Student Leadership
Vincentian Heritage Tour of France
March 17 – 26, 2016
17, Thursday
Departure
The big day has arrived! This afternoon we’ll check in at the Chicago O’Hare Airport for the flight to Paris. (D-in flight)

18, Friday
Paris
Bonjour! After passport control, proceed to the baggage claim area and continue to the Arrival Hall. Father Udovic and our driver/guide, Joop, will meet us here and direct us to the waiting motorcoach for our drive directly to the hotel for early check-in. This afternoon, Father Udovic will give an orientation tour of some of the famous landmarks, followed by our welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (B,D)

Summary of Trip
Round trip air transportation
Chicago/Paris

10 days, 9 nights’ accommodations in Paris (includes early check-in)

Private motorcoach transportation with driver/guide
Breakfast daily, two lunches and two dinners

Tour Highlights
Visits to sites associated with St. Vincent de Paul
Time to enjoy the beauty of Paris!
Excursions outside of Paris, including:
- Folleville and Amiens
- Versailles
- Joigny and Fontainebleau

Directed by:
Reverend Edward R. Udovic, C.M., Ph.D.

19, Saturday
Paris
A fascinating day is in store for us as Father Udovic gives us a tour of some of the Vincentian sites in Paris. We will begin our day visiting the Vincentian motherhouse on rue de Sèvres. Highlights of this visit will include the magnificent chapel with its reliquary containing St. Vincent’s remains, and the accompanying Vincentian Museum. Also included will be a visit to the nearby motherhouse of the Daughters of Charity with its famous Miraculous Medal Chapel. We will also visit the nearby Church of St. Sulpice. After our break for lunch, we’ll visit the famous Hotel des Invalides. The evening will be free with an independent dinner. (B)

20, Sunday
Paris
Today will be a completely free day to enjoy Paris! Some suggestions for today would be to attend Mass at the Daughters of Charity motherhouse or the Cathedral of Notre-Dame. This might also be a good day to visit the Louvre, go up the Eiffel Tower or take a cruise down the Seine River. (B)

Tour Cost:
Round trip from Chicago based on double occupancy
$3,145 per person
$600 Cost to student
$2,545 Mission and Values Scholarship
21, Monday
Folleville, Amiens, Paris
A full-day excursion with Father Udovic as our guide is planned from Paris to Folleville and Amiens. The Congregation of the Mission had its origins in a sermon given by St. Vincent in the parish church at Folleville. Upon arrival at approximately 10:30 a.m., coffee and refreshments will be served, followed by our visit to the church. At 1:00 p.m. we'll have lunch at a local restaurant. We'll then visit the Cathedral of Notre Dame at Amiens. Begun in 1220, this magnificent cathedral has an elegant nave, the highest in France. The interior has late medieval stained-glass windows and an 18th-century wrought-iron screen. Later we'll travel through the beautiful French countryside and return to Paris. (B,L)

22, Tuesday
Versailles, Paris
This morning we’ll make an excursion to Versailles, the fabulous palace created by Louis XIV. The French royals, as you will see on your self-guided tour, lived in resplendent grandeur. The royal parish and chapel were staffed by the Vincentians. There will be free time to explore the vast grounds and gardens and have independent lunch before we return to Paris. The remainder of the afternoon and evening are free. (B)

23, Wednesday
Paris
With Father Udovic as our guide, the group will be introduced to some additional Vincentian sites in Paris. Among these are the original site of Saint Lazare, the churches of Saint-Laurent and Ste. Marguerite. The remainder of the day is free for independent exploration and dining. (B)

24, Thursday
Joigny, Fontainebleau, Paris
Another wonderful full-day excursion is planned outside of Paris. First we’ll travel south to the village of Joigny. After time to visit Vincentian sites, lunch is planned at a local restaurant. We’ll double back to Fontainebleau for a brief late-afternoon visit to the magnificent palace, which St. Vincent de Paul often visited on royal business. Back in Paris, the evening is free for independent dining. (B,L)

25, Friday
Paris
We'll have our final morning class session at the Vincentian motherhouse. The afternoon will be free for independent exploration. This evening we will all meet together for our farewell dinner. (B,D)

26, Saturday
Return
Early this morning, we'll transfer to Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport where we'll check in for our return flights back to the U.S. We hope the DePaul Student Leadership Vincentian Heritage Tour has been a wonderful and meaningful experience! (B,L-in flight)
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The cost of your tour includes:

**Air transportation** round trip from Chicago to Paris with any regularly scheduled air carrier, based on a nonrefundable/nonchangeable fare, which requires a minimum of 10 passengers traveling round trip together. Tickets are issued 45 days prior to departure. All current airlines taxes, security fees and fuel surcharges are included. Note that these items cannot be guaranteed until tickets are issued.

