Join Father Bruce Harger with Church of the Epiphany

Alpine Wonders Tour

feat. the Oberammergau Passion Play

July 20-28, 2020

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July 20 & 21 – Depart the US and arrive in Munich
Depart the US and arrive in Munich where you will be met by our local representatives. Enjoy a tour of historic Munich, including a stop at the Rathaus (Town Hall) to watch the Glockenspiel. This historic clock from 1908 chimes its 43 bells and enchants viewers with its 32 life-size moving figures three times per day. You will also see the Opera House and the Hofbrauhaus. Enjoy some time to shop before transferring to your alpine hotel for your seven night stay.

July 22 – Innsbruck
The capital of Austria’s Tyrol region, Innsbruck is famous as the site of two winter Olympics. Follow your guide on your half-day morning tour through the quaint medieval streets of Old Town to the sparkling Golden Roof. The glittering sloping roof has been an opulent landmark since the 15th century. You’ll view Maria Theresa’s Imperial Palace, Triumphal Arch and visit the Hofkirche. Plus, you’ll have time to explore the medieval city on your own. This afternoon you may opt to take one of the two optional afternoon tours to either the Stubai Glacier or Swarovski Crystal Worlds.

July 23 – Castles & Churches
Today is a full day of photographic wonders. You will visit the beautiful Abbey of Ettal and the picture-perfect Church in the Meadow at Wies. You will tour the magnificent Castle of Linderhof, Mad King Ludwig's main residence. This small royal residence is a delightful fantasy home for any crazy king or up-and-coming mogul.

July 24 – Salzburg
Enjoy a full-day musical adventure as you explore the city of Mozart’s birth, Salzburg. You'll visit the Cathedral and famous Horse Fountain. You'll view Hellbrunn Castle, Mirabell Palace and -- from across the river -- see Leopoldskron Palace, which is famous as the film location for “The Sound of Music”.

July 25 – Day of Leisure with Passion Play Option
After the Black Plague, that was rampant in Europe, left their small village, the grateful people of Oberammergau promised God that they would show their gratitude by putting on a Passion Play. Over 380 years later you will get to enjoy this one-of-a-kind, six hour musical and dramatic performance. You will have reserved seats, a guided tour of the town and motorcoach transfers to and from the play’s theater. Dinner in Oberammergau is included. (Note: exact day of this Leisure Day/Passion Play experience is subject to change due to availability of play tickets.)

July 26 – Free Day or Optional Achensee Train and Boat Ride and Rattenberg Excursion
Enjoy a free day in the village or join the optional Achensee Train excursion. Travel on a narrow gauge steam cog railway aboard cars pulled by a 100 year old steam engine through 50 miles of the scenic Tyrolean region to scenic Lake Achensee. Enjoy a boat ride and traditional apple strudel, before travelling to the medieval village of Rattenberg for a glass-blowing demonstration and free time.

July 27 – Free Day or Optional Neuschwanstein Excursion
Enjoy a free day in the village or take a photo of the fairytale castle of Neuschwanstein that inspired Walt Disney. Then make your way up to the castle via horse-drawn carriages to the drawbridge and enter the beautiful castle. Enjoy a guided tour of the castle and hear stories about “Mad” King Ludwig II who commissioned the castle to be built in the 19th century. This optional tour requires you to be in good physical condition as there are many steep stairs and inclines.

July 28 – Depart Munich & return to USA or join an optional extension.

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR HOST
Father Bruce Harger

The last time I saw the Passion Play in Oberammergau was in 1960. I was six years old, but I still remember it. This could be the experience of a lifetime that you will never forget... and if you can afford to share it with a youngster, by all means, do it!

Save the date and bring a friend!

Father Bruce Harger
Switzerland Extension $1,398

July 28 - Liechtenstein, St. Gallen & Zurich
Depart from your Tyrolean village hotel and journey through the Alps to Switzerland. Visit the postage stamp sized country of Liechtenstein on your way. Step back in time and enjoy the Old World charm of its people and places. Continue your journey with a visit to the Abbey of St. Gallen, which houses one of the richest medieval libraries in the world. Arrive in Zurich and check into your hotel for your four-night stay.

