

# Sacred Heart Heritage Tours



# St. Louis · St. Charles Florissant · Ste. Geneviève





4-5 Days



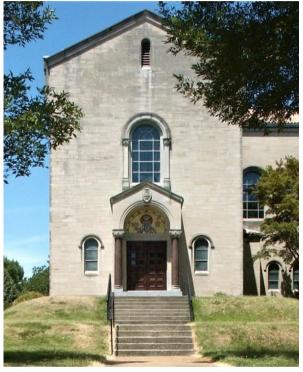
Dome of the Twelve Apostles, St. Louis Cathedral

## ST. LOUIS

- <u>Cathedral Basilica</u> Featuring stunning glass mosaics by the late Hildreth Meière, a Manhattanville alumna
- Walk of Fame (Delmar Loop) St. Philippine Duchesne is one of the inductees.
- Union Station Hotel / The Cheshire



Walk of Fame



Shrine of St. Philippine

## ST. CHARLES

- Academy of the Sacred Heart -The oldest Sacred Heart school in North America, established in 1818
- Shrine of St. Philippine Duchesne -Her burial site is on the grounds of the Academy.
- ✓ <u>Katy Trail</u> Walk or bike along the Missouri River.
- Lewis and Clark's
- Boone's Colonial Inn



### **FLORISSANT**

Old St. Ferdinand Shrine - Historic complex consisting of a convent, church, rectory, and schoolhouse, all constructed in the 1800s. The church's cornerstone was a aift from Philippine, who once lived and taught at the site.

## Hendel's



The church at Old St. Ferdinand

## STE. GENEVIÈVE

Founded circa 1735 by French Canadians, who named it after the patron saint of Paris, **Ste. Geneviève** is the oldest permanent European settlement in Missouri. The Vieux Village section of town is replete with 18th-century buildings featuring French Creole architecture. A food lover's destination, the area is home to several wineries, top restaurants, and a cooking school (60 miles south of St. Louis).

The Southern Hotel



Maison Bequette-Ribault, a rare example of a "poteaux-en-terre," or post-in-ground, construction

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## New Orleans • Grand Coteau



🥡 United States (Louisiana)



4 Days

### **NEW ORLEANS**

On May 29, 1818, Philippine Duchesne and four other Religious of the Sacred Heart arrived in New Orleans following a 10-week transatlantic crossing. After a brief stay in the city, they took advantage of the recently inaugurated steamboat service and sailed up the Mississippi River to St. Louis, eventually settling in St. Charles, in what was then the Missouri Territory.

\*This sojourn in Louisiana is available as a prelude to the Missouri portion of our tour; it includes time in both the Big Easy and Grand Coteau, which is just north of Lafayette, in the heart of Cajun and Creole Country.



Constructed by French engineers in 1753, the Old Ursuline Convent is the oldest building in the Mississippi Valley.

- Old Ursuline Convent Philippine and her companions lodged here upon their arrival in the New World.
- Academy of the Sacred Heart ("The Rosary") The RSCJ returned to New Orleans in the late 1860s and established a school in the Vieux Carré, or French Quarter. In 1890, the school moved to its current location on St. Charles Avenue in uptown New Orleans.

## **GRAND COTEAU**

- Academy of the Sacred Heart Founded in 1821, this is the oldest continuously operating Sacred Heart school in the world.
- ✓ <u>Le Petit Musée</u> Artifacts, letters, and photographs tell the story of early life at the Academy. Learn about the enslaved persons who constructed the buildings and worked alongside the nuns to make the school what it is today.
- ✓ <u>Shrine of St. John Berchmans</u> Former infirmary where, in 1866, the miraculous cure of RSCJ novice Mary Wilson occurred, leading, ultimately, to the Belgian Jesuit's canonization.



Academy of the Sacred Heart in Grand Coteau



St. Philippine Duchesne Memorial Park, near Centerville

# Sugar Creek



United States (Kansas)



2 Days

Philippine's motivation for coming to the United States was to realize a long-cherished dream of serving among the native peoples of the Americas. In 1841, at the age of 72 and in frail health, she made the arduous journey from Missouri to Sugar Creek, in eastern Kansas, and spent a year with the Potawatomi. Philippine was respected and well-loved by the Potawatomi, who called her "Woman Who Prays Always."

\*This post-trip extension can be completed from either St. Louis or St. Charles, Missouri; Sugar Creek is approximately 275 miles west of St. Charles.

- Mound City Where Philippine lived with the Potawatomi
- Sacred Heart Church Houses the Shrine of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne
- St. Mary's Mission / St. Philippine Duchesne Memorial Park - When the Jesuits established St. Mary's Mission in 1848, they were accompanied by several Religious of the Sacred Heart, who opened a school at the site for Potawatomi girls.
- <u>Indian Pay Station</u> The focal point of this community museum is the 1857 building where the Potawatomi used to receive payments from the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs.
- <u>Drury Inn</u> (Overland Park)



The stained-glass windows of Sacred Heart Church in Mound City depict the life and ministry of Philippine.

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