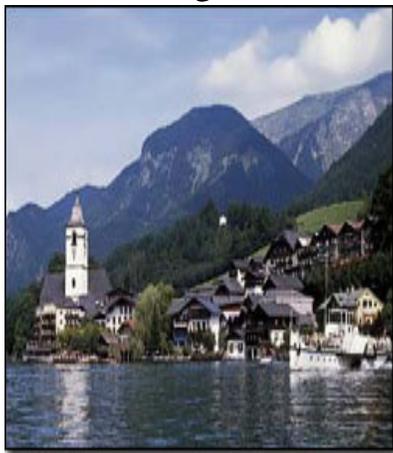


St. Meinrad Archabbey and Fr. Jeremy King Invites All On A Discovery of Benedictine Chant in *Austria & Switzerland*



Wolfgang See



Imperial Palace of Schonbrunn



St. Benedict

Highlights of the St. Meinrad Tour **April 9 - 18, 2008**

In Austria you will visit the regal cities of:

Vienna, Melk, Salzburg, Kremsmunster and Wolfgang See

In Switzerland you will visit these charming cities:

Einsiedeln, Engelberg, Kloster Fahr and Lucerne

Enjoy sightseeing tours at several Abbeys, Archabbeyes and Cathedrals Including:
**St. Stephen's Cathedral, Melk Abbey, the Imperial Palace of Schonbrunn, Karlskirche,
Kremsmunster Abbey, Salzburg Cathedral, St. Peter's Abbey, Pacher Altar,
Nonnberg Abbey, Michaelbeuern Abbey, Einsiedeln Abbey and Kloster Fahr**

Traverse the beautiful 'Sound of Music' countryside and see the Austrian and Swiss Alps scenery.

Please join us on a Pilgrimage of Faith to some of the most beautiful parts of the European Church. The influence of monastic communities from Austria and Switzerland has been great on our Church in the United States. I have selected some opportunities for liturgical, musical and cultural enrichment as we travel from Vienna, through Salzburg and into the Alps of Switzerland. The combination of springtime and the Eastertide Liturgical season should provide for an all around marvelous experience. The celebration of Mass by the group each day and the opportunities to join the monastic communities will enhance the spirituality of our journey. We will be learning some simple chants, both Latin and English, for our celebrations. Singers and non musicians are both welcome to join us and be in awe by the sights and the sounds.

Fr. Jeremy King, OSB, Choirmaster, Saint Meinrad Archabbey

For more information, visit the website designed especially for this tour:

www.StMeinrad.ChoirTravelInfo.com


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St. Meinrad Itinerary:

Day 1: Depart USA for overnight flight to Vienna.

Day 2: Arrive Vienna/Sightseeing

(D)

Upon arrival at Vienna airport you will be met and greeted by your Tour Escort. Arriving in Vienna you will enjoy a panoramic tour with a visit of St Stephen's Cathedral (depending on arrival time, *Mass will be scheduled at the Cathedral or St. Peter's*) before checking in to your hotel. Welcome Dinner at the hotel. Overnight at the hotel. (Vienna)

Day 3: Melk Abbey/Schoenbrunn Palace/Vienna

(CB)

Continental breakfast at the hotel, followed by early *Mass at Karlskirche*, then a full day of sightseeing in Melk and Vienna. You will meet your coach and guide and depart for Melk for a visit of the famous Abbey. Melk has been a spiritual and cultural center of the country for more than 1000 years, first as a castle for the Babenbergs, then from 1089 onward as a Benedictine monastery. For over 900 years monks have continued in the tradition of St. Benedict without interruption in the fields of parish life, school, economy, culture, and tourism. Enjoy a guided tour of the Abbey then return to Vienna to visit Schloss Schönbrunn. The Imperial Palace of Schönbrunn is one of the most important cultural monuments in Austria. Protected by a preservation order, the whole ensemble, which includes the palace, the park with its fountains, statues and architectural features as well as the zoo, the oldest of its kind still in use in its original function. Overnight at the hotel. (Vienna)

Day 4: Vienna/Kremsmünster Monastery/Salzburg

(CD,D)

Continental breakfast at the hotel. Depart from Vienna to Salzburg. Stop enroute at *Kremsmünster, where Mass is celebrated*. The monastery was founded in 777 by Tassilo III, Duke of Bavaria. The first colony of monks came from Lower Bavaria, under Fateric, the first abbot. The monastic library was famous and drew eminent scholars to Kremsmünster, where several important historical works were written, including histories of the bishops of Passau and of the dukes of Bavaria, and the chronicles of the abbey itself. Arrival in Salzburg, check in to your hotel. Dinner at a local restaurant and overnight at the hotel. (Salzburg)

