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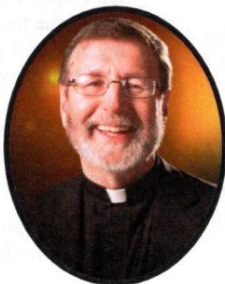
Pilgrimage to EWTN

6 Days October 7-12, 2024

This Pilgrimage to Birmingham features a full day at EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network) . . . Plus a visit to The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament . . . as well as Ave Maria Grotto where a young Benedictine Monk carved famous scenes of the Christian World in miniature.

Tour Highlights:

- Wiederkehr Winery Tour & Tasting
- Tour of Subiaco Abbey & Private Mass
- Visit Ave Maria Grotto w/Lunch
- Vulcan Park & Museum
- Visit EWTN and enjoy the following:
 - Chapel Adoration, Studio Tour,
 - Catered Dinner, EWTN Live Show
- Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament including:
 - Spiritual Talk with Franciscan Friar,
 - Private Mass, Rosary with the Nuns,
 - John Paul II Eucharistic Tour, Free Time
- Free Time on Beale Street
- March of the Ducks at the Peabody Hotel
- Memphis Riverboat Dinner Cruise
- Five Nights First Class Lodging
- Five Breakfasts, Four Lunches, Five Dinners
- All Taxes & Tips on these services
- Luggage Handling (as available)
- Motorcoach Transportation & Driver's Gratuity
- Professional Tour Escort



Per Person Prices:

\$1,995 DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

\$1,895 TRIPLE...\$1,795 QUAD...\$2,495 SINGLE

\$200 per person deposit due with reservation

Final Payment due by August 15, 2024

(Make checks payable to US Tours)

Cancellation Waiver is Available

\$120 per person Double, Triple & Quad Occupancy

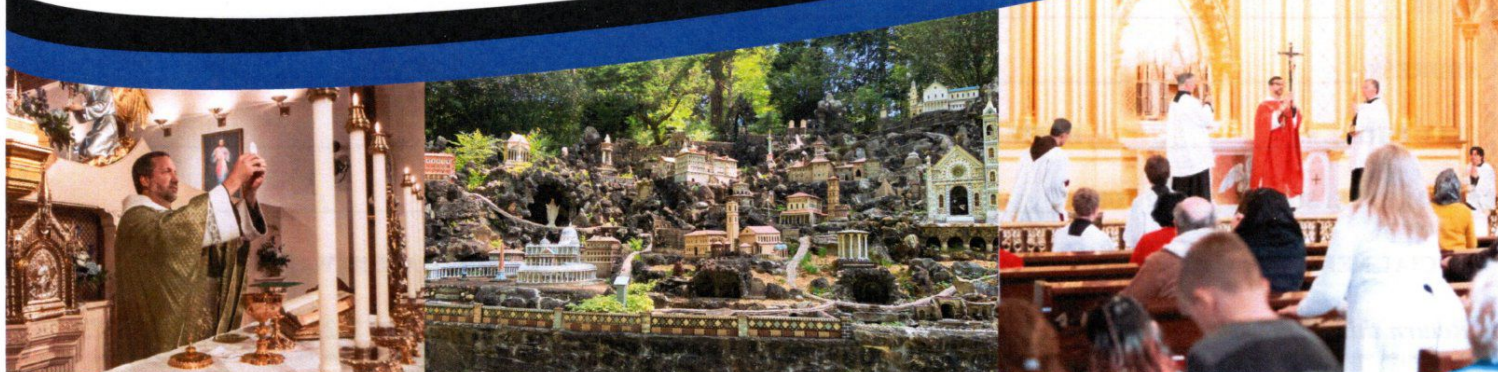
\$150 per person Single Occupancy

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Day 1 – Little Rock AR – Wiederkehr Wine Cellars Tour, Tasting & Lunch - Tour of Subiaco Abbey & Private Mass - Today, travel to Little Rock, AR. Start with a tour, tasting and lunch at Wiederkehr Wine Cellars Tour. Discover the Swiss winemaking heritage of the oldest and largest winery in mid-America. Located atop St. Mary's Mountain, the Wiederkehr family carries on a tradition begun in 1880. Lovingly tended vineyards surround the winery, designed in the Swiss alpine style overlooking the Arkansas River valley. You will enjoy a tour, tasting and lunch!

