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Vincentian Heritage Tour of
FRANCE

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Directed by Rev. Edward R. Udovic, C.M., Ph.D.





Tour Cost

\$4,325 per person, round trip from Chicago based on double occupancy

Participant pays \$1,500

Department pays \$1,500

Balance* will be paid by the Division of Mission and Ministry

*Balance does not include optional additional charges such as upgrades, extensions, single supplement, travel protection, etc.

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07, FRIDAY
Folleville, Amiens, Paris

A full-day excursion with Fr. Udovic as 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, coffee and refreshments will be served, followed by our visit to the church. At 1:00 p.m. enjoy lunch together. 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)



- ① Cathedral of Notre Dame, Amiens
 - ② St. Sulpice, Paris
 - ③ Vincentian Motherhouse Chapel, Paris
 - ④ Eglise paroissiale Saint-Jean-Baptiste, Folleville
- Cover: Joigny

06, THURSDAY
Paris

A fascinating day is in store for us as Fr. Udovic gives us a tour of some of the Vincentian sites in Paris. Morning visits begin with the motherhouse of the Vincentians 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. We will also visit the nearby motherhouse of the Daughters of Charity and the burial place of Saint Louise de Marillac. Then on to the nearby church of St. Sulpice. After time for an independent lunch, Fr. Udovic will take the group on a walking tour of Vincentian sites beginning with the Place de la Bastille; we'll see the Visitation Chapel, the Place des Voges, St. Gervais, Ile St. Louis and end at the Ile de la Cité, where we'll also visit the archaeological dig under the parvis. The evening will be free with an independent dinner. (B)

08, SATURDAY
Paris

Joop will give us instructions on collecting the large suitcases for his long drive to Dax. He will be departing for Dax immediately after the morning tour. Everyone will need to keep a small carry-on with whatever you need until arrival in Dax on Monday. You are welcome to keep your large suitcase with you; however, you will need to be able to get your luggage on and off the train quickly. In the morning, with Fr. 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, and the churches of St. Laurent, Ste. Marguerite and Saint Nicolas-des-Champs. Our touring will be complete by early afternoon. (B)

AUGUST 2020

04, TUESDAY
Departure

The big day has arrived! This afternoon we'll meet at the Chicago O'Hare Airport to check in for the overnight, transatlantic flight to Paris. (D in-flight)

05, WEDNESDAY
Arrival, Paris

Bonjour! Welcome to France! Upon arrival in Paris, we'll meet Fr. Udovic and our tour manager/driver, Joop Timmers. We'll travel directly to the hotel for early check-in. Late afternoon, Fr. Udovic will give an orientation tour of some of the famous landmarks of Paris. After the tour, we'll have our Welcome Dinner. (B in-flight, D)



09, SUNDAY

Paris

The day is yours to enjoy Paris and “do your own thing.” The Paris Vision Tour service and other Parisian companies offer a variety of half- and full-day side trips to choose from, including such sites as Monet’s studio and gardens at Giverny, or the Palace of Versailles. (B)

10, MONDAY

Paris > Dax, St. Paul Les Dax

Early morning, a Parisian motorcoach will arrive at the hotel for the short transfer to the Paris Montparnasse Station. We have reserved seats on the train to Dax. Relax and enjoy the comfort of the TGV (high-speed train system). Late morning, we’ll already be in Dax, in the southwest corner of France. Joop will meet us at the station and we will have time for an independent lunch, followed by a short tour. Then we will drive seven kilometers north of Dax to visit the Berceau-de-St. Vincent de Paul (Cradle of St. Vincent de Paul), which was the saint’s birthplace. On the church square by the large oak, where Vincent kept his father’s flocks, is the house where Vincent was born. We will also visit the church containing the baptismal font where Vincent was baptized. From here we continue to our nearby hotel. After check-in, there will be time to relax before our 7:00 p.m. dinner together at the hotel. (B, D)

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11, TUESDAY

Dax > Toulouse > Carcassonne

We’ll get an early start today and travel east to Languedoc, one of the great old provinces of southern France. Our first stop will be the ancient city of Toulouse and its university, where St. Vincent studied and received his degree. After an independent lunch, we’ll continue east and slightly south. Our destination is Carcassonne, the greatest medieval fortress city of Europe. Tonight’s dinner is independent, and there are many fine restaurants within the walled city. (B)

