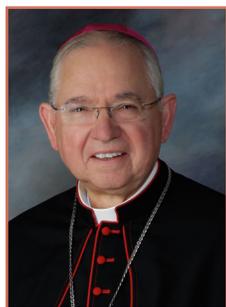


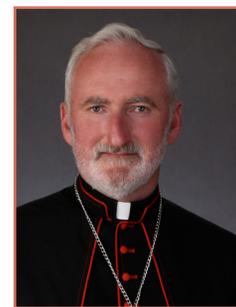


A PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus

11 Days: October 18 - 28, 2021



Under the Spiritual Direction of
Archbishop José H. Gomez
with Bishop David O'Connell
and Rev. Parker Sandoval



Group Coordinator: Mrs. Judy Brooks

OUR DAILY ITINERARY

MONDAY, OCT 18, DAY 1: DEPART USA

We depart en route to Tel Aviv with complimentary meals and beverages served on board our international flight.

TUESDAY, OCT 19, DAY 2: ARRIVE TEL AVIV / TRANSFER TO HOTEL IN NETANYA

Upon arrival in Tel Aviv, we meet our pilgrimage guide outside of baggage claim in the arrival hall. Boarding our motor coach, we transfer to our hotel in Netanya for the evening. Dinner this evening is on our own due to the late evening arrival.

WEDNESDAY, OCT 20, DAY 3: NETANYA / NAZARETH / CANA / TIBERIAS

This morning, after breakfast and checkout, we travel to Nazareth, the site of Joseph and Mary's home and the town where Jesus played as a child, learned a trade, and grew to manhood. We visit the Basilica of the Annunciation where we celebrate Mass. We also visit St. Joseph's Church.

After our included lunch at a local restaurant, we travel to Cana, where Jesus performed His first miracle at the request of His mother (John 2:1-11). In Cana, we visit the Franciscan chapel, where Jesus began His public ministry. Here, we invite couples to renew their wedding vows. We continue on to our hotel in Tiberias for dinner and the evening. (B, L, D)

THURSDAY, OCT 21, DAY 4: SEA OF GALILEE SITES: CAPERNAUM & BOAT RIDE

After breakfast at our hotel, we visit Capernaum, Peter's hometown, where Jesus was based and where he began his public ministry (Matt 4:13). Here we celebrate Mass in a modern church, built directly over the archaeological site of Peter's home, and explore the remains of the town, including the nearby synagogue.

Next, we embark on a private boat ride along the coast of the Sea of Galilee, recalling various events in Jesus'

Galilean ministry. We have an opportunity to view the "Jesus Boat," a recently discovered fishing vessel that has been positively dated to the 1st century BCE, around the time of Jesus. Never before had such an ancient vessel been found so complete. Lunch is included at a local restaurant, and the rest of the afternoon is at leisure for our time for prayer and reflection. Dinner tonight is at our hotel. (B, L, D)



FRIDAY, OCT 22, DAY 5: SEA OF GALILEE: MOUNT OF BEATITUDES, PETER'S PRIMACY, AND MAGDALA

After breakfast, we begin our day with Mass and a visit at the Mount of Beatitudes, and its stunning panoramic vista of the Sea of Galilee. Next, we visit the Church of "Peter's Primacy." Here, after His resurrection, Jesus met with His disciples and told Peter, "Feed my lambs; feed my sheep" (John 21:9). We continue to the Church of the Loaves & Fishes, commemorating where Jesus fed the crowd of 5,000.

We enjoy our included lunch at Magdalena restaurant before we visit the Magdala Center, to see the excavations of the first-century synagogue that existed at the time of Mary Magdalene, a synagogue where local tradition holds Jesus would have visited. Dinner is at our accommodations. (B, L, D)

SATURDAY, OCT 23, DAY 6: SEA OF GALILEE / BAPTISMAL SITE / JERICHO / DEAD SEA / JERUSALEM

After breakfast and checkout, we celebrate Mass at Magdala and then travel to the Qasr Al-Yahud baptismal site. A short distance from Jericho, this site holds the oldest and most

ancient tradition for being the place of Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist in the Jordan River (Matthew 3: 13-17). Here we renew our baptismal vows. Next, we travel to the city of Jericho, which Jesus also visited with His disciples (Mark 10:46-52). Here we view the remains of the ancient walled city, one of the oldest cities in the world, and view the Mount of Temptation from a distance.

