



You are invited to join us on a special 10-day pilgrimage!

Franciscan Mission Associates

Austria and Germany

June 5 – 14, 2022

Vienna ➤ Mariazell ➤ Salzburg ➤ Oberammergau ➤ Munich



Tour Code: 9858

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Travel Package Inclusions

- Round-trip economy class airfare from New York.
- U.S. departure tax; Customs user fee; security tax and all airport taxes.
- Meeting and assistance upon departure from New York JFK International Airport.
- Deluxe motor-coach transportation upon arrival and available for the entire tour.
- Eight (8) nights' accommodations in twin rooms at first-class hotels throughout.
- Breakfast and dinner daily, including a farewell dinner at a restaurant in Munich.
- Arrangements and tickets for the 2022 Passion Play in Oberammergau.
- Full-time tour manager throughout the entire tour, including arrival and departure transfers.
- Sightseeing with licensed, professional, English-speaking guides as outlined in the itinerary.
- Entrance fees to all sights as noted in the itinerary.
- Porterage of one piece of luggage, per person, at hotels.
- Coordination of daily liturgies as per itinerary.
- Travel documents, travel wallet, luggage tags, name badge, and travel bag.

Please refer to Terms & Conditions for items or additional costs not included in the package price.

Dear Friends:

We now have the opportunity to be a part of something truly unique. Not only are we going to be a part of the famous Oberammergau Passion Play which in itself is a lifetime opportunity, we will also be attending a showing that has been re-scheduled, something that has happened only a handful of times in its long history.

We couldn't be more excited to present this invitation for you to join us on a once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage in May 2022 to the heart of Austria and Germany. The 42nd world-famous Passion Play which takes place every ten years in Oberammergau is the highlight of our pilgrimage!

The history of the Passion Play dates back to 1633. In the middle of the Thirty Years War, after months of suffering and death from the plague, the Oberammergau villagers swore an oath that they would perform the "Play of the Suffering, Death and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ" every ten years. Every ten years since then, the villagers fulfill their promise to God. What a tremendous and unique way for us to unite our own spiritual journey with this extraordinary tradition of faith. This spiritual journey promises to be uplifting and inspiring to say the least. We hope you will prayerfully consider accompanying us on this pilgrimage!

Joyfully in Christ,

*Benefactors' Pilgrimage Office
of the Franciscan Mission Associates*

Day 1 Sunday, June 5: Depart USA

Depart New York JFK International Airport for our overseas journey to Vienna, Austria. Complimentary dinner (D), breakfast (B), and beverages will be served on board the flight.

Day 2 Monday, June 6: Welcome to Vienna! | Klosterneuburg Abbey

Arrive at Vienna International Airport, proceed through Passport Control, claim our luggage, and meet a Peter's Way tour manager as we exit Customs. Board our comfortable motor coach and we will be on our way to Klosterneuburg Abbey, overlooking the Danube River. The abbey was founded by St Leopold and is home of the Canons Regular. Our orientation tour will include the Abbey Church, medieval cloister, the Tomb of St Leopold, the world-famous Verdun Altar, the seven-branched candlestick of Agnes, and many other art treasures of the 14th and 15th centuries. **Celebrate Mass at the Tomb of Saint Leopold.** Independent lunch at the abbey. Continue to Vienna and check-in at our hotel. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Vienna. (B,D)

Day 3 Tuesday, June 7: Imperial Vienna | Schönbrunn Palace

Breakfast at our hotel. **Our day begins with morning Mass at St. Stephen's Cathedral, Austria's most eminent Gothic edifice.** After Mass, we will have a tour of the cathedral, which houses a wealth of art treasures. After leaving the cathedral, our orientation tour continues with a visit to the Capuchin Church, which contains the imperial vaults, and the Hofburg Palace, winter residence of the Habsburg emperors, with its crown jewels and Hofburg chapel. After our visit we'll continue by coach to see St. Charles' Church, a splendid example of late Baroque architecture, and the Belvedere Palace, former residence of Prince Eugene of Savoy. Drive around the Ring, one of the most magnificent boulevards in the world, passing the Vienna State Opera, museums, the House of Parliament, City Hall, and the Burgtheater. Independent lunch.

