

MaryTV Medjugorje Pilgrimage!

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Join Denis and Cathy and the MaryTV team in Medjugorje for a week of pilgrimage.

When?

November 6 -- 16, 2015.

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Where?

Medjugorje!!! Located about an hour inland from the Dalmatian coast, Medjugorje is a quiet village nestled between the mountains of Hercegovina. Pilgrims converge, leaving their well---structured lives for a time, to open themselves to God and surrender to him all their difficulties and crosses, so God may turn everything into joy!

What's included?

- Round trip airfare from city of departure to Sarajevo
- Bus transfer from Sarajevo airport to/from Medjugorje
- room for 9 nights in Medjugorje at Villa Mia, located right next to St. James Church! (Based on double occupancy. Single room \$200 extra.)
- breakfast and dinner daily in Medjugorje
- local guide in Medjugorje

How much?

\$1,060 USD p/p PLUS the price of airfare.

Internet prices for airfare will help keep the cost for the pilgrimage as low as possible. Internet pricing changes daily, so call ASAP (574---335---9952) to get the lowest rates.

Sample total cost: \$1400(sample airfare) + \$1060(land portion) = \$2460 (This is a sample, and in no way represents actual total cost. Total cost will be completely dependent upon airfare.)

Payment will be due in two stages: 1. airfare and 2. land portion.

---Airfare will be done at the time of reserving your spot. This payment will be made directly to the airline.

---Land portion (\$1,060) will be due by August 6, 2015. This payment will be paid to MaryTV. (Can be paid earlier)

How can I sign up?

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Space is limited!!!! Spots will be reserved only when flights are purchased, on a first come, first serve basis. Must show MaryTV proof of Airline Ticket Purchase.

(Purchasing and fulfillment of all airline travel is between the individual and the airline or airlines. MaryTV assumes no responsibility in the case of missed or canceled air travel --- see item 4 below). Again, purchasing of airline tickets secures each pilgrims spot. Call Mike ASAP with questions or to purchase tickets!

What will we do in Medjugorje?

Sample daily itinerary:

8:00am Breakfast at the pension

10:00am English Mass in St. James

11:00am Meet with guide and commence on the days outing (one of the mountains or a talk by priest or possibly visionary)

2:00pm break for lunch at nearby restaurants

3:00---5:00pm rest/free time

5:00pm Evening Program at St. James 5:00pm

Rosary, Joyful and Sorrowful Mysteries 6:00pm

International Mass

7:00pm Creed followed by 7 Our Fathers, 7 Hail Marys, 7 Glory Bes, Glorious Mysteries

8:00pm Dinner at the pension

Just a few tips for our Pilgrimage!

Surrender. Fr. Svet says in his book entitled Pilgrimage, "A pilgrimage is a journey, assigned by God. It brings the pilgrim not only to a physical place, but out of himself, and into the presence of God. All else falls away. There is only the child, his Father, and eternity..."

Set your preconceptions and expectations aside and place yourself completely into God's hands. "Lord, do with me what You will!!!"

Some practical items, PLEASE READ!:

1. Baggage

You are allowed 1 checked bag. Additional checked bags will incur a fee.
<http://www.united.com/CMS/en---US/travel/Pages/BaggageChecked.aspx>

You are allowed 1 carry on bag and 1 purse (or small backpack)
<http://www.united.com/CMS/en---US/travel/Pages/BaggageCarry---On.aspx>

Pack toiletries and one change of clothes in your carry on. Sometimes checked luggage misses a connection. In that case, it is usually delivered to our Pension within a few days of arrival.

Carry on luggage can only contain 3.4-ounce bottles of liquid in a single quart sized ziplock bag. Any other liquids will not be allowed through security checkpoints at the airports. More info in the link above...

2. Packing

Plan for mild to cool days, and colder evenings. Temperature will be temperate during the day (50s and 60s), cooler at night (probably in the 40s). There is a laundry facility about a 10 minute walk from our Pension (yeehaw!), however plan on bringing enough clothing to get you through the trip.

Loose fitting, comfortable clothing is best. Add or remove layers for your comfort. Definitely bring a jacket! Tank tops, mini skirts and shorts are not for Church. Ladies can cover shoulders at the Church and the religious sites with a scarf, sarong or shawl if need be. This won't be a problem at this time of year. Modest dress is important though. The evening program and the 10am English Mass will be in the Church where pants or skirts are preferred. I wear Travex pants from Eddie Bower. AWESOME moisture wicking fabric, super light and

breathable, and the legs zip off to become shorts. Jeans, slacks, capris, skirts, dresses etc are all perfectly acceptable as well.