After an included lunch at a local restaurant, we travel to Jerusalem, where we enjoy a panoramic view of the city from the Mount of Olives. We continue to our accommodations for check-in and the evening. Dinner is at our accommodations. (B, L, D)

SUNDAY, OCT 24, DAY 7: JERUSALEM: BETHLEHEM VISIT

Today after breakfast, we celebrate Mass with the local community at a parish in Bethlehem. After Mass, we gather for our included lunch. After lunch, we visit Manger Square, which stands in front of one of the oldest of Christian churches, the Church of the Nativity. We have time to visit one of the local Christian shops in Bethlehem. We return to our accommodations for dinner and the evening. (B, L, D)

MONDAY, OCT 25, DAY 8: JERUSALEM: GETHSEMANE & MT. ZION

After breakfast, we celebrate Mass at the Basilica of the Agony also known as Church of All Nations in the Garden of Gethsemane. The church enshrines a section of bedrock where Jesus is said to have prayed before his arrest (Mark 14:32-42). After our included lunch we cross the Kidron Valley, making our way to Mount Zion, where we visit the Upper Room - the place of the Last Supper, the appearances of the risen Jesus, and the Pentecost (Acts 2). We then make our way to the Palace of Caiaphas, where Jesus was interrogated by the High Priest (Matt 26:57, known today as St. Peter in Gallicantu ("crowing rooster"). We return to our accommodations. For those interested, our guide will take us on a walking tour to the Holy Sepulchre Church for our private prayer and reflection, returning to our accommodations on our own. Dinner this evening is at our accommodations. (B, L, D)

TUESDAY, OCT 26, DAY 9: JERUSALEM: VIA DOLOROSA, CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE, THE OLD CITY & LEISURE

After breakfast, we gather at the Antonia Palace to walk the Via Dolorosa, the Way of the Cross, culminating at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the site where Jesus was crucified and buried. Here we celebrate Mass. Lunch and the balance of the afternoon are at leisure to walk in the Holy City and experience the culture of the Old Jerusalem. For those interested in organized activity, our guide will take us to visit the Church of St. Anne and the Pools of Bethesda where Jesus healed the paralytic man. Dinner is served at our accommodations. (B, D)

WEDNESDAY, OCT 27, DAY 10: JERUSALEM: WESTERN WALL & LEISURE

This morning we celebrate Mass at St. Saviour Church in the Old City, and then visit the Western Wall of the ancient Temple destroyed in 70 AD. This is the most sacred place for Jews and a place of prayer. We will view the Dome of the Rock, the sacred place for Muslims, from a distance. Lunch and the balance of the afternoon are at leisure. Some of us may want to go back to the Holy Sepulchre for our own private prayer time. Dinner is included at our accommodations. (B, D)



THURSDAY, OCT 28, DAY 11: RETURN TO THE USA

Early this morning, we transfer to Tel Aviv airport for our return journey home.

Note: While no changes are anticipated, there may be unforeseen occasions when certain alterations to this itinerary become necessary, either due to changes in airline schedules or for other reasons.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR TOUR NUMBER 21-021-1018

REGISTRATION

Your group coordinator will send you via email a PDF version of the brochure and registration form once registration opens. You will have a window of three weeks within which to submit your initial \$500 per person registration deposit to Catholic Travel Centre (CTC). After registering, you will receive an invoice from CTC, with final payment due to CTC 90 days prior to departure.

PRICE

Full Package Cash Discount Price (check or cash): \$4,299

Full Package Standard Price (credit card): \$4,558

Land Only Price (passengers makes their own airline reservation):

Subtract \$700 from the Full Package prices above

Single Room Supplement: \$1,045

PRICE INCLUDES

Airfare: Roundtrip on non-refundable, economy class group airline tickets from Los Angeles (LAX) on regularly scheduled IATA carrier and also includes any current fuel surcharges, taxes, and fees

Accommodations: First Class hotels, or best available accommodations, all with private bathroom facilities, and also includes portorage of one suitcase per person at hotels only

Meals: Per itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)

Transportation & Sightseeing: By private motor coach per the

itinerary with English-speaking guide and entrance fees as shown in itinerary

Gratuities: For hotels and restaurants

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

Gratuities to tour manager (\$10 per person per day) and motor coach driver (\$5 per person per day), to be collected overseas by your tour coordinator. Instructions to be provided.

HEALTH DOCUMENTATION AND MEDICAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The traveler is responsible for securing any health/medical certification documents required by the airlines and/or countries visited on the itinerary. If a country on the itinerary requires proof of COVID vaccination and/or a negative COVID test, it is the responsibility of the passenger to secure same. If a country on the itinerary requires medical insurance coverage for possible COVID treatment and/or quarantine while abroad, each passenger agrees to secure said coverage as a requirement for traveling with the group.

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