Day 5: Salzburg Sightseeing/Sound of Music Tour/Salzburg

(CB)

Continental breakfast at the hotel. Full day tour of Salzburg. Begin with celebration of *Mass at Salzburg Cathedral*, probably the city's most significant architecture and its ecclesiastical center. With its magnificent façade and mighty dome it represents the most impressive early Baroque edifice north of the Alps. Its origin is closely connected to the ecclesiastical principality's demeanor and growth. Destroyed by fire and rebuilt, enlarged and expanded, it bears witness to the power and independence of Salzburg's archbishops. Continue to St Peter's Abbey. The neighborhood around the Benedictine St. Peter's Abbey is the oldest quarter of Salzburg. The church of St. Peter's Abbey is high-Romanesque, but was decorated with Baroque elements in the early 17th century under Abbot Beda Seeauer. It is one of the many buildings in Salzburg that contains elements from Romanesque to Rococo Style. In the afternoon, you will enjoy the Sound of Music Tour; a wonderful ride with breathtaking views of the landscape where the opening scenes were filmed. You will be shown not only the highlights of the film 'Sound of Music' but also the historical and architectural landmarks in the city, as well as a part of the picturesque lake district. Also visit the Wolfgang See and see the Pacher Altar – great walking around the lake. Overnight at the hotel (Salzburg)

Day 6: Salzburg/Nonnberg Abbey/Einsiedeln, Switzerland

(CB,D)

Continental breakfast at the hotel. Today you will leave Salzburg but not before a visit of Nonnberg Abbey; The nunnery of Fräulein Maria in The Sound of Music. The nunnery consists of the church Maria Himmelfahrt, the cloisters, a pillared hall, the convent itself, a kitchen court and refectory (dining hall), the old abbey, the St. John's chapel, the Pieta chapel and a number of smaller buildings. Just outside Salzburg you will stop to visit *Michaelbeuern Abbey to celebrate Mass*. The abbey today is a thriving Benedictine community, well-known as an educational center. From 1641 onward, the abbey was a member of the Salzburg Congregation, which in 1930 was merged into the present Austrian Congregation of the Benedictine Confederation. Your journey will continue to Einsiedeln, where you will arrive in the evening. Dinner at a local restaurant and overnight at the hotel. (Einsiedeln)

Day 7: Einsiedeln Abbey/Engelberg Benedictine Chants

(CB)

Continental breakfast at the hotel. *Celebrate Mass at the Abbey in Einsiedeln or Meinrad Chapel* followed by a guided tour in Einsiedeln to visit the Abbey with a tour of the cloister and a slide presentation supported by bishops, the nobility (especially by the duchess Reginlinda) and the royal house. Einsiedeln became a spiritual and cultural center for the whole Alemannic region and influenced Bavaria and Upper Italy. The abbey of Einsiedeln with its Marian Shrine became the focus of Swiss Catholic piety and culture. In the 19th and 20th century, the vitality of the abbey allowed the monks to make various monastic foundations in North and South America, some of which grew bigger than Einsiedeln. In the afternoon, visit the cloister in Engelberg. There is a possibility to enjoy Benedictine Chants for 30 Minutes this evening and also a possibility of listening to 15 minutes play of the biggest Organ in Switzerland Overnight at the hotel. (Einsiedeln).

Day 8: Touring Hills of Einsiedeln Region

(CB)

Continental breakfast at the hotel. *Celebrate Mass at Einsiedeln Crypt or Meinrad Chapel*. Today meet your guide and depart for a visit of Kloster Fahr and Einsiedeln Region. Gently rolling hills, lush pastures, tranquil moors and idyllic Lake Sihl, the impressive Ybrig massif in the background - the region of Einsiedeln is located here in the high valley of Sihl. Nestled in the foothills of the Alps, easily reached from Zurich and Lucerne, a visit to the Einsiedeln region is an unforgettable experience. Overnight at the hotel. (Einsiedeln)

Day 9: Einsiedeln/Mount Pilatus Cog Railway/Lucerne

(CB,D)

Continental breakfast at the hotel. *Celebrate Early Mass in Einsiedeln*. Then, depart to Lucerne. On arrival in Lucerne meet your guide and take a ride with the on Mount Pilatus Cogwheel Railway. Enjoy a spectacular view of mountain tops and lakes (weather conditions permitting). Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight at hotel. (Lucerne)

Day 10: Return to USA

Transfer to Zurich airport for your flight home.

