



PROROME



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Walking the Way of St. James: A Fall Pilgrimage to Portugal & Spain with Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Queens Village, NY

*Join Rev. Patrick Longalong, Rev. Robert Ambalathingal, Rev. Emmanuel Mulenga
OMI, and Dominique Pastrana*

This pilgrimage begins with a day in Lisbon and two nights in Fátima, followed by six days walking over 100 kilometers along the Portuguese Way of Saint James. From the town of Tui we will pass through the beautiful countryside of Iberia until we arrive in the city of Saint James: Santiago de Compostela. Here we will spend three days celebrating our pilgrimage together, enjoying the incredible history, beauty and food of Galicia. Following our time in Compostela, we are off to Porto, one of Europe's most beautiful small cities, for a day of sightseeing before returning home.

Roundtrip airfare and centrally-located accommodations will be arranged. A ProRome tour manager will accompany the group throughout the course of the pilgrimage, with private bus transportation, Catholic tour guides, all tours and tickets, daily breakfast and daily dinner included in the price.

September 14 - 27, 2026

\$4400 per person, Land Only

Airfare will be booked in November of 2025. The estimated cost for airfare is \$1400 per person and is subject change.

For more information or to register, please visit www.prorometours.com/ourladyoflourdes2026 or contact ProRome Tours directly at (434) 953 1112 or by email at office@prorome.com

THE ITINERARY



Monday, September 14 Departure

Departure information TBD.

Tuesday, September 15 Arrival In Portugal | Lisbon

Welcome to Portugal! Upon our arrival, we will collect our luggage and meet our tour manager and bus driver. We will then board our private motorcoach and enjoy a panoramic tour of Lisbon. Our first stop is the St. António Chapel, built on the site of Saint Anthony's birthplace. Here we will celebrate Mass followed by free time for lunch. After lunch we will depart for Fátima by private coach, where we will check-in at the four-star Hotel Fátima for dinner and overnight. There will be the opportunity to participate in the Candlelight Procession in the Sanctuary for those interested.

Bus Ride: 2-2.5 hrs from Lisbon to Fatima
Holy Mass: St. Antonio Chapel
Meals Included: Dinner
Overnight: Hotel Fatima

Wednesday, September 16 Fatima

Today we will enter into the lives and incredible story of the three shepherd children, Lucia Dos Santos, and her cousins Francisco and

Jacinta Marto. Our guide here will be Sister Stella Guza or Sister Hyacinth, religious sisters living in a local convent in Fátima. They will be our physical and spiritual guides and we encounter the story of Fatima.

Our day begins with Holy Mass, before we proceed to visit the Basilica and the tombs of Francesco, Jacinta and Lucia. We will go to the hamlet of Aljustrel, where the children lived, and Valinhos, the site of Our Lady's appearance after the children were freed from being held prisoners by the civil authorities. In the afternoon there will be free time for prayer before attending the evening rosary procession in Fátima. We will enjoy a delicious dinner and overnight stay at our hotel.

Holy Mass: Fatima Basilica OR the Chapel of Apparitions "La Capelinha"
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner
Overnight: Hotel Fatima

Thursday, September 17 Braga | Tui

Following an early breakfast we will check out of our hotel and depart for the city of Tui, about a three and half hour drive from Fátima. Found on the Caminho Português (the Portuguese Way of St. James), this is one of the traditional starting points for those walking to the tomb of St. James from the south.

On the way to Tui we will stop in what is known as the "Portuguese Rome" - Braga, Portugal. Upon arrival we will enjoy a guided tour of the famous Bom Jesus Do Monte Sanctuary and then celebrate Holy Mass together. We will then break for an independent lunch. After lunch we will continue on to Tui.

Upon arrival we will check-in at the Hotel Colon Tui and then enjoy a free afternoon to explore, rest or sightsee. In the evening we will rendezvous at the hotel for dinner and a briefing on the following day.

Bus Ride: 3.5-4 hrs from Fatima to Tui
Holy Mass: Bom Jesus Do Monte Sanctuary
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner
Overnight: Hotel Colon Tui in Tui

Friday, September 18 The Camino De Santiago Commences | Tui To O Porrino

Today we begin walking the Camino de Santiago! Five days and more than 115 kilometers sit between us and the tomb of Saint James! After beginning the day and this pilgrimage with Holy Mass, we will depart Tui for the town of O Porrino. Since this is our first day, we will pace ourselves, allowing our bodies time to adapt to the daily mileage and setting, all the while praying with the personal intentions we have brought on this pilgrimage. Upon our arrival in O Porrino we will check in to the Hotel Parque where we will enjoy some rest before sharing dinner together.