July 29 - Zurich City Tour
Enjoy a half-day morning tour of Zurich. Zurich was home to Huldrich Zwingli, a contemporary of Luther and Calvin, leading the call for Reformation. Zwingli served as pastor of the Grossmunster (Great Church) in the 1520’s. Two other churches here deserve attention. The Fraumunster (Our Lady’s Church) has portions of architecture dating to the 13th century, and boasts stained glass windows by Marc Chagall. Finally St. Peter’s Church has the largest church clock face in the world. This afternoon you may choose to join the Rhine Falls optional excursion. Dinner is on own this evening.

July 30 - Lucerne
Travel to beautiful Lucerne where you will arrive as a stranger and leave as a friend. Enjoy a half-day tour of the 14th century city wall, which boasts nine different watchtowers and is one of the best preserved and longest fortifications in Europe. The colorful painted panels of Lucerne’s famous wooden Kappel Bridge depict the city’s history. See the twin towered Jesuit Church, which is one of the most handsome baroque buildings in Switzerland. For comparison visit the Hofkirche, built in the Renaissance style and the Franciscan Church, which was built in the high Gothic style. We will also view the sad and famous Lion Monument of Lucerne, which Mark Twain called the most mournful and moving piece of stone in the world. This afternoon you will have the option to explore more of Lucerne on your own or to take an optional cruise on Lake Lucerne.

July 31 - Interlaken
This morning travel to Interlaken, the heart of Switzerland. Flower-lined streets and the surrounding mountains will be familiar postcard images to you. Also familiar will be the towering nearby peaks of the Jungfrau, Eiger and Monch. This afternoon enjoy free time to wander, shop, and explore this town between two lakes, or you can take an optional cog wheel train ride from Lauterbrunnen to Grindelwald. Dinner is on own this evening.

August 1 - Depart Zurich & return to USA

Italy Extension $1,398

July 28 - Tyrol to Venice
Depart your Tyrolean Village and begin your journey to Venice. Drive through the Brenner Pass and enjoy spectacular views of the Dolomites, a mountain range between Austria & Italy. Check into your hotel in the Venice area for dinner and overnight.

July 29 - Venice
Enjoy a full-day tour of Venice. Rising between sea and sky this fascinating city boasts waterways and boats instead of roads and cars, encompassing 118 islands separated by more than 150 canals. Stand in the Piazza San Marco, bordered on three sides by palatial arcades in two tiers and faced on the other by the Basilica of St. Mark, one of the world’s most magnificent churches. Tour the Basilica with its treasure of marble and gold-background mosaics. From the square you can see the famous Bell Tower and the Clock Tower, as well as the charming pink and white Doge’s Palace. After seeing the romantic Bridge of Sighs, enjoy free time to explore on your own. You can shop, stroll along the bridges and canals or even indulge in a gondola ride along the Grand Canal. Dinner is on own this evening.

July 30 - Verona & Lake Garda
Travel to Verona, home to Roman ruins and a courtyard that is reminiscent of Shakespeare’s Romeo and Juliet, whose story was set in Verona. Stop at Lake Garda, Italy’s largest lake and enjoy the scenery before continuing on to Milan. Check into your hotel for dinner and overnight.

July 31 - Milan
Explore Milan today, home to great Fashion houses such as Armani, Versace and Dolce & Gabbana. This picturesque Italian city boasts the best of the old world and the new. Enjoy a city tour and a visit to the Teatrale alla Scala museum where you can learn about the history of Italian opera and see displays full of costumes and set pieces. This afternoon you may shop and explore on your own or take an optional tour to see Leonardo da Vinci’s “The Last Supper” mural (limited availability). Return to your hotel in Milan for dinner and overnight.

August 1 - Depart Milan & return to USA

Oberammergau Play History

Since 1634, the most famous Passion Play in the world has taken place in Oberammergau. The tradition, maintained and experienced almost without interruption for over 380 years, of putting on the play about the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ every ten years, will be continued for the 42nd time in 2020. It is regarded as the most important Passion Play in the world. The village at the edge of the Bavarian Alps expects approximately 500,000 visitors for the passion play, over half of which will be international guests. A special law is in effect to insure that all actors of the world’s largest amateur dramatic performance come from the village. All participants, from actors playing the big speaking parts such as Jesus, Mary or Judas, through members of the choir, orchestra members, firemen and ushers, must have been born in Oberammergau or lived there for at least 20 years. Over 2,000 Oberammergau villagers will participate in the 2020 Passion Play.

