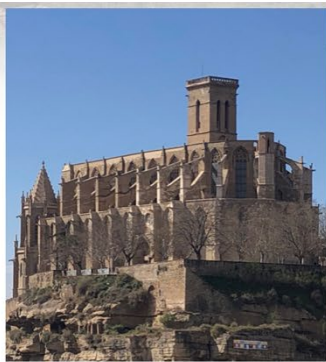
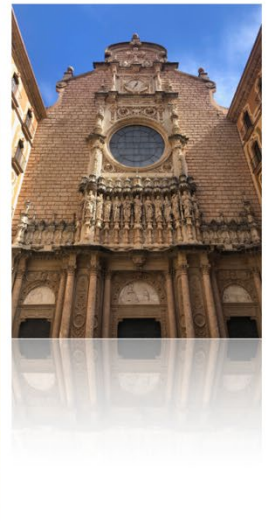
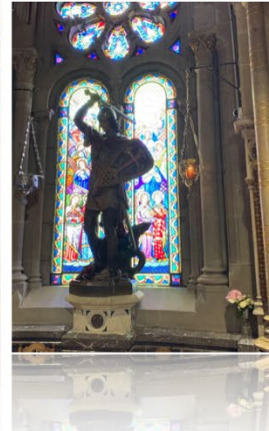
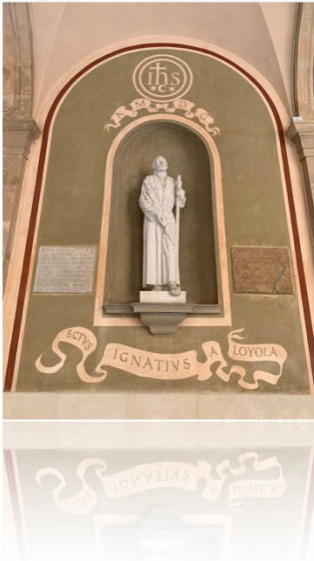


# FOOTSTEPS OF IGNATIUS PILGRIMAGE. 2025



## The Shrine of Our Lady of Montserrat



Spent 11 months at Manresa in prayer. Begins to make the notes which will become the Spiritual Exercises

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### Graduate Ministry is pleased to offer the footsteps of Ignatius Pilgrimage for 2025

Pilgrimage will travel through Spain visiting important sites in the life of St Ignatius Loyola and the early Jesuits, including Loyola Castle (family home, the location of his birth, and the location of his conversion), Montserrat, and the cave in Manresa.

This pilgrimage is designed to deepen our understanding of the mission of Loyola Marymount University by providing participants with the opportunity to engage with important texts and share in the lived experience of retracing the footsteps of St Ignatius Loyola as part of a retreat.

#### **Date**

February 28 to 8<sup>th</sup>

#### **Cost**

Students: \$3,000 plus tips and purchasing own airline ticket

Guests: #3,500 plus tips and purchasing own airline ticket

#### **Payment by January 20th**

[https://lmutpg.lmu.edu/C20995\\_ustores/web/product\\_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=1243&SINGLESTORE=true](https://lmutpg.lmu.edu/C20995_ustores/web/product_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=1243&SINGLESTORE=true)

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## Itinerary

### ITINERARY:

#### 01/03/2025 (SAT) – BARCELONA / ARRIVAL

Arrival at Barcelona airport and reception by English-speaking assistant.  
Transfer to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

#### 02/03/2025 (SUN) – BARCELONA

Buffet breakfast in the hotel. We'll begin our day with a panoramic city tour (with local guide) of the city including Basilica of Sagrada Familia, Gothic Quarter and the famous boulevard las Ramblas (all external visits)  
Dinner and overnight in hotel.

#### 03/03/2025 (MON) – BARCELONA / MONTSERRAT / MANRESA (60KM+25KM)

Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Departure by bus to Montserrat for a tour (with local guide): through a guided itinerary around the monastery's exteriors, we will discover its history and significant artistic heritage (tickets and rack railway included). We will visit the Montserrat Museum (entrance included), declared a Museum of National Interest in 2006. Its collection includes various collections: ancient painting, modern painting, archaeology, Byzantine icons, and the iconography of the Virgin of Montserrat. Includes access to the Virgin's Chapel.

At the agreed time, on to Manresa for dinner and overnight.

#### 04/03/2025 (TUE) – MANRESA / ZARAGOZA (260KM)

Buffet breakfast in the hotel. We will visit the town of Manresa along the River Cardoner. It is here that Saint Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Jesuits, or Society of Jesus, spent some 10 months in prayer and meditation and where Saint Ignatius saw a vision and went on to write the "Spiritual Exercises" from 1522-24.