Your 10 - Day Pilgrimage Includes:

- Roundtrip airfare from Cincinnati to Vienna, returning from Zurich on scheduled Commercial Airline
- Eight (8) nights of 3 Star accommodation: (2) nights in Vienna, (3) nights in Salzburg (2) nights in Einsiedeln and (1) night in Lucerne
- English speaking Escort while in Europe
- Four (4) dinners, including a welcome dinner, farewell dinner, & Continental breakfast daily
- Sightseeing according to the itinerary in a luxury motor coach
- Arrangements of Mass as specified in the itinerary (subject to confirmation)
- Hotel taxes and portorage for 1 piece of luggage per person

* Per person; double occupancy. Add air tax, government fees and fuel surcharges estimated at \$275 per person. **Price reflects an Early Booking Savings of \$100 per person for deposits received before Sept. 15th 2007. Price reflects a \$75 discount for those paying the total cost of the tour by cash or check.** Please see TERMS & CONDITIONS for additional applicable pricing specifications. Rates based on June 2007 exchange rate. Exchange rates, taxes, tariffs and fuel surcharges are subject to increase prior to tour departure.

**Early Booking
Special:
\$2,999***

The tour does not include:

- Air taxes, government fees, and fuel surcharges, estimated currently at \$275 per person
- Meals not specifically identified
- Gratuities payable to guides and drivers
- Other personal expenses
- Items not specifically mentioned above

Reservation Form

St Meinrad Archabbey – Austria & Switzerland

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Please fill out one reservation form per person. Photo copies of form are permitted.

Name _____
(As it appears on your passport) If Under 18: Age _____ (see back)

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code: _____ Home Phone (____) _____

Other Phone (____) _____ Email address _____

(Roommate) _____

___ I would like land only; I will be responsible for my own air and will sign a Land Only Waiver

___ I would like a roommate; please put me in touch with other passengers looking for a roommate

___ I prefer a single room and will pay an additional \$400, which is due with my balance

Preferred Name for Name Badge _____ (Your Name)

Preferred Name for Name Badge _____ (Roommate)

Payment Schedule: Deposit \$350 to book. Balance due 75 days before departure

As Noted in TERMS & CONDITIONS: \$2,999 price reflects a cash discount of \$75 for tours paid by entirely by cash or check. \$2,999 price also reflects an Early Booking Savings of \$100 per person for deposits received on or before September 15, 2007.

Make check payable to Corporate Travel Service or use Credit Card. Visa or MasterCard (circle one)

Name as it appears on Card _____ Amount \$ _____

Card Number _____

Security code (back of card) _____ Expiration _____

Card Billing Address _____

I have received, read and agree to the TERMS & CONDITIONS on the backside of this form and the Liability clause and payment terms outlined on this side of the form. I also understand that Corporate Travel Service highly recommends the purchase of travel insurance and that the cancellation terms and penalties cannot be waived for any reason. If I decline to purchase travel insurance, I understand that there is no monetary recourse for any flight cancellations or delays by the airlines and I agree to the cancellation terms and penalties:

Signature _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian if Under 18 _____

Please mail payments to:

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Website: www.ctscentral.net

Liability: In making arrangements for accommodations, meals, transportation, transfers, excursions, sightseeing and other services included in the tour, Corporate Travel Service, Inc., is acting only as an agent for the following suppliers of travel services, i.e. all airlines, all hotels, all ground handlers, all transfer companies, all restaurants, all sightseeing attractions, all entertainment, all bus companies, all museums and all cruise lines and is not liable for any accident, injury, damage, loss, illicit act, delay or other irregularity which may be caused by the defect of any vehicle or the negligence or default of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger or carrying out the arrangements of this tour. Should Fr. Jeremy King be unable to participate in this event, every effort will be made to secure a substitute. Regardless of whether Fr. Jeremy King, the tour will proceed as scheduled on that date. By signing this form to participate in this tour, you agree that the terms of the cancellation penalty will be binding upon you regardless of whether Fr. Jeremy King is able to participate. Corporate Travel Service will not be responsible for any loss incurred by traveller, including lost days of the scheduled tour, due to a cancelled flight or other means and modes of transportation. Please investigate purchasing travel insurance as recommended, to cover any type of loss associated with cancelled air or other transportation.

**CANCELLATION INSURANCE IS
HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**

For optimum insurance coverage, purchase travel insurance within 14 days of deposit.

*Call Travel Guard at
800-549-9037 & give them*

Corporate Travel's Agent ID: 23611545

TERMS & CONDITIONS

PAYMENT: In order to meet deposit schedules with suppliers for this tour, Corporate Travel Service asks for prompt payment on the requested dates. Please see the reservation form for the payment schedule. The advertised price is based on 41 passengers, tariffs, exchange rates, air line fuel surcharges and taxes in effect when the tour was organized and are subject to increase before tour departure. Price of the tour may have to be adjusted before final payment to reflect any increase in tariffs, fluctuation in exchange rates and/or fuel surcharges.

