

Augustinian Youth Encounter and World Youth Day 2023 at Lisbon, Portugal Plus, Pilgrimages to the Augustinian Sites in Milan, Italy 19 July to 9August 2023

ITINERARY of 22 days and night following the footsteps of St Augustine (Italy) and meeting other young adults in deepening faith and friendship in Christ (Portugal).

DAY1:TUESDAY19th JULY – DEPARTUREFROMSYDNEY, AUSTRALIA VIA SINGAPORE AIRWAYS



DAY 2: WEDNESDAY, 20thJULY – ARRIVE IN MILAN

Welcome to Milano! From Malpensa airport we will be transferred to our accommodation/hotel so you can rest. We will meet the tour director and join him for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (Dinner)



DAY 3: THURSDAY, 21st JULY – CASSAGO BRIANZA AND LAKE COMO

This morning, we travel to Casciago (Cassiciacum); the place where St Augustine was converted, then we continue our journey to Milan Duomo. In late August of 386, at the age of 31, having heard of Ponticianus' and his friends' first reading of the life of Anthony of the



Desert, Augustine converted to Christianity. As Augustine later told it, his conversion was prompted by hearing a child's voice sing "take and read" or tolle lege, tolle lege. (B,D)

OPERATOR NOTES

Mass Request Mass at Duomo in Milan on 21 July at 09:30 AM (Confirmed)



DAY 4: FRIDAY, 22nd July- PAVIA, ITALY-LISBON, PORTUGAL

We visit the Tomb of St Augustine in Pavia. St Augustine is not only a Saint but a Doctor of the Church as well. He became one of the most influential writers in defense of Christianity. The remains of this famous Doctor of the Church lie here in the Basilica of San Pietro in Ciel d'Oro (Saint Peter in the Golden Sky). The relics of St Augustine are kept in a marble reliquary on the upper floor of the church. In the evening, we fly to Lisbon. Upon arrival travel via coach to the hotel in Fatima. (B)

Note: The estimated arrival time at the hotel in Lisbon is 11pm

OPERATOR NOTES

Mass Request – Mass this day will be organized by Fr Saldie Resolado, OSA Flight Details 22JUL TP823 MXP/LIS 1735-1925







DAY5:SUNDAY23rd JULY-FATIMA, PORTUGAL

Welcome to Fátima, home to one of the most famous Catholic shrines. Enjoy an orientation walk and visit the Tomb of the Visionaries and the Chapel of the Apparitions made famous by the Virgin Mary's 1917 appearances to three shepherd children, which culminated in the revelation of the Three Secrets of Fátima. Enjoy free time to visit the Museum of the Sanctuary of Fatima, located behind the Chapel of the Apparitions. This evening after dinner, join pilgrims from around the world for the Rosary and candlelight procession at the Our Lady of Fátima Basilica. (B,D)

OPERATOR NOTES

Mass Request Chapel of the Apparition



DAY6:MONDAY24th JULY–FATIMA and LISBON, PORTUGAL

In the morning, we continue our activities/free time in Fatima and prepare ourselves in the afternoon to go back to Lisbon in preparation for the Augustinian Youth Encounter (AYE) (B) Free time: NOTE: Transfer from Fatima to Lisbon is required. Accommodation in Lisbon will not be booked by Cosmos. (Susan will continue to assist us here.)





DAY7:TUESDAY25th JULY–LISBON, PORTUGAL

Program for AYE to follow.

The Augustinian communities in Lisbon will host the AYE with its theme: "Let us cling to Him and rise again." (St Augustine's Sermon to Catechumens 3.6)



NOTE: Augustinian Youth Encounter Week (25th-30th July) Day 13: 31st JULY – Rest Day: Free Time:

Day 14: TUESDAY 01 AUGUST - WORLD YOUTH DAY WEEK LISBON



Theme: "Mary arose and went with haste." (Luke 1:39)

AM: MORNING AT LEISURE TO EXPLORE LISBON PM: WYD OPENING CEREMONIES

DAY 15: WEDNESDAY 02 AUGUST - WORLD YOUTH DAY WEEK LISBON (WYD BLD) AM: MORNING CATECHESIS There will be opportunities for Catechesis, Daily Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. PM: YOUTH FESTIVAL EVENTS Featuring music, dance, and dramatic performances from around the world in small and large stadiums and venues across the city.

DAY 16: THURSDAY 03 AUGUST - WORLD YOUTH DAY WEEK LISBON (WYD BLD) AM: MORNING CATECHESIS There will be opportunities for Catechesis, Daily Mass, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. PM: YOUTH FESTIVAL EVENTS



Featuring music, dance, and dramatic performances from around the world in small and large stadiums and venues across the city.

PM: WELCOMING CEREMONIES FOR THE HOLY FATHER

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AM: MORNING CATECHESIS

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PM: STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The focus tonight is on the moving Way of the Cross when we as young pilgrims will contemplate the reality of Christ's passion and the call to true freedom.

DAY 18: SATURDAY 05 AUGUST - PILGRIMAGE WALK TO WYD VIGIL SITE (WYD BLD)

Today will begin the mass mobilization of pilgrims along set walking paths through the city as we converge on the site chosen for the historic WYD gathering here in Lisbon. An afternoon of concerts, performances, and song will unfold as we await the arrival of the Holy Father. This begins the main event! Millions of young people together with the Pope – a summer evening of unforgettable atmosphere. The celebrations continue all night as we share in a global sleep-out under the stars.

WYD Vigil Site Sleepout (WYD Boulevard)

DAY 19: SUNDAY 06 AUGUST - 37TH INTERNATIONAL WORLD YOUTH DAY

As the sun rises, we'll share in Morning Prayer, breakfast and the climactic WYD Papal Mass with Pope Francis and all the youth and young adults of the world.

AM: MORNING MASS WITH THE HOLY FATHER, Pope Francis

The Pope will concelebrate Mass with thousands of bishops and priests, addressing us and sending us out to the world to witness to our faith, as the Lord did with his Apostles. At the end of the Mass, the Holy Father will announce the place where the next international World Youth Day will be held.

PM: PILGRIMAGE WALK BACK TO Augustinian Lodgings: Ready to fly back HOME! 7th August – our departure from Lisbon to Australia—arrival on 9th August (Day 22)

Special notes:

All details of sightseeing listed, and order of daily arrangements must remain subject to change due to any unforeseen circumstances which may arise, or at the discretion of the pilgrimage leadership.

This overview is based on the standard pilgrimage departure and return dates. Please refer to your personal flight itinerary for more specific details or amendments pertaining to your travel.