If you are purchasing new shoes for this pilgrimage, make sure you break them in before hand. I wear comfortable leather sandals and comfortable leather shoes. If there is rain and mud, leather cleans very easily. However sneakers, walking/running shoes, etc all work very well too. We will be doing a lot of walking. For those who may need them, taxis are 8 USD to anywhere in Medjugorje. The fare can be split between passengers.

3. Misc items you might consider...

poncho

sun glasses

wide brimmed hat

small flash light

foam mat to sit or kneel on outside (available in Medj)

Magnificat (for Mass readings in English)

VERY IMPORTANT: small AM/FM radio with earbuds for translations _

camera

advil lip

balm

adapter/converter (They use 210 at 50 cycles. US uses 110 DC. Purchase an adapter kit at Walmart or radio shack)

Hair Dryer (there are no hair dryers provided at the pension)

Travel size toiletries

sunscreen hygiene

items bandages

dramamine

journal

granola bars, trail mix, etc for layovers...

4. Travel (IMPORTANT)

Please arrive at your departing airport at LEAST 2 and a half hours before your scheduled departure. If your flight is cancelled or delayed it is imperative that you work DIRECTLY with the airlines at the airport to arrange for alternate flights. (Air travel ticketing is between you and the airlines. MaryTV assumes no responsibility for missed or canceled flights.) It is important to remember that it is not the airline agents fault, so try your best to remain courteous to them, yet remember, the squeaky wheel gets the grease, so be persistent as you may find that you receive more assistance this way. If it is the airlines fault, they will re---route

you to your destination. If your itinerary changes causing you to miss our bus (Sarajevo to Medjugorje), I will arrange an alternate transfer for you. I will check with the airline for your adjusted arrival time when I reach Sarajevo. You will have to reimburse MaryTV for your private transfer. You should be able to get a refund from the airline when back in the USA. The majority of us will be on similar itineraries, so there shouldn't be a problem. Remember, if you need assistance during the air travel portion of your trip, work directly with the airline.

5. Documentation

Your airline tickets are E---tickets. You do not receive any paper tickets. Though it is not required, bring a copy of your confirmation email with your confirmation number and ticket number just in case. You WILL need your PASSPORT to obtain boarding passes at the airport, go through security checkpoints, board all flights, and go through customs, passport control, and international borders. Keep it on your person at all times while traveling, and keep it in a safe place while in Medjugorje.

I put a xeroxed copy of my passport in a different place than my passport, ie. my carry on bag, just in case.

6. Demeanor

Please keep in mind that not all pilgrims are in the same place in their spiritual life. Patience is absolutely required when praying with so many other people from so many other cultures. Others do not need to be silent for you to have silence. YOU need to be silent for you to have silence. Indignant pilgrims are much worse than noisy pilgrims! Ha ha! So be patient, congenial and amicable with everyone you come across while traveling and in Medjugorje, especially at the holy sites. November should provide less congestion in Medjugorje as it is during the low season.

7. Money

Airport shops and kiosks in Europe do not always accept US Dollars, but will accept major credit cards. Most shops and restaurants in Medjugorje will take US dollars, though they prefer euros or KM. Bring a few hundred dollars (300 at the very least) in small denominations (20s or less) for lunches, purchases and tips. Some establishments in Medjugorje take credit cards. Make sure you let your credit card company know in advance where you will be traveling. Credit card companies often charge a foreign transaction fee when you use your card abroad. There is a bank in Medjugorje that will exchange US dollars for euros, or the local currency, KM.

8. Tips

I will have envelopes for collecting tips for our guide, bus drivers, and host family. Some suggest \$60 TOTAL per pilgrim. This is in no way mandatory. Feel free to chip in what you can, if you can.

9. Sample itinerary

(could vary depending on what is available)

See above

10. Dubrovnik

We will be taking a day trip to Dubrovnik to walk around the old wall that encircles the ancient city. ABSOLUTELY BREATH TAKING. The price for the day trip is yet to be determined, and is not included in the pilgrimage price. Admission to the wall is around \$18 US and must be paid for with the local currency (kuna) or a credit card (you can change money in the city). We will get lunch there as well. Highly recommend this experience!

Praise God! So excited to see you all and go on pilgrimage!!!!

Please feel free to call me with any questions at anytime.

Under our Mother's mantle,

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