



# Fatima – Fr Ryan Browning – St Thomas More

*with Pilgrim Travel Co.*

 2495 Fátima, Portugal

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# Trip Overview

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Your host

Pilgrim Travel Co. 

 Jan 25 – Feb 2, 2024

 Group size: 15-41

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## About this trip

Fatima is one of the most visited Marian pilgrimage sites in the world. It was here in 1917 that Francisco, Jacinta and Lucia received visits from our Blessed Mother on the 13th day of each month between May and October. Aside from being a site known for miracles and Marian apparitions, it is also held dear as a gathering place for pilgrims the world over. Many popes such as Popes Pius XII, Paul VI, John Paul II and Benedict XVI have acknowledged Our Lady of Fatima as a pilgrimage site and allowed for her veneration. Preceding your time in Fatima, you will also visit the tomb of Saint James in the magnificent Cathedral of Santiago in Galicia (the final stop on the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage), the towns of Leon, Avila and Lisbon.

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## What's included

✓ Airfare	Flights provided by American Airlines
✓ Ground Transportation	Luxury touring bus
✓ Guided Touring	Professionally guided tours in English
✓ Venue Tickets	To all sites and tours
✓ Breakfast and Dinner	Provided daily with special traditional welcome and farewell dinners
✓ Travel Protection Plan	Basic medical insurance coverage
✗ Trip cancellation Ins.	We strongly suggest you purchase trip cancelation insurance
✗ Trip extensions	Pilgrim Travel is not responsible for any additional expenses for extended stays due to personal or medical reasons
✗ Personal expenses	Personal expenses outside of what is described in the itinerary
✗ Gratuities	Pilgrim Travel will collect a one-time payment of \$100 per person prior to departure to cover tips for our guides, driver and hotel staff.

# Packages & Options

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## Available packages

Double Occupancy with Air Transportation	<b>\$4000</b>
Available until Nov 17, 2023	Deposit: \$0

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Single Occupancy with Air Transportation	<b>\$4500</b>
Available until Nov 17, 2023	Deposit: \$0

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Double Occupancy LAND ONLY	<b>\$3000</b>
	Deposit: \$0

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Single Occupancy LAND ONLY	<b>\$3500</b>
	Deposit: \$0

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# Itinerary

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## Day 1 Depart Chicago O'Hare Airport

Depart Chicago O'Hare Airport for a quick stop in Newark before leaving on a direct flight to Lisbon. Our flight is on United Airlines and is currently scheduled to depart Chicago at 2:15pm. You are responsible for arriving at the airport on your own unless St Thomas More organizes bus transportation for the group. We suggest you arrive 2.5 hours before departure.



## Day 2 - Lisbon Arrive in Portugal and explore Lisbon

After arriving and clearing customs in Portugal, we will meet our guide and begin touring this beautiful, coastal capital city and celebrate Holy Mass. After a long day of travel, you will have an opportunity to rest or explore the local sites on your own before our welcome dinner.

Evening: Dinner and overnight accommodations at the hotel



## Day 3 - Galicia Lisbon / Porto / Santiago de Compostela

After breakfast in the hotel, we start our drive to Santiago de Compostela with a tour in the town of Porto. Here we will visit the Porto Cathedral for Holy Mass and take in the beautiful architectural mix of the Gothic and Baroque styles. After lunch, we finish our drive north to Santiago where we will check in our hotel and have the opportunity to explore local sites before dinner at the hotel.

Evening: Dinner and overnight accommodations at the hotel



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## Day 4 – The Camino Santiago de Compostela

After breakfast, our guide takes us on a full-day tour of Santiago de Compostela. We will walk the last kilometers of the El Camino until we reach the Cathedral of St James, where we will celebrate Holy Mass. While here we will have the opportunity to visit the crypt of Santiago before returning to our hotel for dinner.

Evening: Dinner and overnight accommodations at the hotel

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## Day 5 – Leon Leon / Avila

After breakfast at the hotel, we head to Leon. We will visit the Cathedral, the best example of classical French style Gothic architecture in Spain and place of rest of the medieval monarchs of Leon. After lunch, we head to Avila. On arrival we will check into our hotel and head to the Cathedral for Holy Mass followed by a walking tour of the Old Town of Avila. There will be some free time for touring on your own before dinner at the hotel.

Evening: Dinner and accommodations at the hotel

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## Day 6 – Avila Touring the old city

After breakfast, we continue our tour of the city. Along with seeing the Cathedral from a different vantage point, we will visit the Convento de Santa Teresa de Jesus. The tour continues to the Plaza de Santa Teresa de Jesus and the reliquary along with several other local sites. We will enjoy lunch and Holy Mass in this beautiful medieval city before returning to our hotel for dinner.



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Evening: Dinner and accommodations at the hotel

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## Day 7 – Ciudad Rodrigo   Ciudad Rodrigo / Fatima

After breakfast and checkout, we drive to Ciudad Rodrigo considered to be one of the most beautiful cities in Spain. We will tour the Cathedral, museum and cloister. We will celebrate Holy Mass here and enjoy lunch before returning to the bus for our final and pilgrimage focal point, Fatima. Once in Fatima we will check-in our hotel and relax before dinner.

Evening: Dinner and accommodations at the hotel.



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## Day 8 – Fatima   Chapel of Apparitions / Valinhos / Stations of the Cross

After breakfast, we begin our day with Holy Mass in the Chapel of Apparitions. This is followed by a tour of the Fatima Sanctuary where Pope Francis canonized Francisco and Jacinta in 2017. We then head to the village of Aljustrel, where the children lived during the apparitions. Finally, we head to Calinhos where Our Lady first appeared on August 19, 1917. Finally, in the evening we will join other pilgrims in praying the Stations of the Cross along the Via Sacra, site of the first Apparition. We then adjourn to the hotel for our farewell dinner.



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Evening: Dinner and accommodations at the hotel.

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## Day 9 Return to Chicago Fatima / Lisbon/ Chicago

After breakfast, we head back to the Lisbon airport for our flight back to Chicago.

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# Your organizer

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