Village Extended Stay $598

July 28-31
Enjoy four additional nights in your quaint Tyrolean Village hotel with breakfast and dinner included each day. You will be on your own for touring during your extended stay. Your extended stay does include a return transfer to Munich airport.

August 1 – Transfer to Munich & return to USA
Guests taking an extension may be on a different flight than their group and/or traveling companion.

Taxes, Tips and Fees for extensions are charged separately

YOUR ALL INCLUSIVE PRICE INCLUDES:

Basic Tour & Guided Sightseeing
Roundtrip International Airfare
Admin. Fees, Entrance Fees, Hotel Gratuities & Program Fees
Daily Breakfast & Dinner, Deluxe Motorcoaches
First Class Hotels & much more!

Call for pricing from a city near you!
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Departure City:  
Date of Departure: 07/20/20  (A)  
First, Middle & Last Name must be submitted as it appears on your passport:

Guest 1: First Name: ______________________  (Preferred Name)  
Middle Name: ______________________  
Last Name: ______________________  
Title: ______________________

Street Address: ______________________  
P.O. Box: ______________________  
City: ______________________  
State: ______________________  
Zip Code: ______________________

Phone: ______________________  
Alt. Phone: ______________________

Email: ______________________

Birth Date: __/__/____  
State of Birth: ______________________  
Sex: ______________________  
Male  
Female

Emergency Contact: ______________________  
Relationship: ______________________  
Phone: ______________________  
Alt. Phone: ______________________

Tour Selection:  
Basic Program Only  
Add Switzerland Ext.  
Add Italy Ext.  
Add Village Extended Stay  
$200 Optional Passion Play Ticket

Guest 2: First Name: ______________________  (Preferred Name)  
Middle Name: ______________________  
Last Name: ______________________  
Title: ______________________

Street Address: ______________________  
P.O. Box: ______________________  
City: ______________________  
State: ______________________  
Zip Code: ______________________

Phone: ______________________  
Alt. Phone: ______________________

Email: ______________________

Birth Date: __/__/____  
State of Birth: ______________________  
Sex: ______________________  
Male  
Female

Emergency Contact: ______________________  
Relationship: ______________________  
Phone: ______________________  
Alt. Phone: ______________________

Tour Selection:  
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$200 Optional Passion Play Ticket

Roommate(s):  
If No Roommate:  Try to Match Me  
Single Room (availability limited)

Travel Insurance is strongly recommended, please contact Jocelyn Welsh for more information.

$1800 DEPOSIT PER PERSON REQUIRED  
FINAL PAYMENT DUE 01/22/20

Payment: $_______

via credit card (circle):  
VISA  
MASTERCARD  
DISCOVER  
AMEX

Card Number: ______________________  
Exp. Date: __/__/____

Name on Card: ______________________  
CVN: ______________________

By signing below, I/We certify that I/We have read the “Fine Print,” understand its content, and agree to its terms including but not limited to the potential for price increases that may apply before payment in full has been received as set forth in the “Fine Print” and potential price increases after payment in full has been received due to government imposed taxes and fees.

Guest 1 Signature: ______________________

Guest 2 Signature: ______________________

Tour: OA20  Date: 07/2020  Code: A ID: 28402  
10/23/19

THE FINE PRINT

INCLUDED IN PRICE:

- Roundtrip international airfare • Deluxe motorcoaches • 1st class hotels • Guided sightseeing
- Entrance fees to sites visited (as listed in itinerary) • Continental Breakfast • Dinner on most days • Hotel gratuities
- Projected Fuel surcharges of $900 • Projected Government Taxes of $98 (Increases in government tax and fees are subject to change)

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

- Optional Travel Protection Program (Contact Jocelyn Welsh)
- Extensions and optional sightseeing as listed in the brochure
- Miscellaneous fees such as individual transfers, passport service, laundry, lunches, beverages at meals & baggage fees
- Voluntary “Love Offering” for guide and driver • $100 Document fee for Non-US/Canadian residents
- Passion Play Ticket for full 6 hour performance
- Visa’s for non-US citizens
- Visas and Transfers for all ground only passengers

