

Vincentian Heritage Tour of **FRANCE**



March 17 - 26, 2023

Summary of Trip

- Round-trip air transportation Chicago/Paris
- 10 days, 8 nights' accommodations in Paris
- Private motorcoach transportation with driver/guide
- Breakfast daily, three lunches and four dinners

Tour Highlights

- Visits to sites associated with St. Vincent de Paul, St. Louise de Marillac, and our global Vincentian family.
- Time to enjoy the beauty of Paris!
- Excursions outside of Paris, including:
 - Folleville and Amiens
 - Joigny and Fontainebleau



Tour Cost:

Round trip from Chicago, based on single occupancy

\$2,815	per person
\$2,015	Mission and Ministry Scholarship
\$800	Final cost to student

Register online at bookings.wittetravel.com
use booking code 031723DVOR
or complete and return the printed registration form.



DePaul's on-campus student COVID-19 vaccination and booster requirement includes the Student Leader Vincentian Heritage Tour.

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17, Friday Departure

The big day has arrived! This afternoon we will check in at Chicago O'Hare Airport for the overnight, transatlantic flight. (D – in flight)

18, Saturday Arrival, Paris

Upon arrival in Paris, we will collect our baggage and board our motorcoach. Then, we will be guided through the City of Light with a panoramic tour. Next, we will embark on a walking tour and visit to the iconic Notre Dame cathedral, a location Vincent and Louise would have frequented. After getting acquainted with the French capital, we will make our way to the Congregation of the Mission Motherhouse for check-in and some time to refresh. Before our group welcome dinner at a local restaurant, we will spend some time at the Vincentian Museum and the magnificent chapel with its reliquary containing St. Vincent's remains. (B – in flight, D)

19, Sunday Paris

Following breakfast at the Motherhouse, we will begin our day by following in the footsteps of Vincent and Louise. We will transfer by motorcoach to the Porte Saint-Denis – a distinct Parisian monument mimicking the iconic Arc de Triomphe. From here we will make our way on foot, stopping at Église Saint Laurent, the original burial site of St. Louise de Marillac, and ending at Saint-Lazare, the original motherhouse of the Congregation of the Mission. Then we will break into small groups for a time to explore Paris and connect with sites relevant to our own cultural identities. We will also shop for picnic contributions that we will bring to our group reflection and picnic under the Eiffel Tower later in the afternoon. The remainder of the evening will be free. (B, Picnic Late-Lunch)

20, Monday Paris > Folleville > Amiens > Paris

The theme of the day today is the beginning of the mission and The Vincentian Question– What Must be Done? A full-day excursion is planned from Paris to Folleville and Amiens traveling through the beautiful French countryside. The Congregation of the Mission had its

- ① Pont Neuf Bridge over river Seine, Paris
 - ② Louvre Museum, Paris
 - ③ Eiffel Tower, Paris
 - ④ Vincentian motherhouse, Paris
 - ⑤ Arc de Triomphe, Paris
- Cover: Church of Saint Sulpice, Paris



origins in a sermon given by St. Vincent in 1617 in the small parish church at Folleville. Upon arrival, coffee and refreshments will be served, followed by our visit to the church and chateau. Next we travel on to Amiens and enjoy a group lunch at Le Quai. We will 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. Late in the afternoon, we will return to Paris for an independent evening. (B, L)

21, Tuesday Paris

Today is all about St. Louise de Marillac, Rosalie Rendu and the Daughters of Charity. After breakfast, we will begin our journey through Louise's life starting at the Église Saint Gervais, then to the Église Saint Nicolas de Champs where Louise had her lumiere moment. We will visit the tomb of St. Louise de Marillac at the motherhouse of the Daughters of Charity and have an opportunity to connect with our global Vincentian family. After time for an independent lunch, we will travel by motorcoach to the Mouffetard district to learn about the life and work of Blessed

Rosalie Rendu, a Daughter of Charity who lived during the French Revolution. The last stop of the day will be the Montparnasse Cemetery to visit the grave of Rosalie Rendu and other Vincentian family members and reflect on the legacies we hope to leave behind. Dinner tonight will be independent. (B)

22, Wednesday Paris

Today we will enjoy an independent morning exploring Paris followed by an independent lunch. Then we will gather as a group to learn and discuss the question: What must be done, today? We will learn about the service and systemic change work of our Vincentian family at the Paris headquarters of Depaul France. Depaul France is part of an international Vincentian Charity established to end street homelessness. This evening we will gather for dinner and a time to discuss and reflect where we are at midweek. (B, D)



23, Thursday Paris > Joigny > Fontainebleau > Paris

Another wonderful full-day excursion is planned outside of Paris. We will travel south to the village of Joigny. After time to visit Vincentian sites such as Église St. Germain and La Danse Macabre, a group lunch is planned at Le Rive Gauche. Next, 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 and have a discussion on the Seeds of the Revolution. Back in Paris, the evening is free for independent dining. (B, L)



