Christ and the Cannonball: An Ignatian Year Pilgrimage to Spain

10 Days: May 13 - 22, 2022

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MADRID
ALBA DE TORMES
AVILA
BURGOS
LOYOLA PAMPLONA
JAVIER
SAN SEBASTIAN
ZARAGOZA
MANRESA
MONSERRAT
BARCELONA

$3934 FROM LOS ANGELES

(Air/land tour price is $3434 plus $500 gov’t taxes/airline surcharges)

LAND ONLY PRICE: $3314
DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

LOS ANGELES/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC
FRIDAY, MAY 13
Depart today from Los Angeles aboard your transatlantic jet flight for Madrid, arriving the following day.

ARRIVE MADRID
SATURDAY, MAY 14
Your exciting adventure begins as you arrive today in Madrid. Free time to rest or explore the Spanish capital. (D)

MADRID
SUNDAY, MAY 15
This morning on a tour of Madrid, see the white-trimmed 2,800-room Royal Palace and the exquisite gardens that surround it. Other highlights include the Puerta del Sol, Cervantes Memorial, the Plaza de Espana and the acacia-lined Castellana. Then visit the Prado Museum, housing a collection of masterpieces by Spain’s artists Velazquez, Goya and El Greco. Attend Mass at the Madrid Cathedral.
Your afternoon is at leisure to for exploring or shopping on your own. (B)

MADRID/ALBA DE TORMES/AVILA/MADRID
MONDAY, MAY 16
Today travel north to Alba de Tormes, one of the most important pilgrimage centers in Spain. See the Carmelite Convent where the preserved body of St. Teresa lies. Continue to the walled city of Avila, the birthplace and home of St. Teresa, the founder of the Order of the Carmelites. Visit the Monastery of the Incarnation, where Teresa entered Carmel, made her Solemn Profession, and lived for the next 25 years. Also, visit the foundation of the reform, St. Joseph Monastery. See the beautiful Plaza de Santa Teresa and other sites connected with her life before returning to Madrid for overnight. (B,D)

MADRID/BURGOS/SAN SEBASTIAN
TUESDAY, MAY 17
This morning, depart Madrid and drive north to Burgos, an important stop on the famous pilgrimage: El Camino de Santiago (The Way of Saint James). A city in the historic heart of Spain, Burgos served as one of the capitals of Castile and is the birthplace of El Cid, the 11th century hero. During a tour of the city visit the Cathedral of Burgos dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, a masterpiece of Spanish gothic architecture and an UNESCO World Heritage Site. Begun in the 13th century and completed in 1567, it is renowned for its immense size and unique architecture. You will also see the 12th century Las Huelgas Reales Monastery, the

TOUR FEATURES:
- Round trip airfare from Los Angeles
- $500 government taxes & airline surcharges
- Accommodations in first class/select hotels based on 2 persons sharing in twin-bedded rooms with private bath
- Breakfast daily plus 5 dinners
- Services of a professional bilingual (Spanish & English-speaking) tour director
- Comprehensive sightseeing throughout
- All admission fees, porterage and hotel service charges
- Transfers to/from airports by private motorcoach including meeting/assistance and porterage
- Masses where indicated in the itinerary, subject to availability.

Dear Friends,
May 20, 2021 marks the 500th anniversary of Ignatius de Loyola’s encounter with a cannonball on the battlefield of Pamplona, an event that brought with it a near-death experience and a lifelong adventure of conversion. The changes set in motion dramatically changed his direction and have reverberated down the centuries for the Church and the whole world.

Ignatius fell in love with the God who saves him and pledged to follow Christ whom he personally came to know, love, and follow more nearly day by day. This gritty human being ardently desired to share his life-altering experiences of God’s mercy and love with others, and he sought to disseminate one of the more powerful forms of spirituality whose promise seems more relevant now than ever.

This thoughtfully designed, ten-day pilgrimage offers you the opportunity to strengthen your faith, come to know Jesus more deeply, and discover how the Holy Spirit works in your life—together with an unforgettable exposure to the historic beauty of Spain and time for prayer, worship, and experiencing God’s nearness. As the pandemic recedes, join me, our excellent guides and fellow searchers for this opportunity of a lifetime.