This afternoon we will tour Schönbrunn Palace, the former summer residence of the imperial family. Ever since it was completed in 1780 during the reign of Maria-Theresia, the palace was the favorite residence of the Habsburg monarchs. After the tour, continue to the Kärntner Strasse, Vienna's famous pedestrian zone. Enjoy the diversified mix of historical buildings, traditional shops, and stylish international stores. Be sure to try Viennese specialties like a Wiener Melange with Apfelstrudel or a Linzer Torte in one of the many traditional cafés! Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Vienna. (B,D)

Day 4 Wednesday, June 8: Mariazell Shrine | Lake District | Salzburg

Breakfast at our hotel. Depart Vienna for Salzburg and drive along one of the most beautiful roads with spectacular views of the Alps, rushing streams, and small market towns. Our destination is the Shrine of Our Lady of Mariazell, nestled in the Alpine mountains of Austria. The Baroque basilica dedicated to Our Lady stands at the center of Mariazell. See the miraculous statue in the Chapel of Miracles, which stands directly over the place where the Benedictine monk, Magnus, established his monastic cell in 1157, marking the ground where the first miracle of Mariazell took place. **Celebrate Mass at Mariazell Shrine.** Independent lunch with time to enjoy the quaint main square in Mariazell.

This afternoon, we'll continue our scenic drive through the Austrian Lake District with marvelous views of the Salzkammergut region. In Mondsee we will visit the Basilica of St. Michael, which reached international fame for the wedding scene in the movie *The Sound of Music*. Stop in St. Gilgen, the Mozart village on Lake Wolfgangsee. Then, continue to the Baroque city of Salzburg, a jewel set on the beautiful banks of the Salzach River.

Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Salzburg. (B,D)

Day 5 Thursday, June 9: Highlight Tour of Salzburg

Breakfast at our hotel. **This morning, we will be transferred to the Shrine of Maria Plain in Salzburg for Mass.** In 1951 Pope Pius XII conferred the title of this Shrine to Basilica Minor. After Mass, enjoy a walking tour of the highlights of Salzburg. Walk along Getreidegasse, the city's pedestrian street, lined with authentic 17th and 18th century buildings. We will pass by the house where Mozart was born. Continue to Monchsberg with the fortress "Hohensalzburg" overlooking the city. Built into the side of Monchsberg is the Salzburg Festspielhaus, home of the famous Salzburg Festival Operas. See Residenzplatz, the center square of Salzburg, dominated by the largest baroque fountain north of the Alps. Pass by St. Peter's Abbey, next to the cemetery where the escape scene in *The Sound of Music* was filmed. End our morning tour with a visit to Baroque Cathedral of Salzburg, dedicated to St. Rupert and St. Vergilius. Independent lunch.

Free afternoon to explore Salzburg on your own. Be sure to explore Salzburg's cafes to try signature treats such as iced coffee or hot chocolate and cake, a tradition that Austrians enjoy. Perhaps you'll want to visit Mozart's house and museum on your own. Or take the cogwheel train up to the mighty Hohensalzburg Fortress, the former residence of the powerful Archbishops of Salzburg. From the terrace high above the city you can enjoy a breathtaking view of the old town. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Salzburg. (B,D)

Day 6 Friday, June 10: Salzburg | Oberammergau Passion Play

Breakfast at our hotel. **Celebrate Mass (location to be advised).** This morning, we'll leave Salzburg and journey to the village of Oberammergau, home of the famous Passion Play. The play dates back to 1633, when the plague, the "Black Death," took a severe toll of lives in the small village. In their distress, the inhabitants turned to God and vowed that if the plague were taken from them, they would perform a play every ten years, depicting the suffering and death of the Savior. Their plea was heard and there were no further plague victims in Oberammergau. The first performance of the Passion Play took place in 1634 in the village cemetery. Independent lunch.

We'll attend the Passion Play in the open-air theater. The greatest story ever told comes to life as this superb production unfolds portraying the Christian message against a scenic backdrop of wooded mountains. The play shows the story of Christ's Passion, beginning with his entry into Jerusalem and ending with the Resurrection. The accompanying music is magnificent, and a full English translation of the script is available for you to follow from your reserved seat. All the town members partake in this play every 10 years. There are two parts of the performance. Independent lunch before the performance begins.

Part I: 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Part II: 8:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Three-hour dinner break in between Parts I and II. (*Dinner is included with Oberammergau arrangements.*)

Overnight at our hotel near Oberammergau. (B,D)

Unexpected circumstances may cause changes to the outlined itinerary.

