

Canadian Pilgrimage Cruise



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July 25th – August 2, 2020

Join Bishop Caggiano on a 9 Day Pilgrimage to Canada. We sail from Boston on **Holland Americas'** cruise ship **Amsterdam**. We sail up the East Coast stopping in Bar Harbor, Halifax, Sydney, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island. Cruising the Gulf of St. Lawrence, Quebec City where we visit the Shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre and Montreal. In Montreal we visit St. Joseph's Oratory where St. Andre is buried and the Kahnawake Reservation where St. Kateri is buried.

View the Itinerary online:

https://www.hollandamerica.com/en_US/find-a-cruise/N0N07B/A038.html

Our Pilgrimage Includes:

- Bus from Bridgeport to Boston
- 8 Canadian Day Cruise on Holland Americas' Amsterdam
- Mass and Visit of the Shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre
- First Class Hotel in Montreal – Breakfast Included
- Panorama of Montreal
- Mass and Visit of St. Josephs' Oratory
- Visit the Tomb of St. Andre "The Miracle Worker on Mount Royal"
- Sunday Vigil Mass at the Tomb of St. Kateri "the Lily of the Mohawks" and Visit of the Kahnawake Reservation
- Return Bus from Montreal to Bridgeport

Total Price for Land and Cruise:

Category I Inside Cabin Mid Ship: \$ 2,099.00 per person double
Category C Outside Cabin Mid Ship: \$ 2,379.00 per person Double
Category B Verandah Mid Ship: \$ 3,689.00 per person Double
Category A Verandah Mid ship: \$ 3,739.00 per person Double

Please Call Susan (888) 843 7373 for Single and Triple Rates

Itinerary

Sat July 25th: Bridgeport/Boston This morning we will meet our group at, 238 Jewett Ave., the Offices of the Diocese of Bridgeport where we will board our bus for Boston. Upon arrival, we board our cruise ship, **Holland America's Amsterdam**. After check-in we can relax in our cabins, enjoy a Buffet Lunch or just walk around the ship and get acquainted with our surroundings. At 4:00 PM we will set sail for our first port Bar Harbor

Sun, July 26th: Bar Harbor, Maine Located on Mount Desert Island in Maine, Bar Harbor is the quintessential New England coastal town. Picturesque and charming, it is a scenic and walkable town with streets lined with restaurants and boutiques. Dining on lobster is a must, as is a scoop or two at one of the town's homemade ice cream shops.

Walk around the town or take one of the Optional Tours offered by Holland America.

Mon, July 27th: Halifax, Nova Scotia Located on a rocky inlet on the Atlantic Ocean, Halifax—Nova Scotia's provincial capital—is defined by its maritime geography. It's a spirited mix of world-class history and nautical-themed museums alongside bunkers and fortresses that guarded the harbor, plus striking public art and sights, funky shops and excellent pubs serving up folk music (and good pints).

Explore the Halifax waterfront where steamships once anchored to drop off arriving immigrants at Pier 21.

Walk around the town or take one of the Optional Tours offered by Holland America.

Tue, July 28th: Sydney, Nova Scotia Sydney is the largest city on Cape Breton Island, which is linked by causeway to the rest of Nova Scotia. Sydney's attractions start at the harbor, where visitors can shop for locally made crafts and see the world's largest fiddle, which towers beside the port's cruise pavilion. Some of the city's historic houses and churches date back to the 1700s and 1800s and are open for tours. Restaurants often provide live music (expect fiddles and sea chanteys) along with meals of seafood fresh-caught in nearby waters. Sydney's galleries give visitors a chance to meet local artists and purchase their work.

A must-see: The Alexander Graham Bell National Historic Site, where the famous inventor made his summer home. This and many more tours are offered by Holland America.

Wed, July 29th: Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island Charlottetown is the capital of Canada's smallest province, Prince Edward Island, as well as its largest city, though it has fewer than 35,000 residents. Despite its modest size, the city has an impressive number of Victorian houses and buildings and great parks waiting to be explored. For Canadians, it is perhaps most famous as the Birthplace of Confederation. It was here, mostly at Province House, that an 1864 conference led to the creation of the Dominion of Canada.

Sites within downtown Charlottetown include the lovely Victoria Row. Nearby Prince Edward Island National Park is home to white-sand beaches and hiking and biking trails—plus fans can see the house and farm that inspired the beloved book *Anne of Green Gables*. Walk around the town or take one of the Optional Tours offered by Holland America.

