

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

WITH THE SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP OF **FATHER JUSTIN PULIKUNNEL**

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NOVEMBER 17 TO 26, 2024



I rejoiced when they said to me « Let us go to the house of the Lord » (Psalm 122 :1) We invite you on a spiritual journey that is sure to be one of the most unforgettable experiences of your life. Imagine yourself in the Galilee at the same site where Jesus taught and performed his miracles, renewing your baptismal promises in the Jordan River, walking through the streets of Jerusalem and reflecting on the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is an experience that will enrich your faith and change your life. Come and see for yourself, you'll never be the same.

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DAY 1-NOVEMBER 17 FLIGHT TO TEL AVIV

We fly from Toronto to Tel Aviv aboard Air Canada. Prepare yourself for an experience that will change your life. In only few hours you will be walking in the same path that Jesus walked! Group seating for our flight will be pre-assigned by the airline. **Meals on board**

DAY 2-NOVEMBER 18 TEL AVIV-NAZARETH

Welcome to Israel! Upon arrival and clearing immigration formalities, we meet our English-speaking local guide and drive to our hotel in Nazareth. We get settled in our rooms and enjoy free time to rest after the long journey. Later we gather to pray at the **Church of the Annunciation**, visit the **House of Mary** and **Carpentry of Jesus**, and celebrate the beginning of our Pilgrimage right here where it all began, where the Word became Flesh (Luke 1:30-31). Enjoy dinner and retire for the evening. **Dinner**

DAY 3-NOVEMBER 19 ALL AROUND THE GALILEE

A rewarding day... we visit **Mary's Well**, that according to tradition, this is the site where the Angel Gabriel appeared to Mary and announced that she would bear the Son of God. Next to **Cana**, where the Shrine reminds us of the first miracle of Jesus turning water into wine (John 2:1-11), couples who are present could renew their wedding vows at this same spot. Continue to **Mt. Carmel** to visit the Carmelite Monastery of Stella Maris that was built to commemorate the event where the Prophet Elijah challenged the priests of Baal (1 Kings 18). We break for lunch and ascend **Mt. Tabor**, to visit the site of the Transfiguration of Christ (Luke 9:28-36). **Breakfast, Dinner**

DAY 4-NOVEMBER 20 THE MINISTRY OF JESUS

We depart from Nazareth and spend the whole day around the **Sea of Galilee**... Take a relaxing boat ride recalling the miracle of walking on water (Matthew 14:22-33) and calling on Peter and Andrew to become 'fishers of men' (Matthew 4:19). In **Capernaum**, Jesus' town (Matthew 9:1) and the center of his ministry (Matthew 4:13, 23), see the remains of the ancient Synagogue where our Lord preached, and the new church built atop St. Peter's house. It is here where Jesus spent most of his public life. In **Tabgha**, traditional location of the feeding of the 5,000, see the splendid mosaic of the miracle of the loaves and fishes (Matthew 14:13-21; Mark 6:32-44; Luke 9:12-17; John 6:1-15), pray at the **Chapel of the Primacy** where Jesus reinstates Peter (John 21:15-19) and reflect at the **Mount of Beatitudes**, where Jesus preached the *Sermon of the Mount* (Matthew 5:3-11; Luke 6:20-26). Visit **Magdala** and explore the hometown of Mary Magdalene. We will check-in at our hotel by the Sea of Galilee and get settled for the evening. **Breakfast, Dinner**

DAY 5- NOVEMBER 21 JORDAN RIVER-JESUS' TEMPTATION-JERUSALEM

We visit the **Jordan River** and whoever wants may renew their baptismal promises. Next, we follow the route to the **Mount of Temptation**, traditional site where Jesus spent forty days and forty nights and was tempted by Satan (Matthew 4:1-11; Mark 1:12; Luke 4:1). In **Jericho**, recall the story about the poor blind man (Luke 18:35-43) and Zacchaeus, the tax collector (Luke 19:1-10). We ascend the Judean Hills towards **Jerusalem** and see the breathtaking beauty of the Golden City, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord" (Psalm 118:26)! From atop **Mt. of Olives** we follow Palm Sunday Road to the **Chapel of Dominus Flevit**, traditional site where Jesus wept over Jerusalem (Luke 19:41-44). We arrive at our hotel, our home for the next 5 nights. **Breakfast, Dinner**

