring St. Sauveur Cathedral and the tranquil Enclos de Mazenod. Later, visit the Church of Madeleine and reflect on the history of the Municipal Prison. Take a stroll along Cours Mirabeau, savouring its charm. We will conclude our day at the Church of the Mission, finding peace and spiritual rejuvenation.

Aix-En-Provence overnight (BD)

DAY 6: MONDAY 24 JUNE - AIX-EN-PROVENCE

This morning, we will spend time in retreat at the Oblate house in Aix-en-Provence, a spiritual haven for pilgrims seeking tranquillity and reflection amid picturesque surroundings. The rest of the day is free for leisure.

Aix-En-Provence overnight (BD)

DAY 7: TUESDAY 25 JUNE - MARSEILLE - GENOVA

After early breakfast, we will embark on a pilgrimage to Marseille, visiting the Cathedral and the sacred Shrine of **Notre Dame de la Garde**, where faith and breathtaking panoramic views unite in reverence and reflection. Later, we depart Marseille and continue our scenic drive along the French Riviera towards Genova.

Genova overnight (BD)

DAY 8: WEDNESDAY 26 JUNE - GENOVA - PISA - ROME

We begin our day visiting the Square of Miracles, where the Cathedral that was built almost 1,000 years ago and the cathedral's bell tower, better known as the Leaning Tower of Pisa, are located. Later, we journey to the Eternal City, Rome. *Rome overnight (BD)*

DAY 9: THURSDAY 27 JUNE - ROME

After breakfast visit sites such as the **Catacombs of St. Callixtus** and Chiesa Del Domine Quo Vadis. Then, visit the Basilica of the Holy Cross in Jerusalem, Mary Major, St. John Lateran and 'Scala Santa'. Later, visit of **Vatican Museum** to see Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel, Raphael's Rooms and the Tapestries Gallery. Then we will visit **St. Peters Basilica** and the Tomb of St. John Paul II. If opened, we will also see the Tombs of the Popes including St. Peter the Apostle.

Rome overnight (BD)

DAY 10: FRIDAY 28 JUNE - ROME

Today, after checking out from the hotel we will tour sites such as the **Colosseum**, **the Roman Forum**, **the Arch of Constantine**, **Circus Maximus**, **Palatine Hill** and many more. Later proceed on a walking tour to see the **Pantheon**, **Novona Square and Trevi Fountain**. *Rome overnight (BD)*

DAY 11: SATURDAY 29 JUNE - ROME

This morning, we will make a visit to the **General House Oblates of Mary Immaculate**. Later, we will seek solace at **St. Alphonsus Liguori church, San Silvestro church**, and **Santi Apostoli Church**, each brimming with sacred history and serenity. This evening, we will enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. *Rome overnight (BD)*

DAY 12: SUNDAY 30 JUNE - DEPART ITALY

After breakfast, we will check out from the hotel and then transferred to Rome International Airport for return flights to Australia or travel extensions. **(B)**

DAY 13: MONDAY 1 JULY - ARRIVAL AUSTRALIA