Thu, July 30th: Cruising Gulf of St. Lawrence CRUISING ONLY

A lighthouse on little St. Paul's Island is a stark reminder of days gone by as you sail past this infamous old shipwreck site, known as the graveyard of the gulf, on your way through the Cabot Strait and into the Gulf of St. Lawrence. So huge is the gulf that half of Canada's 10 provinces have a coastal connection to it. Perhaps that's not surprising, considering that it's the world's largest estuary and fed all the way from the Great Lakes 750 miles away.

A mere 19,000 years ago, it was covered under a mile-thick sheet of ice. Every Canadian schoolkid knows that in 1534, Jacques Cartier was the first European known to enter the gulf waters and encounter Maritime Algonquian peoples. In short order, the French kept arriving, as did the Portuguese and Basque, who established whaling operations and shipped unimaginable amounts of cod to the Old World. Today, visitors come to explore massive islands, colorful towns and national parks that straddle the surrounding mainland, as well as thousands of tiny islets around which whales now thrive.

Bring your binoculars and plan to spend some time on deck searching for whales!

Fri, July 31st: Quebec City Few places in North America are as steeped in history as Québec City. Older than Jamestown and founded before the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock, it is the only city north of

Mexico whose original fortifications remain intact. The Québec City historic district, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is still home to religious orders and hospitals that date back to the 17th century. Its Place-Royale would look familiar to the explorer Samuel de Champlain, even with its modern attractions of gift shops and cafés.

Upon arrival in Quebec City, we board our motorcoach for the short journey to the Shrine of St. Anne-de-Beaupre.

We start our visit of the Shrine with Mass. After Mass we will have a tour of the Basilica and grounds. After our tour, we have free time for private devotion and shopping before our return to our ship.

The Shrine of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupre, <http://www.sanctuairesquebec.com/en/shrine-of-sainte-anne-de-beaupre> located only 20 minutes outside of **Québec City**, is the second oldest pilgrimage site in North America. Dedicated to Saint Anne, the grandmother of Jesus Christ, the shrine welcomes nearly one million visitors annually from all around the world.

Saint Lawrence River Cruising The nearly 750-mile stretch of the St. Lawrence River is a lighthouse lover's paradise, with more than 40 of them lining the Québec portion alone.

Centuries-old fishing villages line the mighty waterway that alternates between imposing cliffs and plateaus and broad estuaries filled with fertile islets. Humans have fished the rich river and hunted its tributary lands for some 10,000 years. Much is still not known about the two dozen St. Lawrence Iroquoian tribes that had vanished by the time Québec City founder Samuel de Champlain arrived in the early 17th century. The river was a major entry point for exploring North America, and during the Seven Years' War the British navigated to Québec City to defeat the French at the Plains of Abraham. Today, some 200 miles of the river are called the whale route, along which some 13 resident species thrive, including blue, beluga and white whales.

Sat, Aug 1st: Montreal, Quebec Upon arrival in Montreal, we disembark and board our bus for a Panorama of Montreal. Next we go to St. Joseph Oratory <https://www.saint-joseph.org/en/>

As we approach the mount, in the distance, we begin to see St. Joseph's Oratory. The oratory grew from a small chapel on Mount Royal to the magnificent Shrine dedicated to St. Joseph. This is one of the world's most visited shrines. The Oratory is a symbol of the Sacred Presence in the heart of the city.

Why an Oratory? Blessed Brother Andre, now Saint André of Montreal, was the humble doorkeeper of a boys' college. Brother Andre had a dream. He wanted a place of prayer to celebrate St. Joseph, for whom he had a special devotion. During almost 30 years, Brother Andre received thousands of pilgrims who claimed they had obtained physical, moral or spiritual favors because of his intercession. So much so, that soon, he became known in America as the "Miracle Worker on Mount Royal." Even today, every year, at least two million people come to the Oratory to find inspiration within its' sacred walls and to discover the presence of its' founder.

Next we visit the Kahnawake Reservation. This was the village of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, "the Lily of the Mohawks." St. Kateri is the *First Native American Saint*. We have a Sunday Vigil Mass at the Shrine of St. Kateri and then we will have a tour of the village. <http://kateritekakwitha.net/kateris-trail/>

After our visit, we check into our hotel. The remainder of our day is free to enjoy Montreal on our own.

Sun, Aug 2nd: Montreal/Bridgeport After Breakfast, at our hotel, we board our motorcoach for the return trip to Bridgeport. Sit back and relax while we pass through some of New York's most beautiful lakes and mountains. Late afternoon arrival in Bridgeport.

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