ALSO NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE - will appear on your statement:

- Extension Border taxes, visas, tips and other fees. 
- $29 for Switzerland; $29 for Italy post tour, $29 Village Stay.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Price is per person based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms are smaller than doubles. While we will try to match roommates, we cannot guarantee a roommate will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 30 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or you request a single room, you may be subject to a single supplement plus the following charges: 239-150 days = $400; 149-120 days = $800; 119-90 days = $1800; 89-76 days = 40%; 75 days to day of departure = 100% of total cost. Submit cancellation in writing. On or after day of departure, there will be no refund for any services not used.

FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT:

Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Be aware that due to the physical challenges on this tour, those needing oxygen, wheelchairs, or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting to their experiences.

PASSPORT INFORMATION:

Photo copies of the passport must be submitted to our office no later than 01/22/20. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date will result in change fees or denial of travel. Discrepancies in information or failure to check in for your flight on time may result in fees, delays or cancellation. In receiving travel documents for your trip, or denial of travel. Passports must be valid for at least 6 months after the return date.

PRICE INCREASES:

All prices quoted in this brochure are subject to change prior to payment in full due to currency fluctuations, fuel surcharge increases, government taxes and fees increases or unforeseen circumstances. In addition, you may be subject to a price increase after payment in full has been received due to potential government imposed taxes and fees.

AIRLINE ROUTES and TICKETS:

In order to keep prices low, we do not guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. Once “printed”, airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class on IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amenable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together on entire itinerary. If you choose to depart from a different city than your group or travelling companion, or deviate your flight and/or trip plans, and/or you are taking a pre or post tour, you may be subject to an extra charge. If you are making your own air arrangements, you are responsible for booking all needed flights for your travel unless specified otherwise. Contact your travel agent for further details.

FLIGHT TIMES:

All flights are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. We are not responsible for such changes or delays and does not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If you are making your own flight arrangements to the departure city, we recommend you purchase a ticket that can be exchanged without large penalties.

ADDITIONAL AIRLINE FEES:

You will likely incur additional airline checked baggage fees that are not included in the price of the tour. These fees vary by airline and are at the airline’s discretion on each segment of the flight itinerary. You may also incur optional fees i.e. food, excess baggage, overweight baggage, items of personal nature, etc.

DEVIATIONS AND AIR UPGRADE REQUESTS:

Deviation and Air Upgrade requests must be submitted in writing and are subject to additional airline fees. Deviations and Air Upgrades are not always possible given the group schedule and time of ticketing. Passengers who are ticketed with air deviations and/or upgrades will likely not fly with the group and will therefore need to provide their own transfers.

ITINERARY CHANGES:

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While you will see all sites listed in this brochure, the order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in air, hotel schedules, and local conditions. Due to airline schedules, some sites may not be available; if one or two extra leisure days at a nominal per day charge and some extensions may not be available on all departure dates. If itinerary changes necessitate extra overnight stays, you will be charged $125 per night; single rooms $175 per night. Meals for extra nights are not included.

VALIDITY DATE:

This brochure is valid until 04/23/20. Registrations will still be accepted after the validity date.

RELEASE INFORMATION:

Payment of deposit indicates permission for us to record the registrant’s participation and appearance on video tape, audio tape, film, photograph, or any other medium and to use the registrant’s name, likeness, voice, comments, submitted documentation, written papers, and/or biographical material without restriction or limitation for any advertising, marketing, publicity, educational or promotional purpose which we deem appropriate, unless the registrant or guardian otherwise notifies us in writing prior to deposit or final payment. Excerpt where otherwise stated, we act only as agent for the relevant supplier in securing hotels, transportation and other travel services and in no event shall we be liable for failure by any such supplier to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. We assume no liability for injury, death, damage, loss, theft, accident, delay or irregularity which may occur by reason of any negligent or willful act or omission of any suppliers of service. We do not own or operate any of the suppliers of services to your tour. Similarly without limiting the foregoing, passenger agrees to hold us harmless for any defect in any vehicle, plane, boat, bus, car, van or other vehicle, act of war or insurrection, terrorist action, revolt or other civil uprising, military action, strikes or labor unrest or any Act of God or for any other act of any third party.