

MISERICORDIA UNIVERSITY, Dallas, Pa
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TRANS WORLD TRAVEL, LTD Clarks Summit, Pa
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Present “Another Tour with a Difference”
Christmas Magic at the Markets
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Featuring Markets in
Rothenberg, Regensburg, Nuremberg, Oberndorf bei Salzburg, Salzburg, Linderhof Palace,
Oberammergau, Innsbruck, and Munich
Sunday, Nov 29th – Wednesday, Dec 9th 2020
\$2,995 (double occupancy based on 20)

Day 1: Sunday, November 29: We will depart by bus from John Passan Hall at 12 noon. Lufthansa flight #403 will depart from Newark at 6:10 PM. If you want to download your boarding pass, you can the night before we leave, or before you leave for Misericordia. The

locator number is ... You may also leave your car at a designated spot at Misericordia. If you plan on doing this I need the make and model of your car and its license plate.



hotel at 6:30pm.



Day 2: Monday, November 30: We will arrive in Frankfurt at 7:35 AM, and meet the bus. Sit back and relax as we head toward Rothenberg, one of Europe's most beautiful medieval towns. Rothenberg's enchantment has prevailed over the past 1,000 years and it continues to cast its spell. After checking into the hotel, you will have the rest of the afternoon to explore this grand place. A welcome dinner which will be served in our

Day 3: Tuesday, December 1: Spend the entire day in this quaint city or participate in an *optional tour of Nuremberg, Germany's most famous Christkindlesmarkt* [for an extra fee]. We will leave at 8:30 AM and arrive by 10 AM. We will then tour the city and among other things learn the origins of its famous gingerbread. Afterwards you will have time to explore the markets and grab a bite to eat. We will head back to Rothenberg at 3. After

supper on your own, there will be an optional one hour "*Rothenburg Night Watchman Tour*" at 8 PM for 8E. Those who choose to go will meet at the hotel at 7:30 and we will walk over to city Hall. We will then follow him through dark alleyways and across dimly lit squares and enjoy the special mood of the town at night. Listen to his stories and find out how the people lived in the Middle Ages – a wonderful finale to your time in this magical place. I suggest you carry a small flashlight in your pocket.

Day 4: Wednesday, December 2: We will leave Rothenberg at 8 AM. The ride to Regensburg is 2 hours. There we will visit the "Smiling Angel" in St. Peter's Cathedral and the Devil and his Grandmother in the back of the church! And you will have time to explore some of its markets. You will also have time for an 'on your own lunch' at the over 500 year-old historical *Wurstkuchl* by the Old Stone Bridge. We will leave at 1 PM and head to Oberndorf which is 3 hours away. There we will visit the place where Silent Night was composed, learn about the people for whom Gruber wrote and even give you time to karaoke with Elvis, if you so wish! We will eat dinner together in the village and then head out for Villa Trapp where we will stay for the next two nights. It was the home of the Von Trapp's family between 1923-1938. Learning about its treasures will be part of the registration!

Day 5: Thursday, December 3: We will go into Salzburg at 10 AM, and begin the day with a walking tour of the city; after which you will have plenty of time to explore the markets. Be sure and listen to the many small concerts that will be held on the steps of the Cathedral during the day. Spend the day as you wish and taxi home at your leisure. Dinner is on your own.

Day 6: Friday, December 4: We will leave Salzburg at 9 AM to go to Linderhof Castle. It will take two and a half hours. It was King Ludwig's favorite castle. After an on your own lunch we will visit it. We will also *see* Ludwig's more famous Neuschwanstein, and spend some time in the village. On to Oberammergau and check in to our hotel where we will be for the next two nights. Our group dinner will be at 6:30 PM in the Hotel.



Day 7: Saturday, December 5: Treat yourself to the quaintness of this Bavarian village with its many wood carving shops and decorated houses. And prepare your heart for the arrival of Krampus, the dark companion of St Nicholas who ferrets out naughty children the night before Nicholas arrives. Every adolescent and their father in Oberammergau dress as Krampus and they run around the town while the children taunt them. Toward the end of the evening all Krampus' band together and lead the procession that brings Nicholas in. It is a hoot.

Day 8: Sunday, December 6: We will leave Oberammergau at 9 AM and travel to Innsbruck, a small city surrounded by mountains and the capital of the Austrian state of Tirol, which is a little over an hour away. On arrival, we will go to the top of the city for a panoramic view, and then check into the Hotel Innsbruck. Afterwards I will take you on a walking tour of the *Kiebachgasse* where Fairy-tale characters, such as Rapunzel peer down from the windows. Later you can grab *Kiachln*, Advent doughnuts, served hot, with cranberry sauce and visit the markets, the most romantic of which are in the Altstadt. At dusk, trumpeters play carols on the 500-year-old porch of The Golden Roof. Dinner is on your own.

Day 9: Monday, Dec 7: Today is a free day. Visit the city's Tyrolean Folk Museum, Maximilian's tomb, or ride the Funicular up the Nordkette to the top of the Hafelkar for views of twinkling city lights and snow-tipped peaks. Or you may even take a train ride through the Alps to the Italian town of Bolzano [previously Austrian Bozen] to experience its markets. We will meet for dinner at 6:45 which will be at the Ottoburg Restaurant, at 7 PM. It is in one of the oldest buildings in town.

Day 10: Tuesday, December 8: The ride to Munich is about 2 hours. Holiday Music will accompany us on the way. On arrival, we will see the city with a guide, and perhaps be blessed by the Christ Child for a 5 cents euro! Afterwards, you can enjoy the markets. For those who feel they need a break from the markets, there is much to see within walking distance of the city itself [as for example, the Renaissance Fair]. You may also choose to have lunch at the *Ratskeller*, which is a Bavarian treat. Afterwards, we will check in at the Admiral and choose a time when those who wish can walk back into town for Mass at the Cathedral and/or go to the *Hofbrauhaus* for an on your own dinner and an experience you will never forget!



Day 11: Wednesday, December 9: The morning is free. Our bus departs at 12:45 PM for the Munich Airport. Lufthansa #412 departs at 3:35 PM and arrives in Newark at 7:05 PM. From here we will bus ride back to Misericordia University.

INCLUSIONS

Visit: Linderhof Palace

Meal Inclusions:

- Breakfast with hotel overnight
- Welcome dinner at the hotel in Rothenberg
- Dinner in Oberndorf bei Salzburg
- Dinner in the Hotel, Oberammergau
- Farewell dinner Ottoburg Restaurant in Innsbruck

Accommodations

Tilman Riemenschneider (2)

Address: Georgengasse 11, 91541 Rothenburg ob der Tauber, Germany

Villa Trapp's Palace (2)

Address: Traunstraße 34, 5026 Salzburg, Austria



AKZENT Hotel Turmwirt (2)

Address: Ettaler Str. 2, 82487 Oberammergau, Germany

Hotel Innsbruck (2)

Address: Innrain 3, 6020 Innsbruck, Austria

Hotel Admiral (1)

Address: Kohlstraße 9, 80469 München, Germany

Transportation:

- The Bus Transfer from Misericordia University to Newark for an additional charge.
- Airport transfers
- Transportation at destination is by a private tour bus

Travel Guard Insurance: See Chuck if you would like it.

If interested send ***a 250.00 deposit made out to TRANS WORLD TRAVEL, LTD***
along with your application to

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