

# SHOW, FIREWORKS, AND EXHIBIT AT LISIEUX

## RECALLING THE MARTIN FAMILY

### Presentation: "A Love Story"

Location: Inside the Basilica and broadcast on the square

Duration: one hour

Presentation on the life of the Martin family based on extracts from Zélie's letters. 150 performers in period costumes, with choreographed dances and drama. Lively frescoes and brilliant reconstructions of the atmosphere and daily life of the Martin family.

### Fireworks

Enjoy five successive segments:

Hope ("Springtime" by Antonio Vivaldi)

Paying attention to God and others (Text by Zélie Martin)

The beauty of Creation (vocals)

The joy of children ("Waltz of the Flowers" by Tchaikovsky)

"Living Love" (poetry by Thérèse)

Jean-Marie DEVULDER, a professional pyrotechnician, provided the fireworks. He himself is marked by the Norman saint; passing through Lisieux during his family vacation, he was touched spiritually by St. Thérèse. He began a path leading to that of permanent deacon in the diocese of Lille. Since then, his ministry is dedicated to the patronage of St. Thérèse.

### Exhibition "Family History: Louis and Zélie Martin"

Location & time: Saint Jacques Church, rue au Char in Lisieux, every day until November from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. (Special opening: Monday, October 20 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.)

Information: Telephone 02 31 48 55 09 -

Taken from the abundance of correspondence by Zélie (218 letters), Louis, their daughters, their family and their close friends - more than 1300 letters in total.

The memories contained therein are a permanent treasure to reconstruct their family life, and even family life as it was in the nineteenth century. We enter it like into a house where you have been invited ... and we visit all the rooms, from the dining room to the study, and from the kitchen to the cellar. With happiness we find familiar objects: Louis's watchmaking tools and fishing equipment, Zélie's needles and lace, school books, an iron and ironing board, dishes and vintage clothes, toys and clothing.