

FRANCISCAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

led by the Franciscan Friars Conventual

October 21 - 31, 2019, 10 days

All Inclusive Cost from New York/JFK: \$3,540

Departures from other cities are available.

Single room supplement: \$1,100

PILGRIMAGE PROGRAM

Oct. 21/Mon - NEW YORK - TEL AVIV. This evening depart JFK Airport via an overnight flight to Israel.

Oct. 22/Tue - TEL AVIV – On arrival in Israel, you will be met by your guide and continue for overnight to your hotel in Galilee area.

Oct. 23/Wed - TIBERIAS. Nazareth - Cana. (*The Annunciation*) After buffet breakfast drive to Nazareth, the town where Jesus lived as a child. Celebrate Mass in the Basilica of the Annunciation. Visit the Byzantine Church of St. Joseph and Mary's Well. Stop at the convent of the Sisters of Nazareth for a tour of the fascinating excavations discovered here. In the afternoon visit Cana, where Jesus performed His first miracle. Visit the Franciscan chapel where those who wish can renew their wedding vows. (B, D)

Oct. 24/Thu - TIBERIAS. Sea of Galilee. (*The Ministry of Christ in the Galilee*) The day starts at the Mount of Beatitudes, scene of Jesus' great Sermon on the Mount. Then to Tabgha where Jesus fed the crowd of 5,000 and onto the site known as "Peter's Primacy". Here, after His resurrection, Jesus met with His disciples. A short drive away is Capernaum, from where Jesus launched his Ministry. See the synagogue from the time of Jesus and the church built over the site of Peter's home. Celebrate Mass in this special place. In the afternoon drive up to Caesarea Philippi, where Jesus told St. Peter "You are the Rock, and upon this rock I will build my Church." (B, D)

Oct. 25/Fri - TIBERIAS. Mt. Tabor - The Jordan River. (*The Transfiguration & Baptism*) This morning drive to Mount Tabor, the site of the Transfiguration, with time to reflect on Christ's Humanity and Divinity. Mass at the Franciscan Church. End the day at the spot where the Jordan River flows from the Sea of Galilee with time to reflect on the Baptism. (B, D)

Oct. 26/Sat - TIBERIAS. Mukhraka - Caesarea - JERUSALEM. After breakfast leave for Mukhraka. The Monastery here commemorates Elijah confronting the prophets of Baal. Continue north to Haifa to visit Stella Maris, a Carmelite Monastery where we celebrate Mass. After enjoying the view of the bay of Acco, head for Caesarea, the ancient capital of the Roman province. View the impressive archaeological remains of the Roman and Byzantine city that once flourished here. It was from Caesarea that Paul set sail for Rome, an event that eventually brought Christianity to the rest of the world. (B, D)

Oct. 27/Sun - JERUSALEM - Temple Model - Ein Karem - Bethlehem. (*The Visitation and Nativity*) Begin the day with a visit to the Second Temple scale model for an overview of Jerusalem as it was at the time of Jesus. A short drive takes us to the village of Ein Karem, birthplace of John the Baptist. Pray the Mystery of the Rosary on the walk up the hill to the Church of the Visitation. After a break for lunch on your own, drive to Bethlehem. See the cave at the Shepherds' Field before arriving at the oldest of Christian churches, the Church of the Nativity. Step down to the Grotto of the Nativity which marks the spot of Jesus' birth. After Mass, return to the hotel in Jerusalem. (B, D)

Oct. 28/Mon - JERUSALEM. Bethany - Jordan Valley - Qumran - Dead Sea. (*Early Years in Jerusalem*) At the steps of the Southern Wall of the Temple Mount ponder the Presentation of Jesus at the Temple, the finding of Jesus at the Temple and the healing of the blind. See the Western Wall of the Temple Mount then drive down the Jordan Valley to Qumran where the Dead Sea

– An Invitation to an Extraordinary Experience –

Journey in the footsteps of Jesus through the Holy Land where he was born, lived, walked, preached, healed, suffered, died, and rose! We Franciscans have been guiding pilgrims through the Holy Land for over 700 years. Under the sponsorship of our Friars' MI (Militia of the Immaculata) ministry, the Franciscans of Our Lady of the Angels Province will be conducting a pilgrimage through Nazareth, Galilee, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, and the numerous sacred sites sanctified by Jesus, Mary, Joseph, John the Baptist, and the holy men and women of the Bible. YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN THIS PILGRIMAGE. Our Franciscan pilgrimages are a unique mix of people – young and old, lay and religious, married and single. Our daily Masses, devotions, scripture meditations, cultural experiences, and the simple joys of being together will become memories that you will cherish for your lifetime. We journey as pilgrims of peace, bearing the hope of the Beatitudes.

