DePaul University
Senior Leadership
Vincentian Heritage Tour to France
Directed by
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(Meals included: B-breakfast, L-lunch, D-dinner)

01, MONDAY
Check in for the overnight flight to Paris, France!

02, TUESDAY
Bonjour! After passport control, proceed to the baggage
claim area and continue to the Arrival Hall. Father
Udovic and Joop Timmers, our driver/guide, will meet
us here and direct us to the waiting motorcoach for our
drive directly to the hotel for guaranteed early check-in.
Late afternoon, Father Udovic will give an orientation
tour of some of the famous landmarks, followed by our
welcome dinner. (D)

03, WEDNESDAY
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 1:00 p.m. lunch at a local
restaurant, we’ll visit the famous Hotel des Invalides.
The evening will be free with an independent dinner.
(B,L)

04, THURSDAY
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 lovely restaurant. Then we’ll 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)

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

06, Saturday Paris
This morning 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 afternoon and evening are free for independent exploration and dining. (B)

07, Sunday Paris
You may wish to attend Mass at the Daughters of Charity motherhouse or the Cathedral of Notre-Dame. The day is also yours to enjoy Paris and “do your own thing.” This evening we will all meet together for our farewell dinner. (B,D)

08, Monday Return
After one last delicious French breakfast, our driver/guide will take us to Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport. Here we’ll check in for our return flight back to the U.S. We hope the DePaul Senior Leadership Vincentian Heritage Tour has been a wonderful and meaningful experience! (B)
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