Next, tour the Subiaco Abbey and enjoy a Private Mass. The Subiaco Abbey is a Roman Catholic monastery founded in 1878 AD as part of the missionary efforts of the Archabbey of St. Meinrad in Indiana (founded 1854 AD) and the Archabbey of Maria Einsiedeln in Switzerland (founded in 934 AD). They are located on 1,800 acres nestled in the foothills of the Ouachita mountains of Arkansas. They take the ancient monastic vows of stability, conversatio morum (ongoing conversion to the monastic way of life), and obedience. Preferring nothing whatsoever to Christ, they dedicate themselves, under the Rule of St. Benedict and an Abbot, to strive to support one another in community, to serve God, the Church, and the larger society. Enjoy a Private Mass here today. End the day by checking into the Courtyard by Marriott for the night. Dinner is included this evening at a local restaurant. (L,D)

Day 2 - Ave Maria Grotto w/ Lunch – Birmingham, AL – Vulcan Park & Museum – Departing Little Rock this morning, travel to Alabama with your first stop today at the Ave Maria Grotto. Start with lunch at The Retreat Center. Then you have time for Mass before touring the sculpture gardens. The Ave Maria Grotto, home to the fruitful labor of Brother Joseph Zoettl, OSB. Br. Joseph was a Benedictine monk of St. Bernard Abbey. Originally from Landschutt, Bavaria-Germany, a young Br. Joseph found himself headed to America to pursue monastic life at Alabama's only Benedictine Abbey. Little did anyone know that this young Bavarian would end up leaving the abbey its greatest legacy and in an incredibly humble way. The former abbey quarry is now the 4 acre park that the Grotto and surrounding miniatures rest upon. From Monteserrat to St. Peter's Basilica, enjoy this labor of love and hopefully go away realizing how small acts of love, no matter how seemingly insignificant, can be so fruitful for years to come.

Arriving in Birmingham this afternoon, visit the Vulcan Park & Museum. Vulcan is the world's largest cast iron statue; made of 100,000 pounds of iron and 56 feet tall, he stands at the top of Red Mountain overlooking the city of Birmingham. But Vulcan is more than just a statue—Vulcan Park and Museum features spectacular views, and an interactive history museum that examines Vulcan and Birmingham's story. Then check into the Drury Inn for a three-night stay. Dinner is included this evening. (B,L,D)

Day 3 - Chapel at EWTN for Daily Adoration - Lunch at the Original Whistle Stop Café - Studio Tour of EWTN – EWTN Live Show w/Dinner – After breakfast, the day starts with Chapel at EWTN for Daily Adoration. Lunch is included today at the Original Whistle Stop Café, made famous in the movie, Fried Green Tomatoes.

Today also features a Studio Tour of EWTN where you will meet some of your favorite EWTN hosts, and hear from EWTN leaders about the networks vision for the future. This evening, enjoy a catered dinner on the grounds of EWTN Studios followed by a EWTN Live Show broadcast with Fr Mitch Pacwa. (B, L, D)

Day 4 - Spiritual Talk with Franciscan Friar – Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament – Rosary with the Nuns – John Paul II Eucharistic Tour – Adoration/Confession - Private Mass – This peaceful day of retreat begins at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, AL. The Shrine was built by Mother Angelica, a Poor Clare Nun, in response to the Child Jesus' request that she build Him a "Temple." Here, the Poor Clare Nuns keep a constant prayer vigil before the Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. They invite people from all walks of life and faith to see what the Lord has accomplished here and join them in prayer. The Shrine consists of: Cloistered monastery, beautiful Upper and Lower Churches, replica of the Shroud of Turin, Stations of the Cross, religious statues and paintings, near life-sized Nativity scene, and Castle, which houses the Gift Shop.

Today includes time for a Spiritual Talk with Franciscan Friar and chance to say the Rosary with the Nuns. Lunch is also included today at the Shrine. Enjoy the John Paul II Eucharistic Tour where Pilgrims can experience an interactive encounter with the teachings of the Catholic Church on the Eucharist.

There will be some free time this afternoon for you to enjoy strolling the grounds or to visit the gift shop. You can choose to take Confession or to take time for yourself. A private mass will also be included today at the Shrine. Returning to Birmingham, dinner is included this evening at a local restaurant. (B, L, D)

Day 5 – Memphis, TN - Free Time on Beale Street – March of the Peabody Ducks – Memphis Dinner Cruise – Today, travel to Memphis, TN. Enjoy some free time today on Beale Street in Memphis - The Official Home of the Blues. Lunch is on your own with a choice of many great restaurants.

The afternoon also includes the March of the Ducks at the Peabody Hotel. The Peabody's famed ambassadors are housed in the "Duck Palace" on the hotel roof. Every day at 11 a.m., they are led by the Duckmaster down the elevator to the Italian travertine marble fountain in the Peabody Grand Lobby. A red carpet is unrolled and the ducks march through crowds of admiring spectators to the tune of John Philip Sousa's King Cotton March. The ceremony is reversed at 5 p.m., when the ducks retire for the evening to their palace on the roof of the hotel.

Check into the Holiday Inn on Beale Street for the night. Tonight, enjoy a Memphis Riverboat Dinner Cruise on the Mississippi River. See the sights & sounds of the river and while enjoy live music and a delicious meal. (B, D)

Day 6 - Depart for Home - This morning you board the coach one last time and start for home. (B)

Reservation Form for Pilgrimage to EWTN, Oct 7-12, 2024

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

CELL PHONE #: _____ HOME PHONE #: _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

ROOM TYPE: SINGLE _____ DOUBLE _____ TRIPLE _____ QUAD _____ ROOMING WITH: _____

SPECIAL NEEDS (ROOM AND/OR DIETARY): _____ CANCELLATION WAIVER: _____ YES _____ NO _____

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