

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land



**November 12 – 22, 2010 \$ 2,799.00 (plus airline tax of approx. \$475)
from Winnipeg or Chicago (based on min. 15 paying passengers)**

Day 1 – Friday. Connect in *Toronto* for departure on our overseas flight.

Day 2 - Saturday. Arrive in *Tel Aviv* and proceed to our hotel in *Nethanya*. Dinner and overnight.

Day 3 - Sunday. Nethanya-Caesarea-Haifa-Tiberias. This morning we depart *Nethanya*, on our way to *Tiberias*, we visit *Caesarea*, where St. Peter baptized the first Gentile converts and where St. Paul was imprisoned. We continue to *Muhraqa*, where the Carmelite Monastery of St. Elijah marks the place where the prophet Elijah set up his altar and triumphed over the false prophets of Ba'al. Then we proceed to *Mt. Carmel* and the *Chapel of Stella Mares*, where we celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight in *Galilee* at the Caesar Tiberias Hotel (or similar).

Day 4 - Monday. Around the Sea of Galilee. This morning we begin with a boat ride on the *Sea of Galilee*, then proceed by motor coach to *Caesarea Philipi*, where Peter acknowledged Jesus as the Messiah, and the *Mt. of Beatitudes* with its panoramic view of the Sea of Galilee. We then visit *Tabgha* to commemorate the multiplication of the loaves and fishes, celebrate Mass at the *Heptagon* (Peter's Primacy), and visit *Capernaum*, the home of St. Peter before continuing on to the *Jordan River*. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Day 5 - Tuesday. Nazareth - Jerusalem. We depart for *Cana*, the site of Jesus' first miracle at the wedding feast. Here couples are invited to renew their marriage vows, then on to *Nazareth* to visit the *Basilica of the Annunciation* for Mass, *St. Joseph's Workshop* and *Mary's Well*. Our last stop today is *Mt. Tabor*, the site of the Transfiguration. We continue on to *Jerusalem* for dinner and overnight at the Crowne Plaza Hotel (or similar).

Day 6 - Wednesday. Jerusalem: Old City, Mount of Olives & Mt. Zion. We begin our day by entering the *Old City* through St. Stephen's Gate with a visit the *Church of St. Anne*, marking the birth place of the Blessed Mother and the nearby *Pools of Bethesda*; then proceed to the *Chapel of the Flagellation* (where Our Lord was scourged), and the *Ecce Homo Arch*, where we will celebrate Mass. Afterwards, we participate in the *Via Dolorosa* (Stations of the Cross) ending with a visit to the *Holy Sepulchre Church*. After the stations, our afternoon continues with a drive to *Mt. Scopus* and to the *Mt. of Olives*, where we gain a panoramic view of the Old City of Jerusalem. We visit the place of the *Ascension*, *Pater Noster*, commemorating the "Our Father", *Dominus Flevit* where Jesus wept over Jerusalem, and the *Church of All Nations* in the Garden of Gethsemane, *Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu* where Peter denied Christ, the House of Caiphas, the *Church of the Dormition* of Our Lady, and the *Upper Room*, site of the Last Supper. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 7 - Thursday. Jericho, Qumran, the Dead Sea and Masada. Today begins with Mass at the *Church of the Holy Sepulchre*. Then we proceed to *Jericho*. This city was the site of Joshua's first dramatic conquest. We will visit the traditional location of *Zaccheus Tree* and from a distance we view the *Mt. of Temptation*, now home to a Greek Orthodox Monastery. Our next stop is *Qumran*, site of the discovery of the *Dead Sea Scrolls*. We stop at the *Dead Sea*, the lowest point on earth for a visit or swim if you like, then visit *Masada* the mountain fortress site of the great battle in 73AD. On our way back to Jerusalem we will stop in *Bethany*, site of the resurrection of Lazarus. Here we celebrate Mass. Return to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight in our hotel.

Day 8 – Friday. Today is free to visit some of the many sites in and around Jerusalem.
Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 9 – Saturday. Bethlehem. This morning we make our way to *Bethlehem*, visiting first the *Shepherd's Field*, followed by the *Church of the Nativity*, *St. Jerome's Chapel* and *St. Catherine's Church*. Return to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight.

Day 10 – Sunday. Ein Karem. After checking out of the hotel we travel to *Ein Karem*, where we visit the *Church of St. John the Baptist* and the *Church of the Visitation* where we will have our farewell Mass. Afterwards we stop for a farewell dinner before arriving at the airport for our night flight home.

Day 11 – Monday. Morning arrival in the Toronto and connection home.

Enclosed is my deposit (\$300 per person) for the *Holy Land Pilgrimage* (10-1112):

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