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Walking in the footsteps of Christ!



Join Us on a Spiritual Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

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“Master, where do you live?” “Come and see!” Join Us on a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land!

The practice of pilgrimage has a special place in the Holy Year, because it represents the journey each of us makes in this life. Life itself is a pilgrimage, and the human being is a viator, a pilgrim travelling along the road, making his way to the desired destination. Similarly, to reach the Holy Door in Rome or in any other place in the world, everyone, each according to his or her ability, will have to make a pilgrimage. This will be a sign that mercy is also a goal to reach and requires dedication and sacrifice. May pilgrimage be an impetus to conversion: by crossing the threshold of the Holy Door, we will find the strength to embrace God’s mercy and dedicate ourselves to being merciful with others as the Father has been with us.

– *Pope Francis*



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Itinerary

March 11: Tel-Aviv – Galilee

Arrival at Ben Gurion Airport. Exit the terminal and meet your guide. Time permitting you will visit the ancient roman port of Caesarea Maritime as well as the aqueduct, amphitheater, the Stella Maris Convent, and the Grotto of the Prophet Elijah.

Dinner and overnight at the Mount of Beatitudes Guest House in Tiberias

March 12: In Mary's Footsteps

After breakfast, drive to Cana of Galilee to visit the Wedding Church, where Jesus performed the first of his miracles, changing water to wine. Married couples will be able to renew their wedding vows. Continue to Nazareth to visit the Basilica of the Annunciation, St. Joseph's Church, Mary's Well, and the synagogue. After lunch, visit Mount Tabor, observe the Jezreel Valley and visit the Church of Transfiguration. You will stop by the Jordan River where you can renew your Baptismal promises.

Dinner and overnight at the Mount of Beatitudes Guest House in Tiberias

March 13: In Jesus' & the Disciples' Footsteps

This morning enjoy a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee. On to Capernaum, where Jesus called the first apostles. You'll visit St. Peter's Memorial and House, as well as the nearby synagogue. In the afternoon visit Tabgha, site of multiplication of fish and loaves, and Primacy Church where Jesus confirmed Peter as head of the Church. You will then visit the Mt. of Beatitudes, site of the sermon on the mountain, and Koursi, where Christ cast demons into a herd of pigs. You'll finish the afternoon with a visit to the Magdala Center before returning to the hotel.

Dinner and overnight at Mount of Beatitudes Guest House. Mass in Capernaum.

March 14: Jerusalem

After breakfast and checkout, you will head south towards Jerusalem. En route, you will visit Jacob's Well in Nablus and the nearby village of Sebastia where the archeological remnants of the Roman fortress and city were once found. After lunch in Sebastia, you will visit Taybeh, the only Christian village in Palestine. While there, you will enjoy a welcome lecture by the local priest explaining the history and daily life in Taybeh.

Dinner and overnight at Note Dame Center. Mass at Mount of Beatitudes Guest House.

March 15: Bethlehem – Ein-Karem

This morning you will head towards the city of Bethlehem, the birthplace of Our Lord. En route you'll stop at Herodian, the city memorializing Herod's victory over the Parthians. Once in Bethlehem, visit the Basilica of the Nativity, the Chapel of St. Jerome, the Milk Grotto, and in the nearby city of Beit Sahour, the Shepherds' Field and the famous grotto. After lunch you'll visit the Church of the Visitation where the Virgin Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth, and the nearby Church of St. John the Baptist.

Dinner and overnight at the Notre Dame Center. Mass at the Milk Grotto.

March 16: Jerusalem: The Passion of Jesus

Early in the morning, you'll celebrate mass at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. After breakfast, you will start the day with a walking tour of the Old City of Jerusalem. Starting from the Temple Area, you will visit the Western Wall, the Dome of the Rock, Al Aqsa Mosque, St. Anne's Church, and Bethesda's Pool. Traveling the Via Dolorosa road you will pass by the Flagellation Church, Ecce Homo, and arrive at the end to the Holy Sepulcher.

After lunch you will have a free afternoon to explore Jerusalem at your leisure.

Dinner and overnight at the Notre Dame Center. Mass at the Holy Sepulcher.

March 17: Mount of Olives – Mount Zion

Today you'll start the day at the Mt. of Olives enjoying a panoramic view of the city of Jerusalem and getting a basic understanding of the geographical locations of the holy sites. On the Mt. of Olives you will visit the site of the Ascension, the Pater Noster, and the Dominus Fleuit Chapel, where Jesus wept over Jerusalem. Then you'll head to the Garden of Gethsemane and the Church of All Nations. In the afternoon, visit Mt. Zion and the memorial site of St. Peter in Gallicantu, the Cenacle (the room of the last supper), and the Dormition Abbey, where the Blessed Virgin slept into eternal life.

Dinner and overnight at the Notre Dame Center. Mass at Gethsemane.

March 18: Bethany, Jericho, & the Dead Sea

In the morning, head to the Dead Sea. En route you'll visit Bethany Church and the Tomb of Lazarus. Continuing towards the Dead Sea you will stop by Jericho, the oldest city in the world, and view the Mt. of Temptations and the Sycamore Tree. After lunch you will go to the Dead Sea to swim in the mineral rich water. In the evening, you are invited to a farewell dinner at a local restaurant.

Dinner and overnight at the Notre Dame Center. Mass at Bethany.

March 19: Tel-Aviv – Home

After breakfast and check-out you can enjoy free time before heading to the airport in Tel Aviv.

Accommodations

Mt. of Beatitudes Guest House – March 11-14
Notre Dame Center – March 14-19

Price per person in US dollars: (20 person min.)

Double Occupancy	1,960
Single Supplement	620

The above rates include:

- Eight nights' accommodation on half-board basis (breakfast & dinner)
- Daily lunches (first and last day not included)
- Farewell dinner
- English speaking guide as per your program
- Deluxe transportation as per your program
- All entrance fees, portage fees at hotels, tips for guide, driver, restaurant and hotel staff
- Audio guiding system

The above rates do not include:

Airfare or entrance fees for sites not mentioned in the itinerary and any personal expenses such as telephone calls, beverages, laundry, and insurance.

General Information & Conditions:

- A non-refundable deposit of \$500.00 per person is required by December 15, 2015. Seats are limited.
- Full payment is due by January 11, 2016.
- Please send registration form to Minerva Dibildox (minerva@elitetravelct.com) and make checks payable to Elite Travel.

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