

Excerpts from the Rules of procedure



Welcome to all, pilgrims, faithful and visitors.

It is Mary who welcomes you to the house of her Son, a thousand-year-old place of devotion.

You are in a place of celebration and prayer. It is expressly asked to observe **calm and silence** and to adopt a **respectful attitude**.

Drinks and food must be consumed outside the cathedral.

For reasons of hygiene and safety, **animals** are not allowed, except for dogs accompanying the visually impaired.

Proper and decent dress is required. No see-through clothing or beachwear. Visitors who cannot dress appropriately will be asked to wait outside the cathedral.

No ostentatious images or text on clothing.

Out of respect for the place, men must uncover (hat and cap).

Begging is not permitted in the cathedral or within the gates. Canvassing, soliciting, or signing petitions is not permitted.

The church staff is present to welcome you, to ensure the safety of all, but also to enforce the police power of the assigning clergy.

Any aggressive behavior against them will result in a request to leave the cathedral. The same applies if any disturbance is observed or proven.

The labyrinth is open for meditation on Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. during the summer season, unless a religious celebration or holiday is scheduled.

The labyrinth is an invitation to be 'a pilgrim'. Its journey is done individually. We ask:

- never to make it an object of amusement or appropriation,
- to move forward at a regular pace, without stopping, attentive to each person's journey,
- not to remain static in the center when the labyrinth is not discovered.

The organization of visits is subject to authorization. Upon arrival, guides must present their professional card at the group reception desk.

To maintain a quiet and contemplative atmosphere inside the cathedral, the use of audiophone systems is mandatory for groups of 10 or more.

During the celebrations: group visits are not permitted. Individual visits are tolerated with discretion and respect for worship.

The Vigipirate plan is applied in conjunction with the police and the prefecture; large backpacks or suitcases are not permitted.

The church does not receive any aid or subsidy; **it is through your donations** that you support the maintenance of the building and the continuation of the mission.