

**Our Lady of Pity Church
Presents a
Jubilee Pilgrimage to Germany**

Visiting Cologne, Aachen, Koblenz, Vallendar, Heidelberg,
Ettal, Oberammergau, Innsbruck & Munich

**Spiritual Director
Rev. Thomas Devery**

July 7th – 16th, 2014

YOUR TRIP INCLUDES:

- Round trip air from Newark
- First Class Hotels
- Breakfast & Dinner Daily (except in Heidelberg where dinner is on your own)
- Farewell Dinner at the Hofbrauhaus
- Air-conditioned motor coach
- English speaking guide
- Sightseeing as per itinerary
- Porterage of one piece of luggage at hotels
- All taxes and service charges
- Daily Mass and Rosary

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Cathedral of Cologne to see the Relics of the Three Magi
- Cathedral of Aachen to see the Cloak of the Virgin Mary and the Swaddling Clothes of the Infant Jesus
- Cruise on the Rhine River
- Visit the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress
- 100th Anniversary with the Sister in Schoenstatt
- Tour of Heidelberg
- Tour of Innsbruck
- Tour of Munich

**Tour Price: \$ 3,569.00 per person Double/Triple
Single Supplement \$ 750.00**



ITINERARY:

Mon, July 7th: Newark/Frankfurt

Depart Newark airport on your overnight flight to Frankfurt. Dinner served in flight.

Tue, July 8th: Frankfurt/Cologne

Upon arrival in Frankfurt we are transferred to **Cologne**. After time to rest we visit *Cologne Cathedral*. Dedicated to St. Peter and Our Lady, Cologne Cathedral is the seat of the Catholic Archbishop of Cologne. Cologne Cathedral is the greatest Gothic cathedral in Germany and has been Cologne's most famous landmark for centuries. Cologne Cathedral stands on the site of a 4th century Roman temple. Construction of the present Gothic church began in the 13th century and took, with interruptions, more than 600 years to complete. The new structure was built to house *the relics of the Three Magi*, taken from Milan by Holy Roman Emperor Frederick Barbarossa and given to the Archbishop of Cologne, Rainald von Dassel in 1164. After our visit we check into our hotel.

Wed, July 9th: Aachen/Koblenz

Today we visit **Aachen**. *Aachen Cathedral* was commissioned by Charlemagne in 786 AD. The unique cathedral has a round nave and notable Byzantine influences, and its treasury includes the *coronation throne of the Holy Roman Emperors*. The cathedral is also home to *impressive holy relics* collected by Charlemagne — *including the Cloak of the Virgin Mary, the Swaddling Clothes of the Infant Jesus, the loin-cloth worn by Christ on the Cross and the cloth on which lay the head of St. John the Baptist after his beheading*. When Charlemagne died in 814, he was buried in the chapel's choir. In 1000 AD, Emperor Otto III had Charlemagne's vault opened. It is said his body was found in a remarkable state of preservation, seated on a marble throne, dressed in imperial robes, with his crown on his head, the Gospels lying open in his lap, and his scepter in his hand. A large mural representing Otto and his nobles gazing on the dead Emperor was painted on the wall of the great room in the Town Hall. Charlemagne's remains were again disturbed around 1349, when a revival of interest in relics, and especially those of Charlemagne, led to the creation of two separate reliquaries to display some of the bones. Charles IV commissioned the Reliquary of Charlemagne (with his thigh bone) and the Bust of Charlemagne (with his skull), which can both be seen in the Treasury. *2014 is a Pilgrimage Year* in Aachen. Only once every seven years the Cathedral's most precious relics are brought out. 2014 will mark the 1200th anniversary of the death of Charlemagne. On June 19th, the German President will open three special exhibitions dedicated to Charlemagne. One of them, VERLORENE SCHAETZE (Lost Treasures) will be held in the Cathedral Treasure Chamber. From the magnificent treasures to the gold ceilings and stained glass windows this small gem is among the best in Europe. After our visit we continue to **Koblenz**.