Here we will visit and celebrate Holy Mass inside the Cave of Saint Michael (subject to availability).

On to Zaragoza for dinner and overnight.

#### 05/03/2025 (WED) – ZARAGOZA

Buffet breakfast in the hotel. This morning, we visit the Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar, the place where Mary appeared to the Apostle James before her Assumption into heaven. We celebrate Holy Mass at the Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar (subject to availability).

Rest of the day is free at leisure.

Dinner and overnight in the hotel.

#### 06/03/2025 (THU) – ZARAGOZA / LOYOLA (290KM)

Buffet breakfast in the hotel. After breakfast, proceed to Loyola and visit the 17th century Sanctuary of Loyola, one of the world's most unusual Baroque constructions. The sanctuary was built in honour of St Ignatius of Loyola. The Sanctuary complex also includes the ancestral home of the Loyola family, where the saint was born; the medieval Parish Church

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of San Sebastián de Soreasu where he was baptized; the hermitage of Our Lady of Olatz, where he used to pray and began his conversion.

Rest of the day is free at leisure.

Dinner and overnight in the hotel.

### 07/03/2025 (FRI) – LOYOLA / BILBAO (75KM)

Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Free time in the Sanctuary of Loyola. Transfer to Bilbao to visit (with local guide) the city, with its main touristic points.

Dinner and overnight in the hotel.

### 08/03/2025 (SAT) – BILBAO / DEPARTURE

Buffet breakfast in the hotel.

Free time at leisure until it is time to transfer to Bilbao airport for your flight back home.

#### INCLUDED IN THE PRICE:

- Deluxe private motorcoach for all the transfers according to the above program.
  - Baggage allowed on the motorcoach:
  - One big suitcase (dimensions: 75x55x30cm)
  - One small carry-on hand luggage, like backpack or bag (dimensions: 30x30x15cm)
- Road taxes, parking fees and special permissions to enter the cities.
- English-speaking assistant on arrival at Barcelona Airport
- English-speaking Tour Escort from the first until the last day
- Semi centrally located Superior Tourist Class Hotels with double/twin rooms.
- Accommodation City Taxes in the hotels
- Meals (half-board):
  - Continental Buffet breakfast (B)
  - Dinner / set menu (D)
- Visits with an English-speaking local guide:
  - Barcelona
  - Montserrat
  - Bilboa
- Entrance to:
  - Montserrat Museum in Montserrat
- Ticket for the rack and railway in Montserrat
- Headphones for the city tours where it is compulsory.
- Booking of daily Holy Mass (if there is a Priest in the group).

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- Hotel taxes and service charges.
- One free for every fifteen (15) full paying participants.
  - First free in single / second free sharing in twin.

### EXCLUDED FROM THE PRICE:

- Lunches and drinks
- Tips for our driver / guides / tour manager
- Everything that is not mentioned under: "Included in the Price".
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance
- Visa fees
- Courier fees
- Single room supplement

### DISCLAIMER:

Occasionally local religious and national holidays, weather, traffic conditions and other events may necessitate changes in the sequence of events or the missing of certain events/places. Though every effort will be made to follow the itinerary, it should be considered as an indication, rather than a contract of events and places to be visited.

### Passports, Visas, Visa Waiver & Documents

A valid passport is required, and it must be valid at least 6 months after your return date. It is the traveller's sole responsibility to obtain and have available, when necessary, the appropriate valid travel documents.

All travellers are advised to check with the appropriate government authority in each country visited to determine the necessary documents. When and if a visa or visa waiver are required, it is the responsibility of all passengers to obtain a visa.

Inspiration Tours, its owner, agent, or employees cannot be held liable for clients not having a valid passport, visa, visa waiver, or other travel documents. Cancellations due to a lack of appropriate documents will incur usual penalties. A Passport Card is not useful for International Air Travel. Attempting to use this instead of a Passport Book will result in a denial of boarding by the airlines and entry by the legal authorities.

### Visa for Europe (Etias)

As of May 2025, Americans, Canadians, Australians will need to apply online for travel authorization for Europe.

The program is called ETIAS. Some refer to it as "visa for Europe" it is not a traditional visa but needs basic details about the traveller and their trip.

This applies to all travellers.

Approximate Fee: \$9. Per Person

Approval will be sent by email within one (1) hour but could take up to four (4) days.

Once granted, it is valid for three (3) years of multiple entry or until passport expires.

The length of stay in Europe for US tourists (90 days within a 180-day period) remains unchanged.

One must have an email address.

Our understanding is that the application will be easy, and it will be done online.

The exact start date for applications is still unknown.