Walking: approx. 11.6 miles
Holy Mass: TBD
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner
Overnight: Hotel Parque in O Porrino

Saturday, September 19 O Porrino To Redondela

Following breakfast we will begin our day with the celebration of Holy Mass, before leaving O Porrino for the city of Redondela, also known as the "Village of the Viaducts." Although there will be a couple steep parts of today's route, it will also be the shortest walking day of our pilgrimage. As we near Redondela we will notice more and more pilgrims along the way as the town marks the meeting of the coastal and central routes of the Camino de Santiago. Upon our arrival we will check in at the Hostel Antolin before enjoying a group dinner and some much needed rest.

Walking: approx. 9.4 miles
Holy Mass: TBD
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner
Overnight: Hostel Antolin in Redondela

Sunday, September 20 Redondela To Pontevedra

After breakfast we begin our third day of the Camino. Leaving Redondela, we will cross the Roman bridge of Ponte Sampaio, known for the battle that the locals here waged against the Napoleonic forces and in which the French army was defeated. After a beautiful walk through the country we will eventually arrive at the hill of A Canicouva, one of the more challenging legs of our journey!

After a few kilometers uphill we will finally crest the hill and sail down into Pontevedra! Here we will check in at the three star Rias Bajas before having the option to visit the church of the Virgin Pilgrim, one of the most beautiful churches found anywhere in Spain! We will then rendezvous at the hotel for dinner and overnight.

Walking: approx. 11.3 miles
Holy Mass: TBD
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner
Overnight: Hotel Rias Bajas in Pontevedra

Monday, September 21 Pontevedra To Caldas De Reis.

As we leave Pontevedra behind we will say goodbye to the gorgeous sea views that have been with us along the Coastal Camino. Indeed, once we cross the Ponte do Burgo bridge our Camino will become an inland route up to Santiago de Compostela. The scenery changes, but it is always stunning, as this route is known for its eucalyptus forests and running streams. Along the way we may even have the opportunity to enjoy a wine tasting at a local winery. We will eventually arrive in Caldas de Reis, known for its thermal waters and in use since Roman times! We may even have time to enjoy the baths ourselves before meeting together for dinner and our overnight stay at our hotel, Hotel Cruceiro.

Walking: approx. 14.3 miles
Holy Mass: TBD
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner
Overnight: Hotel Cruceiro in Caldas de Reis

ITINERARY CONTINUED



Tuesday, September 22 **Caldas De Reis To Padron**

Following Mass in Caldas de Reis we are off to Padrón, known for its illustrious writers Camilo José Cela and Rosalía de Castro, but even more known for its famous peppers, the Pimientos de Padrón (Padrón peppers). Upon arrival we will check in at our hotel, Hotel Scala, and then enjoy some much needed rest and dinner together.

Walking: approx. 13 miles

Holy Mass: TBD

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: Hotel Scala in Padron

Wednesday, September 23 **Padron To Santiago**

After about an hour's walk we will arrive in the town of A Escravitude, known for its beautiful Marian sanctuary and one of the last stops for pilgrims on their way to Santiago. The path continues to climb towards Santiago and we will soon see the towers of the cathedral. Entering the historic center, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, we will enjoy the incredible stone architecture of the city. We will then complete our pilgrimage in the Cathedral, where we will venerate the tomb of the Apostle James! We will then check-in at the Hotel Gelmirez. After freshening up feel free to relax or venture out into Santiago. We will then rendezvous at the hotel for dinner and overnight.

Walking: approx. 14.1 miles

Holy Mass: TBD

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: Hotel San Lorenzo in Santiago

Thursday, September 24 **Santiago**

Today we will tour the Old Quarter and the Cathedral, which was built over the remains of St. James more than a thousand years ago. The magnificent Baroque facade draws the weary pilgrim inside only to discover the original Romanesque interior, richly decorated through the centuries in honor of God and His Saints, most especially the Apostle James. We will then have Mass in the Cathedral. After Mass everyone is free for the afternoon to enjoy lunch and siesta. There will also be the option to view the Botafumeiro ceremony (censer offering) in the Cathedral for those interested. In the afternoon we will meet again and visit the Cathedral rooftops for a great view of the sun going down over the city. Following some free time we will then rendezvous at the hotel for dinner.

