



# World Youth Day

**Madrid 2011**

Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle



# France and Spain Pilgrimage

MTNC2

## *'Taize to Madrid'*

*An amazing journey from Paris to Madrid as we pass through sacred villages and befriend many of the great saints and mystics of Europe along the way.*

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**Departing**  
**Monday, 1st August, 2011**

**Cost \$5,790.00 per person**



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### Proposed Itinerary

Meal code - B: Breakfast L: Lunch D: Dinner

<b>Day 1</b> Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> August	Depart: Sydney	By air
<b>Days 2 - 7</b> Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August to Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	Arrive: Paris Paris to Taize	By coach <b>Taize Pilgrimage – 6 nights</b> Departing Paris this morning we journey south to Taize. Our days in Taize will help us to view our daily life in the light of the Gospel: praying together three times a day, reflecting on the 'wellsprings' of the faith and working for others. This will be an amazing opportunity to seek communion with God in prayer, singing, silence and reflection. The music of Taize reflects a deeply prayerful, intimate and yet communal nature, sung mostly unaccompanied.  (B,L,D daily)

<p><b>Day 8</b> Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August</p>	<p>Taize to Paris</p>	<p><b>Free day</b> Overnight Paris (B,D)</p>
<p><b>Day 9</b> Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August</p>	<p>Chartres</p>	<p><b>Chartres Pilgrimage</b> Visit the magnificent 13<sup>th</sup> Century Chartres Cathedral, a medieval architectural wonder and home to the Holy Veil, said to be worn by the Blessed Virgin Mary when she gave birth to Jesus. See the most famous labyrinth in the world, built around year 1200, sometimes called 'Road of Jerusalem'  Overnight Paris (B,D)</p>
<p><b>Day 10</b> Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> August</p>	<p>Paris</p>	<p><b>Exploration</b> Visit and celebrate Mass in the Sacre Coeur. Visit Eiffle Tower, see the Arc de Triomphe and the Champs Elysees and a special visit to the Cathedral of Notre Dame. Visit Daughters of Charity in Rue du Bac, where Mary, the Mother of God appeared to Catherine Laboure in 1830 and where the first Miraculous Medal was struck in 1832, and the altar of St Vincent de Paul. Remainder of afternoon at leisure.  Overnight Paris (B,D)</p>

<p><b>Day 11</b> Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August</p>	<p>Paris to Madrid Madrid to Salamanca</p>	<p>By air By coach We will join our host parish community for the Days in the Diocese, where we will be welcomed and enter into a colourful program of festival, faith and fellowship.  Overnight Salamanca (B,D)</p>
<p><b>Days 12 - 14</b> Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August to Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August</p>	<p>Salamanca</p>	<p><b>Days in the Diocese – 3 nights</b> All across Spain parishes and communities will embrace the youth of the world in an expression of Christian hospitality. It will be an opportunity to experience the people of the Salamanca Diocese with their deep traditions and spiritual heritage. It will be a time of cultural exchange, dialogue, worship and celebration as we gather and prepare for WYD week.  (B,L,D daily)</p>

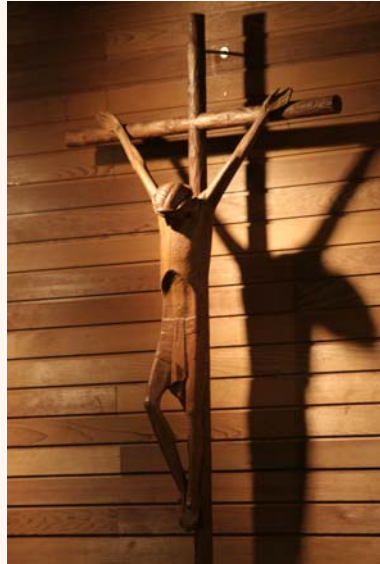
<p><b>Day 15</b> Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August</p>	<p>Salamanca to Madrid</p>	<p>By coach We will join the streams of young pilgrims converging on the World Youth Day host city for World Youth Day week. After being welcomed, pilgrims will be registered and then transferred to their place of accommodation. Pilgrims will receive their WYD bag containing handbook, tourist guide, pilgrim pass, transport card and all information needed to get around Madrid and participate in WYD events.  Overnight Madrid (B,D)</p>
<p><b>Day 16</b> Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August</p>	<p>Madrid</p>	<p><b>World Youth Day – 7 nights</b> The Official Opening Mass of Welcome.  (B,L,D)</p>



**Days 17 - 19**

Wednesday  
17<sup>th</sup> August  
to  
Friday  
19<sup>th</sup> August

Madrid



**Catechesis and Youth Festival**

For 3 days at hundreds of venues spread across Madrid, small groups will gather to talk about faith and celebrate their journey which has brought them to this moment. There will be opportunities for Catechesis, daily Mass and Reconciliation.

The Youth Festival will bring music, dance and dramatic performances from around the world. On Thursday afternoon we celebrate the Pope's arrival. Friday will focus on the moving Way of the Cross.

(B,L,D daily)

**Day 20**

Saturday  
20<sup>th</sup> August

Madrid

**Pilgrimage Walk to WYD Vigil**

Pilgrims walk through the city as they converge on the outdoor site chosen for the historic WYD gathering. An afternoon of concerts, performances and song will unfold as pilgrims await the arrival of the Holy Father.

**Evening Vigil**

Share in a global sleep-out under the stars for a summer evening of unforgettable atmosphere as the young people gather with the Pope.

(B,L,D)

<p><b>Day 21</b> Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August</p>	<p>Madrid</p>	<p><b>XXVI World Youth Day</b> As the sun rises pilgrims share in morning prayer, breakfast and the climatic WYD Papal Mass with the youth of the world.  (B,L,D)</p>
<p><b>Day 22</b> Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August</p>	<p>Madrid</p>	<p>Free day  (B,D)</p>
<p><b>Day 23</b> Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August</p>	<p>Depart: Madrid</p>	<p>By air</p>
<p><b>Day 24</b> Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August</p>	<p>In flight</p>	
<p><b>Day 25</b> Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August</p>	<p>Arrive: Sydney</p>	

# Cost - \$5,790.00 pp

## Inclusions

### Transport:

- Economy class airfares
- Airport taxes, charges and fuel levies
- Transfers, touring and transport in deluxe air-conditioned coaches

### Touring:

- Sightseeing tours and excursions with entrance fees and local guides as indicated
- Local English guide Paris – Taize - Lyon
- Tips and gratuities for drivers and guides on tour

## Accommodation:

- **Paris** – budget ( 🌟🌟🌟 ) hotel
- **Taize** – dormitory style with shared facilities
- **Salamanca** (DID) – homes ? ? ?
- **Madrid** (WYD) – simple school style eg. classrooms, halls, parish centers etc
  - upgrade option to university residence accommodation available - \$495 pp

*Includes:* - private room with mostly ensuite facilities

- wholesome breakfast, boxed lunch and hot dinner daily

## Meals:

- **Paris** – breakfast/dinner daily at hotel
- **Taize** – 3 simple meals daily
- **Salamanca** (DID) – TBA
- **Madrid** (WYD) – 3 simple meals daily

# Exclusions

- Passports and Visa fees (if applicable)
- Meals not specified
- All beverages
- Travel insurance

