

# **PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND & JORDAN**

**September 3-16, 2018**

with

***Fr. Scott Connolly***

*Church of the Assumption*

## **Day 1 - Sep. 3: Depart USA**

Our pilgrimage begins today as we depart on our overnight flight to Israel. Meals and drinks served aloft.

## **Day 2 - Sep. 4: Arrive Tel Aviv / Jerusalem**

After arrival at Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv we will be met by our local guide who will arrange the schedule of our visits and make the scripture come alive as we follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Drive to our hotel in Jerusalem.

## **Day 3 - Sep. 5: Jerusalem**

This morning we will drive to Bethlehem where we will visit and celebrate Mass at the Nativity Church which was built by the Emperor Constantine in the 4th century above the traditional Grotto of Jesus' birth. Also tour the Manger, the Grotto of St. Jerome, the Church of St. Catherine, the Milk Grotto and the Shepherd's Fields.



## **Day 4 - Sep. 6: Jerusalem**

Today we will drive to the top of the Mt. of Olives for a spectacular view of Jerusalem. Visit the Church of Pater Noster where Jesus taught the Lord's prayer to his Disciples and the Chapel of Ascension where Jesus ascended into Heaven forty days after his resurrection. Then walk along the "Palm Sunday Road" to Dominus Flevit where Our Lord wept over Jerusalem. Continue to the Garden of Gethsemane and the Church of All Nations for Mass on the Rock of Agony. In the afternoon we will proceed to the Israel Museum in the New City of Jerusalem where we will see a scale model of Jerusalem as it appeared 2,000 years ago. Then continue on to Ein Karem to see the Visitation Church where Mary proclaimed her famous "Magnificat" and the Church of St. John the Baptist where St. John the Baptist was born.

## **Day 5 - Sep. 7: Jerusalem**

Today we will enter the Old City of Jerusalem through St. Stephen's Gate. Visit the Church of St. Anne where the Blessed Virgin Mary was born, the Pool of Bethesda where Jesus healed the paralytic man, the Chapel of Flagellation, Lithostrotos, and Arch of the "Ecce Homo". Then follow the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre to visit Golgotha and the Tomb of the Risen Savior.



## **Day 6 - Sep. 8: Jerusalem**

This morning we will view the Temple Area of the Old City of Jerusalem featuring the Dome of the Rock, el Aqsa Mosque and the Wailing Wall. We will then enter the restored Jewish Quarter and walk along the excavated Cardo, once a main street of ancient Jerusalem. Enjoy touring the Herodian Mansions, a complex of villas from 2,000 years ago. This afternoon, drive to Mt. Zion to visit the Upper Room where Jesus celebrated the Last Supper, Dormition Abbey where Mary fell into eternal sleep, and St. Peter in Gallicantu where Peter denied Jesus three times.

## **Day 7 - Sep. 9: Jerusalem**

After an early Mass at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre we will return to our hotel for breakfast. Following breakfast, proceed to Bethany to visit the site of the home of Mary, Martha & Lazarus and the Tomb of Lazarus. Continue through the Judean Wilderness to and along the shores of the Dead Sea (the lowest point on earth) to Qumran to see the caves where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered. We will have an opportunity to take a swim in the salty, mineral-laden waters of the Dead Sea before returning to Jerusalem. This evening a special "Farewell Jerusalem" dinner will be arranged in our honor at a typical Middle Eastern restaurant.



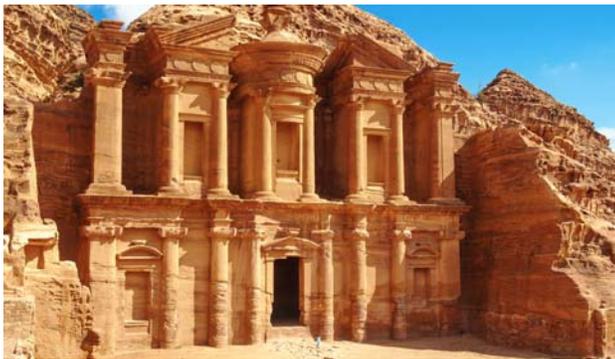
## **Day 8 - Sep. 10: Jerusalem / Petra**

Drive to the Allenby Bridge and cross into the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. Visit the traditional Baptismal Site on the Jordan River where we will have an opportunity to renew our baptismal vows. Travel south along the Desert Road to Mount Nebo where Moses viewed the promised land. If we have a clear day, we may even capture a glimpse of Jerusalem's sky

line. After Mass, continue to Madaba, a Byzantine center of master mosaics, to see the oldest surviving map of the Holy Land. Continue to Petra, one of the most magnificent sites in the Middle East.