12, WEDNESDAY

Carcassonne > Pont du Gard > Avignon > Lyon

We’ll again get an early start, as we need to cover quite a bit of distance. Most of our journey this morning will be via motorway. We’ll detour from the main road to visit Pont du Gard, the spectacular ancient Roman aqueduct. After this stop, we continue to the town of Avignon. Protected by its ramparts, the historic core of the city is a lively center for art and culture. For 68 years in the 14th century, it was the residence, first, of the seven French popes and

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then of three other anti-popes once Pope Gregory XI had returned to Rome. After time for an independent lunch and exploration, we’ll leave Avignon and again travel by the motorway north to the large city of Lyon. Following hotel check-in, we’ll have an independent dinner to sample the justifiably famous *cuisine Lyonnais*. (B)

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13, THURSDAY
Pérouges, Châtillon-sur-Chalaronne, Lyon

Following breakfast, we'll journey to the hilltop medieval village of Pérouges, where many outdoor scenes from the movie *Monsieur Vincent* were filmed. We next visit Châtillon-sur-Chalaronne—a lovely town with ramparts, a 15th-century covered market, and 11th-century castle ruins. Late morning, we'll visit the Gothic church where St. Vincent de Paul was pastor. Following this visit, we'll have our 1:00 p.m. lunch before returning to Lyon, where the remainder of the afternoon and evening will be free. (B, L)

14, FRIDAY
Lyon > Tournus > Beaune

After breakfast, we'll get back on the motorway and head north to the area of France known as Bourgogne. We will stop in Tournus to see the magnificently restored Romanesque church. We continue to the town of Beaune, which lies in the center of the Côte d'Or wine-producing area. After time for an independent lunch, we'll tour Hôtel-Dieu, built in the 15th century as a hospital. (This is typical of the hospitals that the church operated in the time of St. Vincent de Paul). In the museum here, we'll see the elaborate altarpiece of *The Last Judgment* by the Flemish artist Roger van der Weyden. Dinner will be at a Beaune restaurant. (B, D)

15, SATURDAY
Beaune > Joigny > Paris > Roissy

After visiting Beaune's famous farmers' market, we begin our journey back to the area around Paris. We'll stop in Joigny to visit some of the sites associated with St. Vincent. After our 1:30 p.m. closing gala lunch, we'll travel to Roissy-en-France, near the Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport. Food service is available at the hotel for independent dinner. (B, L)

16, SUNDAY
Return

After one last delicious French breakfast, Joop will drop us off at Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport for our return flight to Chicago. We are certain your Vincentian Heritage Tour of France has been richly rewarding — and lots of fun! (B, L in-flight)

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- ① Sign in Dax
 - ② Carcassonne
 - ③ Ancient Popes Palace, Saint-Benezet, Avignon
 - ④ Hôtel-Dieu, Beaune
 - ⑤ Pont Du Gard

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The cost of your tour includes:

Air transportation roundtrip 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. The identity of the carrier, which may include the carrier's code-share partner, will be assigned and disclosed in your final documents. 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 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. TGV (high speed train system) transportation from Paris to Dax on August 10 is included.

Accommodations in moderate first-class to standard first-class hotels based on two people sharing a room with private facilities. When hotels in these categories are not available, top-quality superior tourist-class properties are selected. **The supplement for single accommodations is \$710.** 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 with lunch and dinners as indicated in the itinerary. Dinners do not include beverages.

Tour Personnel. Rev. Edward Udovic and a driver/guide to accompany the group from arrival in Paris until departure. The driver/guide may be assisted by local guides as needed.

Sightseeing and admission fees in accordance with the itinerary.

Tippping 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 travel protection plan including luggage and trip cancellation coverage, 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>.

Optional travel protection. Witte recommends that you purchase a travel protection plan. For your convenience, Witte offers a travel protection plan designed by Traveler Insurance Services. This travel protection can be purchased at any time prior to making the final payment for your tour. **If plan is purchased within 15 days of initial trip deposit, pre-existing medical conditions are waived when full trip cost is insured and traveler is medically able to travel at the time of plan purchase.** The plan cost for the travel protection plan that applies to your tour will be noted in your brochure and on the registration form. 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. The plan cost for this travel protection plan is non-refundable after a 15-day review period.