Sincerely,
Father Allan

Avila
Cartuja of Miraflores and the medieval Arco de Santa Maria. Afterwards, continue to San Sebastian, a beautiful resort city located on the Bay of Biscay. (B,D)

SAN SEBASTIAN/LOYOLA(AZPEITIA)/SAN SEBASTIAN

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

Enjoy an early morning Mass. Following an orientation tour of San Sebastian, drive south to the Sanctuary of Loyola, birthplace of St. Ignatius. Located in the magnificent Basque hill country, Loyola’s serene beauty and peaceful landscape are said to have strongly contributed to the character of St. Ignatius. Visit the birthplace and castle home (Casa Santa) of St. Ignatius and also the medieval section of the town of Azpeitia; the church where he was baptized in 1491 as well as a site where he taught catechism. The sanctuary, castle, basilica and museum recount the important history of Ignatius and the Jesuit Order. Afterwards, return to San Sebastian for overnight. (B)

SAN SEBASTIAN/PAMPLONA/JAVIER/ZARAGOZA

THURSDAY, MAY 19

Depart San Sebastian this morning and stop in Pamplona, made famous by Hemingway and the annual running of the bulls. It was here during the Battle of Pamplona that Ignatius Loyola’s leg was shattered by a cannonball, an injury that would change the course of his life. Continue on to Javier. Visit the Javier Castle, a 10th century castillo strategically located between Navarra and Aragon and home to St. Francis Xavier. Francis was one of the first companions of St. Ignatius and apostle to the Indies and the first missionary to Japan. View the medieval “Dance of Death” painted on the walls of the chapel – the only remaining example in Spain. Next drive to Zaragoza, ancient capital of the kingdom of Aragon and birthplace of the famous painter Goya, located on Ebro River. Overnight in Zaragoza. (B,D)

ZARAGOZA/MANRESA/MONTSERRAT/BARCELONA

FRIDAY, MAY 20

Journey this morning to the town of Manresa for a brief visit. Manresa was a place of profound spiritual growth for Ignatius of Loyola. Many retreat houses throughout the world are rightly named after this town. Ignatius spent about a year and a half here where he served the poor, prayed and did penance in a cave by the River Cardener. His experiences, visions and insights here profoundly altered the course of his life, and led him to write most of his Spiritual Exercises. Visit the cave of St. Ignatius, where you will celebrate mass. Also, see the Hospital of St. Lucy where Ignatius worked and the adjoining chapel where he had his 8-day rapture.

Continue to the dramatically set 12th century Benedictine Archabbey of Montserrat. Perched high on sheer rock rising abruptly from the Catalonian plain, it is the spiritual heart of Catalonia. Ignatius was drawn to this Marian shrine, as millions of pilgrims have been for over 700 years. Visit the Royal Basilica where you will see the venerated 6th century statue of the Black Madonna, Our Lady of Montserrat. After making a confession that lasted three days, it was here before the Black Madonna that Ignatius laid his sword and exchanged his fancy clothes with a beggar in March of 1522. Following plenty of free time for further exploration of the monastery, drive to Barcelona and your hotel for overnight. (B,D)

BARCELONA

SATURDAY, MAY 21

Barcelona is the cultural and political center of Catalonia and Spain’s most European city. The city itself is divided into two major parts: the older area symbolized by the Gothic Quarter and the more modern part with its wide avenues. This morning, enjoy a city tour including a visit to the Gothic Quarter. See the Gothic palaces of the Government of Catalonia and the City Hall, the world-famous Cathedral with its fine medieval cloister and arcades. Next, enjoy a guided tour inside and outside of the La Sagrada Familia Church designed by the Catalonian architect Antoni Gaudi. Begun in 1882, the church is still under construction today. The afternoon is at leisure to further explore this magnificent city on your own. You may wish to do more sightseeing, shopping or perhaps take time to relax and try some tapas at a sidewalk café. (B)

BARCELONA/LOS ANGELES

SUNDAY, MAY 22

Enjoy an early morning mass, time permitting. Afterwards check out of your hotel. All too soon you must say goodbye as you transfer to the airport in time for your return flight back home to Los Angeles, arriving the same day. (B)

(B) ~ Breakfast    (D) ~ Dinner

Sagrada Familia ~ Barcelona
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- A $500 deposit is due with your reservation
- Final payment is due at NAWAS 100 days prior to departure date

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- Land Costs: Based on estimated 2022 tariffs, overseas government taxes and rates of exchange in effect on March 30, 2021 and a minimum of 33 or more participants per coach.

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