#### **Day 9 - Sep. 11: Petra / Amman**

This morning will be spent exploring the “Rose Red City” of Petra which is literally carved into the sides of a deep gorge. The only entrance is through the “Siq”, a narrow slit in the rock enclosed by beautiful limestone cliffs. Riding on horseback (no riding experience required) between the 100 foot cliffs we will see a remarkable sight: temples, tombs, and dwellings chiseled right into the limestone walls. Following our sightseeing of Petra, drive to Amman, the capital of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.



#### **Day 10 - Sep. 12: Amman / Tiberias**

Amman is a city of wide streets, modern shops and spacious villas dotting the hills - all signs of growth; yet the entire area reflects a bygone civilization. This morning's drive around the city takes us to the impressive Roman Amphitheater which once accommodated 6,000 spectators. Looking across the horizon, it's possible to see the hilltop citadel that contains an Arabian castle. Drive north to Jerash which was founded by the soldiers of Alexander the Great in 300 B.C. Jerash now stands as the most complete and best preserved ruins of a provincial Greco-Roman city in the world. Along a 2-mile stretch we'll see the oval shaped forum encircled by 56 graceful Roman columns, Hadrian's Arch, the Temples of Artemis and Zeus, and the massive Roman theater. Continue to the Sheikh Hussein Bridge and cross into Israel. Transfer to our hotel in Tiberias.



#### **Day 11 - Sep. 13: Tiberias**

Enjoy a scenic boat ride on the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum, home of Our Lord during his ministry. After visiting the Synagogue where He taught, drive to Tabgha - the site of the

multiplication of the loaves and fishes. The Church of St. Peter's Primacy will be our next stop, followed by a visit to the Mount of the Beatitudes for Mass at the site of the Sermon on the Mount. Then ascend the Golan Heights and stop at the Banias Spring which rises from under a cave and is one of the sources of the Jordan River. Nearby we will visit ancient Caesarea Philippi where Peter made his confession of faith in Jesus.

#### **Day 12 - Sep. 14: Tiberias**

Following breakfast, we will drive to Cana of Galilee, where Our Lord performed the first miracle; changing water into wine at the wedding feast. Here, we'll invite couples to renew their wedding vows. We will then proceed to Our Lord's boyhood town, Nazareth. Here we will celebrate Mass at the Basilica of the Annunciation, visit Joseph's Workshop and Mary's Well. Then take an excursion to the summit of Mt. Tabor to see the site of the Transfiguration of Jesus.

#### **Day 13 - Sep. 15: Tiberias / Tel Aviv**

This morning we will depart Tiberias and drive to the sparkling port city of Haifa where we will ascend Mount Carmel, home of the prophets Elijah and Elisha, for Mass at Stella Maris. Then continue along the Mediterranean coast to ancient Caesarea where St. Peter preached and St. Paul was imprisoned for two years. Here we will visit the ruins of the Roman Theater, the Crusader's Moat and the Byzantine Churches. Our drive continues to Old Jaffa where we will visit the Church of St. Peter, the home of Simon the Tanner. Continue on to Tel Aviv where we will spend our last night at a hotel located on the shores of the Mediterranean.

#### **Day 14 - Sep. 16: Tel Aviv / USA**

Transfer to Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv to catch our return flight home.

### **P I L G R I M A G E C O S T**

**\$4,492.00**

per person/double occupancy

For single occupancy please add \$797.00.

#### **This price includes:**

- ✘ Roundtrip airfare from Seattle
- ✘ Airline taxes/fuel surcharges as currently levied
- ✘ Accommodation in 4 star hotels
- ✘ All hotel taxes
- ✘ Breakfast and dinner daily
- ✘ Land transportation by deluxe motorcoach
- ✘ All transfers and baggage handling
- ✘ Comprehensive sightseeing as per itinerary with professional licensed Christian guides
- ✘ All entrance fees as per itinerary
- ✘ Israel/Jordan border crossing taxes
- ✘ Jordanian entry visa
- ✘ Daily Mass

## GENERAL INFORMATION AND CONDITIONS

**Reservations and Payment:** Please complete the attached Reservation Application and return it with your deposit of \$300.00 per person at the time of booking. Final payment is due 65 days prior to departure.