Thu, July 10th: Koblenz - The city of Koblenz is famous for its position on the middle Rhine *where the Rhine River and the Mosel River meet*. Today we board our *River Boat* and we are immediately taken by the beauty around us. We go in the direction of the Upper Rhine best known for its' castles and we will be in awe of these mighty fortresses. When we return to Koblenz, we will visit the *Ehrenbreitstein Fortress*. Again we experience the beauty of the Rhine from the ramparts of the Fortress. After our visit we take the cable car back down to the city or we can make our way down on foot.

Fri, July 11th: Vallendar - Today we spend our day celebrating the **100th Anniversary with the Sister in Schoenstatt**. After breakfast we make the short journey to **Marienau** to celebrate *Mass in the Original Shrine*. After Mass we have a *Guided Tour of the Valley*. We return to Marienau for lunch. In the afternoon we visit the *Fr. Kentenich House*. After our visit we walk to the *Adoration Church* to visit the *Founders Chapel and the Tomb of Fr. Kentenich*. Next we visit the *Adoration Sisters House Chapel for Silent Adoration*. Late afternoon we go to **Maria Laach** for *Vespers*. We end our day with a *Blessing in the Original Shrine*

Sat, July 12th: Koblenz/Heidelberg - Morning departure to **Heidelberg**. Heidelberg will greet you with pretty Renaissance buildings, framed by vivid green hills on both sides of the River Neckar.

Heidelberg Castle perches over the city, and a visit to its famous ruins will undoubtedly be a highlight of your tour. The evocative castle was created as a combination of several buildings clustered around a courtyard, each one representing different styles of German architecture. The castle is home to many interesting artifacts, including the famous *Heidelberg Wine Barrel* that boasts a capacity of more than 51 US gallons (193 liters) of wine!

You'll then take a walk around *Heidelberg's medieval Old Town* to see the famous *Old Bridge* (Karl Theodor Bridge), the beautiful *Church of the Holy Spirit* and *Heidelberg University*. After our tour we check into our hotel. Dinner on your own this evening.

Sun, July 13th: Heidelberg/Ettal/Oberammergau

Morning departure to Oberammergau. En route we stop at **Ettal** to visit Ettal Abbey. The monastery is a masterpiece of rococo architecture. It was originally founded in 1330 by the King of Bavaria Ludwig IV. The abbey is unique in Germany due to its polygonal shape. The architect Enrico Zucalli created the facade and choir at the beginning of the 18th century. Ettal remains a working Benedictine Monastery to this day. The monastery has its own distillery shop. After our visit, we continue to **Oberammergau**. We tour the town of Oberammergau, which is best known for the most famous Passion Play in the world. The play, which is enacted every ten years, is an all-day performance put on by the people of Oberammergau in thanksgiving for being spared during the great plague. There was a performance in 2010. The next performance will be in 2020. After our tour we are free to explore Oberammergau on our own. Visit the local craft shops and just enjoy a relaxing day in this beautiful Bavarian town

Mon, July 14th: Innsbruck

Morning departure to **Innsbruck**. Upon arrival we have a panorama of the city and an opportunity to shop in the old town. This delightful city will take your breath away. After our visit we return to Oberammergau.

Tue, July 15th: Munich – Morning departure to Munich. Upon arrival in **Munich** you will have a *City Tour*. During your walk through the ancient city of Munich you will see: the *Marienplatz* lined by the Old and the New Town Hall, the delightful carillon, the *Frauenkirche* (cathedral), the *Old Residence* (a former imperial palace) with its *Monkey Tower*, the *Hofbräuhaus*, *St. Peter's* (the oldest church of Munich), the *Town Clerk House*, the *Old Mint*, the *Platzl* alleyways and the *Asamkirche*, one of the finest Rococo style churches of the world. Marienplatz is the heart of the city of Munich. In the middle ages, the square was used as a market place as well as the place where tournaments and festivities took place. The square was originally known as Schrammeln but it was renamed Marienplatz (St. Mary's Square) as a way to ask Virgin Mary to protect the town from a cholera epidemic. At 11 AM, 12 Noon and 5 PM each day, visitors can watch the famous Glockenspiel or carillon. The figures perform the Schäffertanz or cooper's dance, which was originally performed in 1517 at the Marienplatz to commemorate the end of the plague. This evening we have a *Farewell Dinner at the Hofbrauhaus where we experience German Beer and Bavarian Music*.

Wed, July 16th: Munich/USA Morning departure to Munich airport for our return flight to the USA.

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