Day 7 Saturday, June 11: Ettal Abbey | Neuschwanstein Castle | Munich

Breakfast at our hotel. After breakfast, we'll celebrate Mass at the Benedictine Abbey of Ettal. After Mass, we'll explore King Ludwig's majestic castle, Neuschwanstein. This dream-like fortress was built on 1869 based on sketches of a theatrical decorator. Return to the times of Wagner as we visit the royal apartments decorated with scenes from German sagas and operas; the throne rooms and music halls, with fine candelabras and chandeliers; King Ludwig's unique bedroom with artistic wood carvings; and an artificial grotto that recalls opera themes of his former friend and composer Richard Wagner. Independent lunch. Time will be given to browse around in Garmisch-Partenkirchen. This afternoon, we'll continue to Munich for hotel check-in. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Munich. (B,D)

Day 8 Sunday, June 12: Footsteps of Pope Benedict XVI | Altötting | Marktl am Inn | Munich

Early breakfast at our hotel. This morning we'll leave Munich on our excursion to the town of Altötting, traditionally known as the "Heart of Bavaria." Young Joseph Ratzinger made pilgrimages with his parents and siblings to this place of grace. At 10:00 a.m., celebrate Mass at the Gnadenkapelle (Chapel of Grace). After Mass, we will have a tour of the shrine. The Gnadenkapelle (Chapel of Grace) is visited annually by thousands of pilgrims from around the world. A 3 year-old child who drowned and another who was trampled both came back to life after their parents prayed to God through the intercession of the Blessed Mother at the location of this shrine in 1489 and 1490. The events marked the beginning of the history of pilgrimages to the holy site. Independent lunch in Altötting. We'll continue to the near village of Marktl am Inn, the birthplace of Pope Benedict XVI. See the house where the future pope was born and the baptismal font where he was baptized on the day of his birth. After our visit we'll return to Munich in time to watch the world-famous Glockenspiel chime at 5:00 p.m. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Munich. (B,D)

Day 9 Monday, June 13: Highlights of Munich | Farewell Dinner

Breakfast at our hotel. This morning, we'll have an orientation tour of Munich, the capital of Bavaria and the second largest city in Germany. Our local guide will take us to explore some highlights of Munich, including the Marienplatz and world-famous Glockenspiel; the twin-towered Frauenkirche, the most familiar landmark of old Munich; town hall; and the royal boulevard with its triumphal arch and victory gate. Celebrate Mass at Peterskirche. Independent lunch. Free afternoon to explore Munich on your own. Enjoy a festive farewell dinner at a classic Bavarian restaurant in Munich. Overnight at our hotel in Munich. (B,D)

Day 10 Tuesday, June 14: Return to the USA

Breakfast at our hotel. Today, we will be transferred to Munich Airport for our return flight to the USA. (B)



Cash Discount Package Price

\$4,895.00* including departure taxes and fuel surcharge

**Estimated Departure Taxes & Fuel Surcharge are subject to change and increase 30 days prior to departure.*

Credit Card Package Price:

\$5,095.00 including departure taxes and fuel surcharge

**Estimated Departure Taxes & Fuel Surcharge are subject to change and increase 30 days prior to departure.*

Rates are based on double occupancy with roundtrip airfare from New York (JFK).

Deposit Due (\$1,000): September 15, 2021
2nd Payment Due (\$1,500): November 15, 2021
Final Payment Due (Balance): February 15, 2022

All payments are non-refundable upon receipt.

The 2020 Passion Play was postponed until 2022 by the Committee of Oberammergau, which charged cancellation fees upon issuing refunds, as did hotels and other vendors. Should this pilgrimage to the 2022 Passion Play be affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, quarantines, changes made by the Committee of Oberammergau, or anything else outside of Peter's Way Tours' control, Peter's Way Tours will not be held responsible for any cancellation fees. The \$1,000 enrollment deposit and all subsequent payments are non-refundable upon receipt.



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Please forward your \$1,000 deposit by:

SEPTEMBER 15, 2021

to ensure your reservation is accepted.

FMA Pilgrimages are accompanied by FMA staff and a Spiritual Director.

Acceptance of these **Terms & Conditions**, with signature on enrollment form, is required for participation in this tour.

PAYMENT: Deposits and insurance payments will be accepted in the form of check or money order only. In an effort to keep our prices as low as possible, it is recommended that all payments be made via check or money order. However, if you choose to make your balance payments via MasterCard, Visa, Discover, or American Express, you will be charged the credit card package price of \$5,095.00 per person. Invoices and credit card authorization forms will be included with your welcome documents. The credit card form must be completed in entirety in order for transactions to be approved.