**Secure flight information.** The requirement to collect date of birth, gender, and full name are federally mandated by the Transportation Security Administration’s (TSA) Secure Flight Program. While disclosure of this information is voluntary, if it is not provided, participants may be denied boarding. TSA’s privacy policy, as well as additional details, can be found at tsa.gov using the keywords Secure Flight. Witte Travel & Tours (Witte) takes all reasonable steps to safeguard the privacy of all information collected from its clients.

**Frequent flyer points** are not guaranteed in connection with group airfares. Some airlines may limit group airfare credits to 25% to 50% of the frequent flyer points that apply to individuals while others do not offer any credits for group airfares.

**Hazardous Materials.** Federal law forbids the carriage of hazardous materials aboard aircraft in your luggage or on your person. A violation can result in five years’ imprisonment and penalties of $250,000 or more (49 U.S.C. 5124). Hazardous materials include explosives, compressed gases, flammable liquids and solids, oxidizers, poisons, corrosives and radioactive materials. For more information, examples and special exceptions, visit: http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/prohibited-items.

**Land transportation.** A deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach is used for transfers, excursions, and travel between cities. Because motorcoach travel is restricted in many European cities, sightseeing is often done on foot or via public transportation.

**Accommodations** in tourist- and superior tourist-class hotels based on two students sharing a room with private facilities. Adult directors and chaperons will be accommodated in twin-bedded rooms. The **supplement for single accommodations is $450.** If you register alone but want a roommate, we will do our best to assign one. If a single room must be assigned to any member of the group for any reason, even if it is at the last minute or while on tour, we will need to charge the single supplement. Changes in rooming arrangements requested by the participant 45 or fewer days prior to departure may result in additional charges.

**Meals.** Breakfast daily and dinners as indicated in the itinerary. Dinners do not include beverages.

**A multi-lingual driver/guide** to accompany the group from arrival in France until departure. The driver/guide may be assisted by local guides as needed.

**Sightseeing and admission fees** in accordance with the itinerary.

**Tipping** and taxes are included for all services, including the tip for the driver/guide.

**Travel protection.** Your tour cost includes a travel protection plan offered by Travelex Insurance Services. The plan cost of $160 for the travel protection plan is non-refundable and subject to change. The travel protection plan does not cover any travel arrangements not made by or purchased from Witte. It may be necessary to increase the trip cost insured on the travel protection plan if you purchase additional services and/or upgrade any arrangements. This could increase the plan cost of the travel protection plan.

**Schedule of Coverages**

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Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the Description of Coverage. For example, coverage does not apply to any sickness or condition of a Traveling Companion or Family Member traveling with you that existed during the 60 days prior to the effective date of the coverages (this exclusion is waived if your premium is received within 14 days of the initial deposit/payment for your tour), suicide, normal pregnancy, mental or nervous disorders. A Traveling Companion is defined as a person or persons with whom you have coordinated travel arrangements and intend to travel with during the tour. Sickness or injury must commence while the travel protection plan is in effect for you. This plan does not cover a loss that results from an illness, disease or condition (of you, a Family Member, Traveling Companion or Business Partner), event or circumstance that occurs at a time when the plan is not in effect for you. A Description of Coverage detailing the coverages, provisions, limitations and exclusions of the insurance offered will be included in the confirmation packets of travelers who purchase this travel protection. For more information prior to purchase, go to www.wittetravel.com/tours/home/travel-protection/. You may also request a copy of the Certificate from our office at any time. This plan is administered by Stonebridge Casualty Insurance Company, a Transamerica company, Columbus, OH.

The tour cost does not include passports, airline luggage fees if charged, porterage of luggage, optional excursions, independent meals, and any other items not mentioned as included.

**Insecticide Disclosure.** Some countries require that aircraft be treated with insecticides prior to flight or while occupied. For a list of the countries with insecticide requirements, go to http://airconsumer.dot.gov/spray.htm.

**Documentation:** U.S. citizens are required to have a valid passport. If you already have a passport, check its expiration date now since the country visited on this tour requires passports to be valid for at least three months beyond the traveler’s intended return date. If your passport is due to expire earlier, you will need to obtain a new one. If you do not have a passport or need a new one, apply as soon as possible. If you plan to visit other countries on your own, contact Witte for any special requirements. All non-U.S. citizens should contact Witte for their special requirements. We will check the requirements for non-U.S. citizens at the time they register and again approximately 45 days prior to departure. Witte is not responsible for any changes in requirements for non-U.S. citizens that occur after our final check.
Minor children traveling internationally without both parents are encouraged to carry a notarized note signed by both parents stating that they have permission to travel without one or both of them. Although this is not a requirement, it will save time if questions arise while clearing customs.