Holy Mass: Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela (Concelebrated Pilgrim's Mass)

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: Hotel San Lorenzo in Santiago

Friday, September 25 **Santiago**

Today we will enjoy a day at leisure. Everyone will have the day to explore, pray, shop and rest. We will all rendezvous in the evening at the hotel for dinner and overnight.

Holy Mass: TBD

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: Hotel San Lorenzo in Santiago

Saturday, September 26 **Porto**

After breakfast we depart for Porto. This three-hour drive will take you through the incredible mountains and countryside of Portugal. Upon arrival in Porto we will check-in at our hotel, the Hotel Legendary, and enjoy free time for lunch followed by an afternoon tour of the city.

Our tour of Porto begins with the Cathedral, a Romanesque building where the city of Porto was born. We will then explore the interior of the church and the surrounding square on a guided tour. The tour then continues onto the famous Aliados Avenue, known for the façades of the buildings that surround it. The gray tones of this huge avenue will surprise you: there is a picture to be taken everywhere you look! One of the main attractions in Porto is the São Bento Railway Station, covered in more than twenty thousand painted tiles that tell the story of Portugal! We may even have the opportunity to visit the Livraria Lello, said to be the most beautiful bookstore in the world. Our day then concludes with a farewell dinner together at the hotel.

Bus Ride: 3-3.5 hrs from Santiago to Porto

Holy Mass: TBD in Porto

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

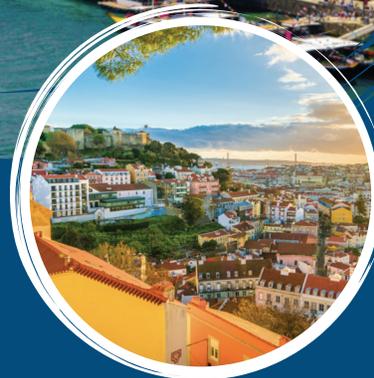
Overnight: Hotel Legendary in Porto

Sunday, September 27 **Departure**

Following breakfast we will depart for the Porto Airport to board our return flights home.

Holy Mass: TBD

Meals Included: Breakfast



► Final Cost

\$4400 per person, Land Only

- Airfare will be booked in November 2025

► Payment Schedule

\$200 - ProRome Registration Fee - Due upon Registration

Due to the high demand of this unique experience, Our Lady of Lourdes Church encourages the non-refundable deposit of \$200 per participant to be submitted to secure your place and ensure the commitment of all participants. This deposit should be made at registration and all registrations should be completed by May 1, 2025.

\$2100 - Due March 13, 2026

\$2100 - Due May 15, 2026

\$700 - Single Occupancy Surcharge (If Applicable) - Due May 15, 2026

► Price Inclusions

- 12 nights lodging in double occupancy room (note: not all hotels have amenities such as refrigerators, hot kettles, free wi-fi, or AC)
 - Two nights lodging at the four-star Hotel Fatima (or similar) in Fatima
 - One night lodging at the three-star Hotel Colon Tuy (or similar) in Tui
 - One night lodging at the three-star Hotel Parque (or similar) in O Porrino
 - One night lodging at the one-star Hostel Antolin (or similar) in Redondela
 - One night lodging at the three-star Hotel Rias Bajas (or similar) in Pontevedra
 - One night lodging at the two-star Hotel Cuceiro (or similar) in Caldas de Reis
 - One night lodging at the three-star Hotel Scala (or similar) in Padron
 - Three nights lodging at the three-star Hotel San Lorenzo (or similar) in Santiago de Compostela
 - One night lodging at the three-star Hotel Legendary (or similar) in Porto
- ProRome Tour Manager throughout the course of the trip
- Professional English-speaking guides for all visits according to the above itinerary
- Tours and all entry-tickets
- Daily buffet breakfast (without choice of menus)
- Daily dinner (without choice of menus)
- Water and house wine at meals
- Deluxe A/C coach when required (WiFi available) (we will still walk 4-7 miles daily on non-Camino days)
 - The motorcoach will be nearby and available should there be an emergency
- Audio guiding system throughout the course of the trip

► Price Exclusions

- Any personal expenses
- Daily lunch
- Beverages other than water and house wine at included meals
- Trip Insurance (available for purchase through ProRome)
- Gratuities for the Tour Manager and Driver - Suggested \$20-\$30 per person for each



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