Please join us!

Fr. Jobe Abbass, OFM Conv., Pilgrimage Director

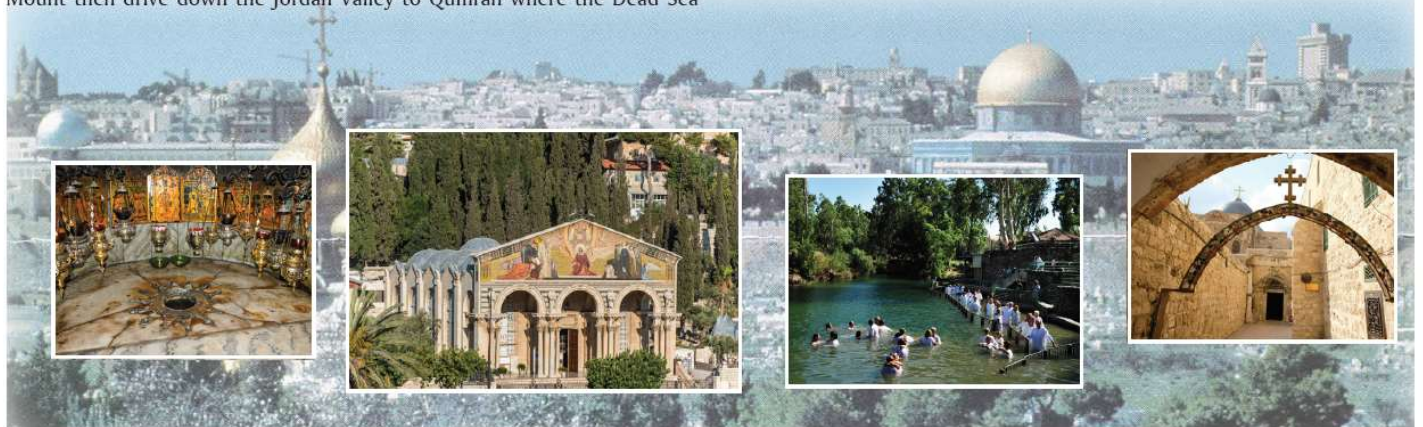
Fr. James McCurry, OFM Conv., Spiritual Guide

Scrolls were found. Then through the Judean Wilderness where Jesus spent 40 days fasting. Stop at Jericho, the world's oldest city, to view the Mount of Temptation. Continue to Bethany where He raised Lazarus from the dead. Celebrate Mass here before returning to Jerusalem. (B, D)

Oct. 29/Tue - JERUSALEM. Mt. Olives - Gethsemane - Mt. Zion (*Palm Sunday and the Agony in the Garden*) From the Mount of Olives view the panorama of Jerusalem. Then to the Pater Noster shrine, where Jesus taught His disciples the Pater Noster. Walking down the Palm Sunday Road stop at the beautiful little church, Dominus Flevit (The Lord wept). At Gethsemane reflect on Jesus' final night. The Garden contains trees, the roots of which go back to the time of Jesus. Visit the Church of All Nations to pray at the "Rock of Agony," a section of bedrock identified as the place where Jesus prayed alone in the garden on the night of His arrest. From there, drive through the Kidron Valley and see St. Peter in Gallicantu built over the Palace of the High Priest Caiaphas. After Mass go up to Mt. Zion commemorating the Last Supper. Nearby is the Benedictine Church of the Dormition. (B, D)

Oct. 30/Wed - JERUSALEM. Via Dolorosa - Holy Sepulchre - Emmaus. (*The Way of the Cross, The Crucifixion, The Resurrection*) This morning we start the Way of the Cross at the Antonia Fortress, where Jesus was condemned to death by Pontius Pilate. From there He was taken through the city to be crucified. The Stations of the Cross lead through the markets of the Old City to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Here is the site of Calvary and the Tomb of Christ. Mass in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. In the afternoon, visit Abou Ghosh, probably the site of Emmaus, where Jesus appeared to the two disciples after the Resurrection. Return to the hotel for dinner before departing for the airport. (B, D)

Oct. 31/Thu - TEL AVIV - NEW YORK/JFK. Board your return flight home.



PILGRIMAGE COST INCLUDES:

- Round trip flights from New York/JFK to Tel Aviv
- All airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- Accommodations in first class hotels in double or twin bedded rooms
- Two meals daily: breakfast (B) and dinner (D)
- Round trip airport/hotel transfers
- Mass daily
- Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach with free Wi-Fi
- Wireless headsets where needed
- Sightseeing and admission fee to all sites visited per itinerary
- Baggage handling of one bag per person
- Services of a professional Christian guide throughout the tour
- End of tour gratuity to the guide and bus driver
- All hotel service charges and taxes.