Luggage allowance. You may take one suitcase with a maximum size of 62 linear inches (height plus width plus depth) and weight of 50 lbs. You may also carry a purse, a camera and one piece of hand luggage with a maximum size of 45 linear inches and weight of 15 lbs. These size and weight restrictions conform to most airlines’ requirements. Hand luggage does not fit in the overhead bins on the motorcoach. There may be room for it in the storage compartment under the coach or by an empty seat on board. If not, it will need to be placed on the floor in front of your feet. You will be responsible for your own luggage throughout the tour so don’t bring more than you can comfortably lift and carry. Backpack-style and over-the-shoulder luggage is recommended.

Tour cost. The tour cost is based on a group of 23 passengers, current tariffs for air and land arrangements, and on an exchange rate of $1.20 to €1.00.

Please note that these travel arrangements are subject to possible price increases due to additional charges imposed by a supplier or government. You may be charged additional sums by Witte to offset increased fees, fuel surcharges, taxes, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets, and/or smaller group size. Before passing on an increase, Witte will use its best efforts to minimize the amount. If it is necessary to increase the tour cost, participants will be advised at final billing and provided with a summary of the contributing factors. Your signature below indicates consent to any post-purchase price increases.

Reservations and payments. To make reservations for this course, follow the application and payment procedures as outlined by DePaul University.

Credit cards cannot be accepted for this tour.

Cancellations and refunds per DePaul University.

Membership. Witte reserves the right to accept or reject any person as a member of the tour and to expel from the tour any participant whose conduct or condition is incompatible with the interest of the group.

Special flight arrangements. Approval is required from the Office of Mission and Values for any participant who would like to extend their travel beyond the return date. This opportunity is only available for a limited number of travelers and on a first-come basis. Additional travel costs plus the $75 special arrangements fee will be billed directly to the student. You will be contacted by Witte to let you know if the arrangements you requested are possible and to advise you of schedule options and costs. In the event of cancellation, the service fee and any nonrefundable portion of special air or land arrangements made for you will be added to the penalties noted under “Cancellations and Refunds.” Witte must receive requests for special flight arrangements at least 45 days prior to departure.

Special meal requests and food allergies. Note special meal requests and food allergies on your registration form. Witte cannot be responsible if special requests are not met but we will pass them on to the airlines, hotels and restaurants. If you have dietary restrictions or food allergies, be sure to carry your medications with you at all times. Also, discuss your special needs with your tour personnel and ask the wait staff about the foods you are served.

Mobility Concerns. Sightseeing on Witte tours almost always includes walking. Visits to historical places often mean climbing stairs and walking on uneven surfaces or cobblestones. Handicap accessibility is not always available. Witte tour personnel are not able to provide attendant services. Tour participants with special needs are strongly encouraged to travel with someone who can assist them. Consult your physician if you have any concerns about your ability to participate.

Final tour documents—including itinerary, hotel list, passenger list, flight schedules with departure instructions, and luggage tags—are sent about 10 days prior to departure. Flight tickets are usually made available at the airport at check-in time.

Responsibility. As the tour operator, Witte Travel & Tours will be responsible for supplying the services and accommodations outlined in the brochure as constituting the tour, except to the extent that such services cannot be supplied, wholly or partially, owing to circumstances beyond its control. In such cases, Witte Travel & Tours will use its best efforts to supply alternative services and accommodations, and no refunds will be granted provided that the alternatives are comparable to the original services and accommodations included in the tour cost. Witte Travel & Tours, its agents, sponsors, organizers and employees shall not be responsible for any injury, loss, damage, accident, delay, irregularity or expense arising from strikes, weather, sickness, acts of war or terrorism, governmental restrictions or regulations or from any act or omission on the part of any individual or company furnishing transportation, accommodations or any other services to the tour participants; nor shall Witte Travel & Tours be responsible for any injuries, death, damages, loss or delay in any means of transportation or by reason of any event beyond its actual control. Witte Travel & Tours reserves the right to make changes in the tour dates or itinerary routing should circumstances make such necessary. In case of insufficient participation, Witte Travel & Tours may cancel the tour. In the event of cancellation of the tour by Witte Travel & Tours, its liability will be limited to a refund in full of all monies paid by the participants. If available, Witte Travel & Tours will offer an alternative trip, which the participants may accept or reject. California Passengers: Witte Travel & Tours is licensed under the California Seller of Travel Act—registration number 201-3304-40. Witte Travel & Tours is a member of the National Tour Association, the mark of excellence in the group tour industry.

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