Corporate Travel Service accepts cash, check, money orders and Visa and MasterCard for payment. In order to qualify for the advertised price, traveler must pay entire tour (deposit and final payment) by cash or check. The discount for payment by cash or check will be made after final payments are received.

CANCELLATION POLICY: All cancellations must be received in writing. Cancellations received more than 90 days before departure will forfeit \$100 per person. Forfeit entire deposit for cancellations received between 75 and 90 days before departure. After 75 days before departure, no refund. **Penalties will be according to the fax or postmark date.**

STATE DEPARTMENT & OTHER AGENCIES: From time to time the State Department (www.state.gov) and the Center for Disease Control (www.cdc.gov) and other government agencies and departments issue travel advisories or warnings for one or more of the destinations that you may be visiting on tour. We encourage you to contact these agencies directly to obtain the most current information. Corporate Travel Service cannot change the cancellation terms or conditions based on the issuance of any such warning or advisory or the occurrence of any terror, health or other incident in one or more of the places this tour is scheduled to visit. All cancellation penalties must remain in full force and effect as outlined on the reservation form.

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ROOMS: Tour prices are per person according to a room type: a "Single" room is one person in a room and a "Double" is two persons in one room. "Triple" rooms are discouraged because of cramped quarters. Triples are one double bed with two persons sharing the bed and one single bed. Triples are not always available.

CHECKED LUGGAGE: Checked baggage is limited to one bag per person. There can be no exceptions. For most airlines, the one checked bag is limited to **50 pounds and 62 inches** (length + width + height). If these specifications are exceeded, excess charges may be collected by the airline at the airport. Do not lock baggage you intend to check in at the airport. Please confirm these specifications when you receive your final travel documents, as they can and do change.

CARRY ON LUGGAGE: You may also bring a small carry-on bag that will fit under an airline seat and on the small parcel racks of the motor coach, which average about 8 inches high by 18 inches deep. It is best if your carry-on bag is soft sided, as the parcel racks on the motor coaches are small. Currently, travellers are allowed to transport only small amounts of liquids, gels, lotions, aerosols or similar items on their person or in their carry-on luggage. Details will be in your final travel documents.

GRATUITIES: Unless otherwise noted as included, gratuities for your escort, driver and guides are not included. In Europe it is customary to tip the escort (3) Euros and the driver two (2) Euros per person per day. The tip for the local guides is usually about one (1) Euro for half-day tours and two (2) Euros for full day tours.

PASSPORT: A valid U.S. Passport is required of all passengers. Please apply for your passport immediately as passports are taking a long time to process. Make sure to have it in your possession at all times while on tour. **It must be valid for 6 months following the return date of the trip or boarding may be denied or entry into the destination may be forbidden. Please provide Corporate Travel Service with a copy of the inside page of your passport (showing your name and photo) at the time of reservation.** A color copy is preferred.

GROUP AIR: Due to the airlines' reduced capacity and restrictive group reservation terms, group air reservations are often difficult to coordinate. The number of connections, length of layovers, and all conditions surrounding air travel cannot be guaranteed and may change before departure. Accordingly, if you require specific air travel needs and are not flexible concerning group air travel, **you may wish to consider purchasing a Land-Only package** and secure your own preferred air arrangements. In this case, you must notify Corporate Travel Service no less than 120 days before departure, be responsible for meeting the group at a specified location and time on the tour, and sign a Corporate Travel Service Land Only Waiver. Land only passengers are responsible for arranging and the cost of transfers to and from the airport. Corporate Travel Service will not be responsible for any loss incurred by traveller due to a cancelled flight or other means of transportation. Please investigate purchasing travel insurance to cover any type of loss associated with cancelled air or other transportation. **Seat Requests:** Corporate Travel Service will request specific seating, but there is no guarantee that the airline will honor our request.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: Unless otherwise notified, Corporate Travel Service will mail to you or your group leader a more detailed itinerary and General Information Sheet approximately 2 weeks or 10 days before departure.

ITINERARY: The Itinerary as presented in this brochure is tentative and represents what we are planning for you, however it is subject to confirmations from many organizations. Because of changes in local schedules, we may need to alter specified events, dates and/or venues to better fit the overall plan.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS: Travellers must be medically and physically fit for this tour. Most tours require significant walking, as motor coaches are not permitted to pick up and drop off in front of major attractions. Should any special assistance be required, traveller agrees to bring a companion capable and willing to assist traveller.

CHILDREN UNDER 18: For a minor under the age of 18 to travel out of the United States without both parents or legal guardians, a notarized affidavit must be obtained and presented to immigration officials upon departure and return to the United States. You may request a form from our office.



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