Schedule of Coverages	Maximum Coverage Amount (up to the limits shown below)
Trip Cancellation	100% of Insured Trip Cost
Trip Interruption	150% of Insured Trip Cost
Trip Delay	.....\$750 (\$150/day)
Missed Cruise Connection	.....\$750
Baggage & Personal Effects	.....\$2,000
Baggage Delay	.....\$250
Equipment Delay	.....\$200
Emergency Medical & Dental Expense	.....\$50,000(\$500 dental sublimit)
Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation\$250,000
Accidental Death & Dismemberment\$250,000
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Documentation: Passports, Visas, and Travel Consent for Minors. All U.S. citizens are required to have a valid passport book to travel internationally. If you already have a passport book, check its expiration date now since the country visited on this tour requires passports to be valid for at least six 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 book 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.

When travelling domestically or internationally, the U.S. Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) advise that everyone carry at least two forms of acceptable identification in order to board a flight found <http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/acceptable-ids>. Examples: DHS-designated enhanced driver's license, U.S. Passport, a foreign government passport. The name, date of birth and gender that appears on the identification card must exactly match the same data listed on airline ticket(s) and booking records

Minor children traveling internationally without both parents are strongly encouraged to carry a notarized note signed by both parents stating that they have permission to travel without one or both of them. It has become increasingly necessary to possess such a note, and will save time if questions arise departing from the U.S. or to exit a foreign country. In order to download a sample minor consent form go to: <https://www.us-passport-service-guide.com/minor-travel-consent-form.html> The sample form is a guide only. Parents who share custody of their children should carry copies of the legal custody documents. Important note: Parents are responsible to contact the embassy of the country or countries the minor child will be visiting to confirm all travel entry and exit requirements, which may include obtaining additional notarized documentation.

HEALTH DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS. You are responsible to make absolutely certain to have the proper immunizations and required documentation of such immunizations before travel. Witte shall not assume responsibility for the accuracy of health requirements or vaccination documentation prior to departure or upon landing at the final destination. See your health practitioner for advice. Prior to travel, required inoculations, if any, must be recorded by your health practitioner on a valid vaccination certificate, and you must carry for proof of inoculation where required. If you are concerned about taking any medications or receiving certain inoculations, and adequate timing of such inoculations relative to your travel booking, consult your health practitioner BEFORE booking. Check the U.S. State Department websites <http://travel.state.gov> for relevant information relating to travel to specific destinations, the USA Centers for Disease Control <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list/> and the World Health Organization <http://www.who.int/en/> relating to health issues.

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.

Tour cost. The tour cost is based on a group of 35 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 below 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 application procedures and payment schedule as outlined by DePaul.

Credit cards cannot be accepted for this tour.

Cancellations and refunds. Witte must receive notice of cancellation in writing. Penalties are per person and will be based on the date of receipt, as follows:

More than 90 days before departure	.....\$200
Between 90 and 46 days before departure	.....\$400
Between 45 and 31 days before departure	.....\$2,100
30 or fewer days before departure	.....No refund

The service fee noted under "Special Flight Arrangements" and the nonrefundable portion of any special arrangements, or any other non-refundable arrangements made on behalf of the canceling participant, are also added to the above penalties. Allow two to four weeks for processing of refunds. Note that payments made by check are refunded by check to the person or organization that made the payments.

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.

Land-only participants. If you wish to make your own flight arrangements, contact Witte for the land-only cost at least 90 days prior to departure. Participants who make their own flight arrangements are strongly encouraged to coordinate their flight schedules with the group's flight schedule and to use the same airports. The group's airport transfers on the arrival and return days will be timed to the group's flight schedule. Land-only participants may need to arrange for their own airport transfers.

Contact Witte for information and costs on options for private transfers. Witte cannot be responsible for any inconveniences to land-only participants resulting from changes in the group's flight schedule. Participants who change their status to land-only less than 90 days prior to departure may be subject to penalties imposed by the airlines.

Domestic flight connections. Note on your registration form if you would like to fly to and from the international departure city. You will be contacted with schedule options and costs. Witte must receive requests for connecting flights at least 45 days prior to departure.

Special flight arrangements. Note on your registration form if you would like to extend your stay and/or depart from and/or return to another city. The number of passengers who can deviate from the group's flight schedule is restricted. You will be contacted to let you know if the arrangements you requested are possible and to advise you of schedule options and costs. Upon confirmation of your special arrangements, a nonrefundable service fee of \$75 per person will be added to your account along with any additional air or land costs that may apply. 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.

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Consult your physician if you have any concerns about your ability to participate.

Time away from the tour. Advise Witte in writing at least 45 days before departure if you plan to spend some time away from the tour. Wherever possible, you will be credited for missed hotel nights.

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.

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