DAY 6-NOVEMBER 22 AGONY AND PASSION OF CHRIST

We visit the **Garden of Gethsemane** (Mark 14:36). It was here that Jesus experienced his deepest anguish, deciding to entrust himself, in total abandonment, to the will of the Father (Mark 14:36), and the **Upper Room**, where Jesus shared the last meal with his Apostles the night before he died. At the **Church of St Peter in Gallicantu**, built on top of the remains of the house of the High Priest we recall Peter's denial of Christ (Matthew 26:69-75). Next, we see the outdoor model of Jerusalem at the time of Jesus and enter the Old City, visit the **Church of St. Ann**, traditional site of the birthplace of the Virgin Mary and see the **Pool of Bethesda** where Jesus performed the miracle of healing (John 5:2-9). We prayerfully follow the last footsteps of Jesus as we walk the **Via Dolorosa**, following the Way of the Cross, something unforgettable in our pilgrimage, ending at the site of the crucifixion of Christ (Calvary), and the site of the Sepulchre. **Breakfast, Dinner**

DAY 7-NOVEMBER 23 THE NATIVITY

Today we celebrate Christmas! We visit **Bethlehem** and pray at the **Church of the Nativity**, see the Manger and the 14-pointed star that mark the exact place of Birth of our Lord. At the **Shepherd's field** we remember the humble shepherds listening to the angels that sang: "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors! (Luke 2:14). **Breakfast, Dinner**

DAY 8-NOVEMBER 24 AROUND JERUSALEM

We visit the **Western Wall** and the **Southern Stairs** ---that were the main entrance to the Temple Mount during the time of Jesus--- and the **City of David**, to walk through underground passages and waters of Siloam tunnels (**Hezekiah's Tunnels**). A dry alternative is also available. We pray at the **Church of the Visitation**, where the Blessed Virgin Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth and proclaimed **The Magnificat** (Luke 1:46-55). There will also be free time to explore the colourful market. **Breakfast, Dinner**

DAY 9-NOVEMBER 25 THE RESURRECTION-JUDEAN WILDERNESS

Our last day in the Holy Land. We celebrate **Jesus' resurrection**. At the site of the **Emmaus** (Luke 24:13-35) we recall the powerful experience of the two men. Not only does it serve as one of many post-resurrection appearances of Jesus, but it shows us how we can look and rediscover God's presence in our lives. He is not here, He has Risen! (Matthew 28:6). We spend the rest of the day in the Judean wilderness and have an opportunity to float in the salt water of the **Dead Sea**. **Breakfast, Dinner**

DAY 10-NOVEMBER 26 FLIGHT TO TORONTO

Sadly, we say goodbye to the Holy City, and we depart for the airport for our return flight. **End of our Pilgrimage**. **Breakfast, Meals on Board**

PRICE PER PERSON IN DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

\$ 4,755 CAD FROM TORONTO

Price includes Fuel Surcharge & Airport Taxes (at time of printing: \$ 843.16 CAD), and they are subject to change without notice until time of ticketing. Staying in an individual room pay \$ 1030 CAD supplement. --See next page for complete list of inclusions.

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THE TOUR INCLUDES

- ✓ Round trip Economy airfare from Toronto
- ✓ 8 nights accommodation at Tourist Class hotels
- ✓ Breakfast and Dinner daily
- ✓ Private coach transportation throughout
- ✓ Entrance fees, tours and visit to holy sites as per the itinerary with English speaking guide
- ✓ Daily Mass and/or Spiritual activities
- ✓ Hotel taxes and service charges
- ✓ Fuel surcharge & Airport taxes (at time of printing: \$ 843.06 CAD), subject to change at any time without notice until time of ticketing)
- ✓ Portage

NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

- ✓ Meals and drinks not mentioned above
- ✓ Passports: Canadian citizens require a valid passport for more than 6 months after the return date
- ✓ Gratuities to guides and drivers and other local staff: **US\$ 150.00** per participant collected in cash ahead for your convenience
- ✓ Costs of personal nature, optional excursions, excess baggage charges
- ✓ Insurance for medical, Cancellation and Interruption, baggage

BOOKING:

A \$ 400 non-refundable deposit is required at time of booking. If you opt to purchase Non-Medical or All-Inclusive insurance, it must be purchased at the time of first deposit. Bookings after **September 3, 2024** are subject to availability and full payment is due at time of booking.

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60-64 years	394.00	324.00	53.00
65-69 years	476.00	358.00	62.00
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All participants must hold Trip Cancellation/Interruption + Emergency Medical Insurance to travel with us. Proof of coverage if purchased elsewhere must be provided at the time of booking.

All participants must comply with the travel regulations and guidelines of Public Health and the Ministry of Health of each country we visit. Proof of vaccination and further testing MAY be required at time of travelling.

Please contact us if you live outside the Province of Ontario and for other types of coverage.

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Date of Birth: _____ Dietary restrictions: _____ Do you have any Medical problems? _____

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