24, Friday Paris

Today's theme is: A Network of Charity - featuring Frederic Ozanam, a Vincentian family member who lived during the French Revolution. We'll start with visits to Saint Sulpice and the Jardin du Luxembourg. After time for an independent lunch, we will visit Blessed Frederic Ozanam's tomb and have a time of reflection about current social justice issues with local students. Next we travel on to the headquarters of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for a visit to the museum and to learn about their global service and systemic change efforts. This evening we will enjoy dinner as a group. (B, D)



25, Saturday Paris

Today we will discover Paris in terms of the city's exquisite culture, delicious culinary and fascinating economy. We'll start our day at a local French market, taking our time to explore and shop. After our visit there will be time for an independent lunch and afternoon before we meet this evening at the CM Motherhouse to walk together to a local restaurant for our final group meal. (B, D)

26, Sunday Return

This morning we will transfer to Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport, where we'll check in for our return flight home to Chicago. We are certain that the DePaul Student Leadership Vincentian Heritage Tour has been a wonderful and meaningful experience! (B)



- ① Fontainebleau
- ② Folleville
- ③ Cathedral of Notre Dame at Amiens
- ④ Joigny

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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 at the CM Vincentian Motherhouse based on single occupancy.

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

Tour Personnel. A multi-lingual driver/guide to accompany the group from arrival in Paris until departure. The driver/guide may be assisted by local guides as needed. Father Rybolt will serve as Vincentian lecturer and guide.

Sightseeing and admission fees in accordance with the itinerary. Itinerary is subject to change based on community partner availability.

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

The tour cost does not include passports, airline luggage fees if charged, portage of luggage, optional excursions, independent meals, COVID 19 testing if required, and any other items not mentioned as included.

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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 and current tariffs for air and land arrangements.

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 changes in 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 on the registration form indicates consent to any post-purchase price increases.

Reservations and payments. To make reservations on this tour, complete the Registration Form and return it as indicated. Reservations cannot be accepted over the telephone. Follow the payment procedures as outlined by DePaul University.

Credit cards cannot be accepted for this tour.

Cancellations and refunds per DePaul University.

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REGISTRATION FORM

DEPAUL UNIVERSITY STUDENT LEADERSHIP VINCENTIAN HERITAGE TOUR OF FRANCE

March 17 - 26, 2023

From Chicago, based on double occupancy

For office use only



Register online at bookings.wittetravel.com
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IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE YOUR FULL LEGAL NAME AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR PASSPORT.
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Passenger Details PRINT CLEARLY

First name _____ Middle ☐ I do not have a middle name _____ Last _____ Preferred First Name _____
☐ Male ☐ Female Birthdate mm____/ dd____/ yyyy____ Citizenship: ☐ U.S. ☐ Other _____
Known Traveler Number (if you have one) _____
Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____
Billing e-mail _____
School e-mail _____

Passport Status:

☐ Current ☐ I do not have a passport ☐ My passport has expired. I am renewing.
Passport Number _____ Expiration Date _____
(MM / DD / YY)

Dietary Needs:

☐ Vegan ☐ Low Sodium ☐ Vegetarian ☐ Diabetic ☐ Gluten free ☐ Other _____
Food allergies: _____
Mobility concerns: (walker, wheelchair, etc) _____
Medical _____

Mailing Address

Home
Street Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
During school year
Street Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Mail should be directed to the school address from mm____/ dd____/ yyyy____ to mm____/ dd____/ yyyy____

Emergency Contact

NOT TRAVELING WITH YOU _____ Phone (____) _____

Covid 19

Some destinations and attractions require proof of vaccines or a negative COVID test. Because requirements are constantly changing, Witte monitors each destinations' rules to help prepare your group to travel.

Please tell us if you are vaccinated. If applicable, list the following information about your COVID vaccination; Manufacturer (Pfizer, etc.) and the date of your shot(s) and booster shot if received.

☐ Yes, I am fully vaccinated. Manufacturer: _____ Date(s) of your shot(s): _____, _____ Date of your booster shot: _____
☐ No, I have not been vaccinated.

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Special Arrangements

The fee for special arrangements is \$75.

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.

Domestic Flight Connections from _____ to _____.

Special Air Arrangements: To spend additional time abroad, I/we would like to depart on _____ and return on _____.

If you are requesting special land arrangements (car rentals, hotels, rail, etc.), a staff member from Witte Travel will contact you for more details.

Signature

I have read, understand and accept the terms and conditions as outlined in the tour brochure. I acknowledge receipt of information about the Hazardous Materials and Price Increase Rules.

Signature of participant _____ Date _____

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