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**Refunds:** Subject to the foregoing Cancellation Terms, upon cancellation of travel related services, all sums paid to George's International Tours for such services will be promptly returned to the passenger, provided the passenger has not caused such cancellation and is not in violation of any of the terms and conditions previously, clearly and conspicuously disclosed and agreed to by the passenger. This refund provision does not apply where George's International Tours has remitted the payment to another registered seller of travel or a carrier and they default in providing the agreed-upon transportation or service without providing a refund. In such a situation, George's International Tours agrees to provide passenger with a written statement accompanied by a copy of the bank records establishing the disbursement of the payment, and if disbursed to a seller of travel, proof of their current registration.

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**Travel Documents:** A passport with a minimum of 6 months validity remaining is required of all U.S. citizens. U.S. citizens do not require visas for entry to Israel but visas are required for entry to Jordan. The cost of the Jordanian visa is included in the cost of your trip and George's International will be procuring a group visa on your behalf. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please call to find out if you need a visa. George's International is not responsible for individual visas or passports.

**Tour Cost:** All quoted prices are based upon fares, tariffs and currency exchange rates at the time of printing and are subject to change at any time. Should the minimum number of 40 tour members not be reached, the right is reserved to increase the tour cost accordingly.

**Tour Documents and Tickets:** Final tour documents are mailed, provided we have received full payment, within 3 weeks of departure.

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**Hotels:** Accommodations are based on double occupancy rooms. A limited number of single rooms are available at the supplement quoted and should be requested at the time of booking.

**Travel Insurance:** We strongly recommend that you have comprehensive travel insurance. Insurance may be purchased directly through George's International Tours and registration forms will be provided upon receipt of your deposit or you may purchase online at [www.georgesintl.com](http://www.georgesintl.com). George's International Tours acts only as an intermediary between you and the insurance provider and in no event shall George's International Tours be liable to any person or entity whatsoever for any direct, indirect, incidental, special, exemplary, compensatory, consequential, or punitive damages related to insurance coverage purchased.

**Not Included:** Passport/individual visa fees, gratuities, personal travel insurance, laundry, beverages and items not on the regular menu of the included meals, additional baggage in excess of airport allowance, optional sightseeing tours, and all expenses of a purely personal nature.

**Responsibility Clause:** The passenger contract issued by the transportation company shall constitute the sole contract between the transportation company and the passenger. Additional expenses incurred as a result of delay, change of schedules, illness, weather, strikes, hostilities, quarantine, government requisition of hotel space or any other reasons beyond the control of the tour operator or travel agent shall be borne by the passenger. George's International Tours reserves the right to substitute hotels of similar category if necessary and to alter itineraries.

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Your deposit certifies that you agree with the above terms and conditions.

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## RESERVATION APPLICATION

### Pilgrimage to the Holy Land & Jordan (September 3-16, 2018)

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION (Please complete one application per person)

<b>Name</b> (as printed on your passport): First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____	
<b>Name</b> (as you wish it to appear on your name badge):	
<b>Passport number:</b>	<b>Male</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Female</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Passport date of issue:</b>	<b>Passport date of expiration:</b>
<b>Country of citizenship:</b>	<b>Date of birth:</b>
<b>Street address:</b>	
<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b> <b>Zipcode:</b>
<b>Home phone:</b>	<b>Work phone:</b>
<b>Mobile phone:</b>	<b>Email address:</b>

#### ROOM ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

<b>Please check one:</b> Double occupancy <input type="checkbox"/> Single occupancy (\$797.00 additional) <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>If choosing double occupancy, please indicate the name of your roommate if known at the time of booking:</b>
<b>If choosing single occupancy, would be willing to share a room with another person?</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

#### EMERGENCY CONTACT

<b>Please list the name, relationship and phone number for a family member/close friend who is <u>NOT</u> traveling with you:</b>
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Please enclose a deposit of **\$300.00 per person** made payable to **Daniels Travel Co.** and mail to:

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