CANCELLATIONS/NON-REFUNDABLE PAYMENTS: The enrollment deposit and each subsequent payment are non-refundable upon receipt. Cancellation at any time will result in the loss of 100% of all payments made per person including departure taxes & fuel surcharges, single supplement, deviation fees, travel insurance payments and any other costs incurred. Travel insurance is recommended as protection for cancellations due to medical reasons such as illness or injury. Travel insurance payments are non-refundable. Tour participation is non-transferable. Names cannot be transferred on reservations or airline tickets. All refund requests are subject to cancellation restrictions as set forth above. We do not refund costs associated with tour services that are not utilized. **We strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance in order to protect your investment in this tour package. Please read all details very carefully under TRAVEL INSURANCE.**

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: It is the traveler's responsibility to have a valid passport for international travel. **U.S. Passports must be valid for at least six (6) months after the return date.** Special entry requirements for non-U.S. citizens may apply. Please consult the appropriate Consulate for current requirements. **Beginning in 2021, visitors to the European Union may require additional travel documents to enter the EU.** After enrolling, if required, you will be sent information to apply for an ETIAS online prior to travel. It is solely the passenger's responsibility to ensure that all required documents are complete and current. Peter's Way Tours will not be held responsible for a passenger's lack of current and valid entry documents, including passports.

AIR TRANSPORTATION: This travel package includes round-trip economy class airfare from New York. Flight itinerary and carrier may be subject to change. Departure taxes & fuel surcharges are estimated. They are determined solely by the airlines and are subject to increase prior to ticketing (approximately 30 days prior to departure).

AIRLINE SEATING: Under group contracts, seat selection is not permitted. Requests for seat preferences (window or aisle) may be made when you check in for the flight. However, there is no guarantee that requests will be honored. Peter's Way cannot submit special seat requests on behalf of any passenger. Upgrades to premium economy, business class, or first class may be available for purchase (contact our office to inquire). Group reservations may not be accessed online for advance check-in/boarding passes/seat assignments. If seat selection is a condition that affects your decision to travel, it is suggested that you purchase the land only package in order to book your airline arrangements according to your specific needs.

LAND ONLY PASSENGERS: The Land Only package cost is \$3,995.00 per person sharing a twin room (\$200.00 cash discount will be applied if all payments are made by check). The Land Only package does not include any portion of the group airfare. It is the traveler's responsibility to book all segments independently. Any tour participant may change their status to "Land Only" by notifying Peter's Way Tours in writing, up to 100 days prior to date of departure. Please be advised, passenger(s) opting for the Land Only package, or deviating from the group itinerary, are responsible for their own transfers to/from the hotel/airport. However, if your flights coordinate with the group flight arrangements, you are welcome to utilize the group transfer(s). **If you purchase your own airline transportation and the group does not materialize or you cancel for any reason, Peter's Way Tours will not be held responsible for the cost of your airfare.**

DEVIATIONS & ITINERARY CHANGES: Peter's Way Tours is pleased to assist clients with special requests. All deviation requests must be submitted in writing at least 90 days prior to departure (additional fees will apply). An increase in airfare may also apply. Not all carriers permit routing changes and/or deviations from the group itinerary. Please contact our office for more information.

TRANSFERS AND PORTERAGE: Round-trip airport transfers are included for passengers who purchase the full air and land package. Porterage of one piece of luggage, per person, is included at most hotels.

ACCOMMODATIONS/SINGLE TRAVELERS: The package price is based on two persons sharing a hotel room with two twin beds and private facilities. Married couples may request a double bed; however, double beds are subject to availability. Triple rooms (two twin beds plus rollaway) may be requested; however, there is no discount for triple occupancy. **Single rooms are limited and may be requested at time of booking. They are sometimes smaller than twin rooms and may be separated from the room block. If confirmed, an additional charge of \$895.00 will apply. Please note, single rooms are limited in Oberammergau. Single travelers may be assigned a roommate for this 2-night stay only.** We will make every effort to accommodate roommate requests, but we cannot guarantee double occupancy. If a single room must be assigned due to your roommate's cancellation, incompatibility, or for any other reason (even at the last moment or while on tour), we must charge you the single supplement or pro-rated amount.

MEALS: Breakfast and dinner daily, including a farewell dinner in Munich.

GRATUITIES & SERVICE CHARGES: Gratuities are included in your tour package. Tips for your tour manager and bus driver are normally given as a group at the end of the tour. All service charges and local taxes as imposed by hotels are

included in the program rate. Although service charges are included, it is customary to leave €1 Euro per person for the wait staff after each meal and €1 Euro per person per day for housekeeping.

