

Frequently Asked Questions

Do I have to be a parishioner of Saint Alphonsus to go on this pilgrimage?

No! There is enough space on the pilgrimage to accommodate anyone who wishes to come.

Who is the target audience for this pilgrimage?

Teenagers up to those in middle age. While anyone who goes on this pilgrimage is likely to have a grace-filled experience, it provides a particular opportunity for parents and children to make it together.

Are you kidding? My teenagers and young adult children don't even like going to Mass!

The chaplain plans to help change that. Past experience indicates that pilgrimage experiences like these spark deeper faith.

Spain and Portugal Pilgrimage 2013



Father Christopher Roberts will be leading an unique pilgrimage to the relics of the Apostle James in Santiago de Compostela, Spain, followed by visits to the site of Marian apparitions in Fatima, Portugal and the place of the oldest recorded Eucharistic miracle in nearby Santarem from June 23 to July 3, 2013.

The pilgrimage will begin with a five day walk along the centuries-old pilgrimage route, the English *Camino* of St. James. This leg of the pilgrimage will average 12 miles a day of walking.



Upon arrival in Santiago, the pilgrims will celebrate Mass in the ancient shrine of Saint James the Apostle, which not only boasts the relics of the first martyred apostle, but also the world's largest thurible. This seventy mile journey will entitle the pilgrims to claim the *Compostela* certificate and offer them an opportunity to receive a plenary indulgence.



From Santiago, the pilgrimage will continue by bus to Portugal and the site of Mary's appearances at Fatima and the Eucharistic miracle at Santarem.

The cost is \$2500 (airfare inclusive), with a \$250 deposit due by September 20.

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