Note: The sequence of sightseeing each day may change due to local conditions. The time and location of Mass each day is subject to local church schedules.

OUR HOTELS:

TIBERIAS - Sea of Galilee area
 JERUSALEM - Olive Tree or similar



TOUR CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS/PAYMENTS: A deposit of \$200 per person is required at the time of booking. Full payment is due August 24, 2019 payable by check. Price of the tour includes a built-in discount of 2% for payment by cash or check. There is no discount on credit card sales.

TOUR COST: Tour price is based on group airfares and currency exchange levels in effect at the time of printing. It is subject to adjustment in the event of significant changes in the exchange levels or any surcharges imposed by the airlines.

TOUR/AIR ARRANGEMENTS: Air transportation on transatlantic flights will be provided via Turkish Airlines, economy class or other IATA carrier and is based on negotiated group fares.

Hotel accommodations will be provided in double or twin bedded rooms with private bath. Limited number of single rooms is available at the supplement shown. While every effort will be made to provide sharing of accommodations for persons booking alone, when requested, it cannot be guaranteed and single supplement must be paid before departure when billed.

Unused hotel accommodations or any other unused features of this tour are not refundable or exchangeable for other services. The right is reserved to substitute hotels and sightseeing features if it becomes necessary.

Each tour member must be able to get on and off the motorcoach unaided and not require walking devices or wheelchairs. Most sites will require walking on cobblestone streets, uneven surfaces and staircases which will present difficulties for tour members with physical limitations.

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST: Cost of passports, items of a personal nature; phone calls, laundry, optional insurance, lunches and beverages with meals.

BAGGAGE: Free baggage allowance on checked baggage is one suitcase not exceeding 50 lbs plus one carry-on bag which has to fit under the seat or in an overhead compartment.

NO VACCINATIONS are required by law.

DOCUMENTS: A valid U.S. or foreign passport is required. To apply for passport, contact your local Post Office. Check the validity of your passport.

It must be valid for at least 6 months after your return date.

CANCELLATIONS: All cancellations must be made in writing to PAT TOURS. Full refund will be made for cancellations received up to 60 days prior to departure less a \$25 administrative fee. Between 59 - 46 days deposit of \$200 is non-refundable. No refund will be made for cancellations received less than 45 days prior to departure. AIRLINE TICKETS, when issued, are subject to the airline cancellation policy applicable to the airfare used. After completion of the tour, claims for refund must be made in writing within 30 days.

INSURANCE: All-inclusive travel protection (cancellation, accident/health, baggage, delays) is strongly recommended and will be offered to all tour participants with confirmation. *If you have a pre-existing condition, insurance must be purchased within 7 days of deposit. Call PAT TOURS to request insurance application.* Insurance premium is non-refundable once purchased.

RESPONSIBILITY: The travel agency and the tour operator, PAT TOURS, 1446 Riverdale St, W. Springfield, MA 01089, Tel: 413-747-7702, act only as an agent in making arrangements for hotels, sightseeing tours, and transportation or any other service in connection with the itineraries of individual tour members who by acceptance thereof, acknowledge that the sponsoring organization and/or its agents and suppliers shall not be liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity, liability or expense to person or property due to act or default of any hotel, carrier or other company or person providing or rendering of services included in the tours. Further, the sponsoring organization and/or its agents accept no responsibility for any sickness, pilferage, labor disputes, machinery breakdown, government restraints, wars, whether declared or not, riots, theft, weather condition, defect in any vehicle of transportation or for any misadventure or casualty or any other causes beyond their control. PAT TOURS reserves the right to cancel, change, and substitute any service and to decline to accept or retain any tour member at any time for any reason including insufficient number of participants.

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*If you applied for passport, complete the form below and provide a copy of your new passport when available.

RESERVATION FORM: Franciscan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, OCTOBER 21 - 31, 2019

Enclosed is my deposit check \$ _____ (\$200 per person) payable to PAT TOURS to reserve _____ seat(s) on the above tour departing on October 21, 2019. Deposit can also be made by credit card. Send e-mail or call with your security code.

Please charge the amount of \$ _____ to my (AX, VI, MC, DS) # _____ Exp. Date _____; Sec.Code *****

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ROOM OCCUPANCY: Double room: One bed _____; Two beds _____;

I/We will be departing from: New York _____; Other _____

Single room _____; Need roommate _____

Need domestic flight from my home city of _____

Sharing with: _____
 If requesting a roommate, please advise if smoking or non.

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