TRAVELER HEALTH ADVISORY: Passengers must be medically and physically fit for travel and ensure that such traveling will not endanger themselves or others. Most pilgrimages entail a lot of walking, stairs, hills, cobblestone roads, etc. Tour buses are not equipped with wheelchair ramps. Peter's Way Tours must be advised if a person has a disability requiring assistance. Any passenger who requires special assistance must be accompanied by a travel companion who will provide proper help. Peter's Way Tours will make reasonable attempts to accommodate disabled passengers with special needs, but shall not be held responsible if we are unable to do so. Moreover, Peter's Way Tours is not responsible for the denial of services by any carriers, hotels, restaurants, or other independent suppliers.

DISCLAIMER OF RESPONSIBILITY: Peter's Way Tours is only acting as intermediary and agent for the suppliers identified on this, or any accompanying documents, in selling services, or in accepting reservations or bookings for services that are not directly supplied by Peter's Way Tours (such as air carriage, hotel accommodations, ground transportation, meals, tours, cruises, etc.). Peter's Way Tours shall not be responsible for breach of contract, bankruptcy, or any intentional or careless actions or omissions on the part of such suppliers, which result in any loss, damage, delay, or injury to any traveler, travel companions, or group member. Peter's Way Tours shall not be held responsible for any changes made in the schedule of liturgies throughout the pilgrimage. Unless the term "guaranteed" is specifically written on the ticket, invoice, or reservation itinerary, Peter's Way does not guarantee any supplier's rates, bookings, or reservations. Peter's Way Tours shall not be responsible for any injuries, damages, or losses caused to any traveler in connection with terrorist activities, social or labor unrest, airline strikes, mechanical or construction difficulties, diseases, pandemics, quarantines, local laws, climatic conditions, abnormal conditions or developments, or any other actions, omissions, or conditions outside of Peter's Way Tours control. By embarking upon the trip, the traveler voluntarily assumes all risks involved with such travel, whether expected or unexpected. The traveler is hereby warned of such risks and is advised to obtain appropriate insurance coverage against them. Peter's Way Tours does not accept responsibility or liability for minors traveling on the tour. A signed enrollment form by the traveler and, if under 18 years of age, their parent/guardian, shall constitute consent to the above terms and conditions.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: It is strongly recommended that all participants purchase insurance when they travel since the tour operator is not responsible for non-refundable payments, damaged luggage, or trip interruption. Peter's Way Tours offers an optional Passenger Travel Protection Plan. These benefits and services help ensure the well-being of the passenger while traveling worldwide. The insurance premium is based on total package price, including taxes, fuel surcharges, single supplements, deviation fees, late charges, etc (see chart below). **If the insurance premium is included with your deposit, the passenger will be covered for pre-existing conditions.** The insurance plan can be purchased at any time thereafter, excluding coverage for pre-existing conditions, until final payment has been made. **Plan payments will not be accepted after final payment has been made. All plan payments are non-refundable.** If you choose to extend your stay or embark on a pre-tour program, travel insurance can be purchased for an additional \$4.00 per day. Additional coverage needs to be requested. The insurance plan will not automatically be extended. **The insurance plan will only cover pre-paid arrangements made through Peter's Way Tours.** Passengers who book their own airfare (Land Only passengers or those booking independent connecting flights) are advised to purchase travel insurance covering their flights directly from the airline or from another travel insurance supplier. The Passenger Travel Protection Plan includes coverage for the following: trip cancellation/interruption/delay, accident/sickness medical expense, emergency medical evacuation/repatriation, lost baggage/personal effects, accidental death & dismemberment, and 24-hour Emergency Travel Assistance Services. Benefits and services are provided by Travel Insured International. Upon claim approval, reimbursement is up to 100% of the non-refundable payments for your trip. Once you begin your trip, coverage under the plan will end as soon as you go back to your return destination. This means that if you return home early, your coverage will terminate early as well. Losses incurred after your coverage ends cannot be reimbursed. Be sure to review the copy of the policy that you receive upon enrollment. If you need further information, please call Travel Insured International at 1-844-754-0045 and ask for Customer Service. This travel insurance is underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company, Eatontown, NJ under policy number T-2508.

ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS: In the event that Peter's Way Tours pays for any service that is later reimbursed by the travel protection plan (e.g. hotel or buses for trip interruptions or delays), by signing the enrollment form I agree to assign any of those payable benefits to Peter's Way Tours up to the individual allocated amount of the payment made by Peter's Way.

Package Price Range	Premium	Package Price Range	Premium
From \$3,000 to \$3,500	\$250.00	From \$4,501 to \$5,000	\$325.00
From \$3,501 to \$4,000	\$275.00	From \$5,001 to \$5,500	\$350.00
From \$4,001 to \$4,500	\$300.00	From \$5,501 to \$6,000	\$375.00

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