

GEORGE'S
INTERNATIONAL TOURS



PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

November 9-20, 2022

with
Msgr. Edward Dillon

ITINERARY

Day 1 - Wednesday, November 9: Depart USA

This afternoon we board our international jetliner en route to Tel Aviv.

Day 2 - Thursday, November 10: Arrive Tel Aviv

After arrival at Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv, we will be met by our local guide and then transferred by motorcoach to our hotel in Tel Aviv.

Day 3 - Friday, November 11: Tel Aviv / Tiberias

This morning we'll depart Tel Aviv and drive along the Mediterranean coast to ancient Caesarea, where St. Peter preached, and St. Paul was imprisoned for two years. Here we'll visit the Roman Theater, Crusader's Moat, and the Byzantine Churches. Our drive continues to the sparkling port city of Haifa, home of the prophets Elijah and Elisha, for Mass at Stella Maris. Then drive on to Tiberias for check in at our hotel located near the shores of the Sea of Galilee.



Day 4 - Saturday, November 12: Tiberias

This morning we will enjoy a scenic boat ride across the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum, home of Our Lord during His ministry. After visiting the synagogue where He taught, we will proceed to Tabgha, the site of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes, and then to the nearby Church of the Primacy of Peter. Then drive up to the Mt. of Beatitudes for Mass at the Sermon site on the Mount. This afternoon, ascend the Golan Heights and visit the Banias Spring that rises from under a cave and is one of the sources of the Jordan River. Near Banias at ancient Caesarea Philippi, Peter made his confession of faith in Jesus. Mount Bental can be found in Golan Heights towards the Syrian border and is one of Israel's famous mountain peaks to visit, partly due to the fabulous panoramic views of the Golan, but also it was the site of a battle fought during Israel's war for the Golan.

Day 5 - Sunday, November 13: Tiberias

This morning we will drive to Cana, where Jesus' first miracle occurred. Those who wish may renew their wedding vows,

and all can remember Mary's words: "Do whatever he tells you." Then continue to Nazareth, where Jesus spent most of his life and visit the Basilica of the Annunciation and St. Joseph's Church, the site of the home of the Holy Family. In the afternoon, we will ascend the heights of Mt. Tabor, where Jesus took Peter, James, and John and was gloriously transfigured in their sight.



Day 6 - Monday, November 14: Tiberias / Jerusalem

Today we follow the Jordan River south from the Sea of Galilee through its fertile valley to Jericho, where we will visit the ruins of the ancient city which Joshua conquered. While in Jericho, we will also view the Mt. of Temptation, the place of Jesus' temptation by the devil, and stop at a Sycamore tree which will help us recall Jesus' encounter with Zacchaeus, the tax collector. Then proceed to the Jordan River, which we will visit to recall Our Lord's Baptism by St. John, and to renew our baptismal vows. We will then stop at Bethany, the home of Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, before continuing to Jerusalem for check-in at our hotel.

Day 7 - Tuesday, November 15: Jerusalem

Traveling a short distance south of Jerusalem, we arrive in Bethlehem. We begin our visit to the countryside at the Shepherds' Field to remember the angels' glad tidings to the shepherds. Within the town of Bethlehem, we go to venerate the Holy Grotto of the Nativity and the Manger, the Grotto of St. Jerome, and the Franciscan church of St. Catherine of Alexandria, site of Bethlehem's Christmas Midnight Mass. We will also visit the Holy Family Hospital built and supported by the Sovereign Order of Malta. The balance of the day will be at leisure.

Day 8 - Wednesday, November 16: Jerusalem

This morning we enter the Old City of Jerusalem through St. Stephen's Gate and make our first stops at the Church of St. Anne and the Pools of Bethesda. Next, we will follow the Way of the Cross, carrying a wooden cross along the streets

and among the markets and shops as Jesus did on His journey to Calvary following the Via Dolorosa. We enter the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, and within the church, we visit Golgotha and complete our devotions at the Sacred Tomb of Jesus. In the afternoon, we go to the Western Wall or Wailing Wall, the holiest shrine in the world for Jews. Then drive along the walls of the Old City to Mt. Zion, where we will visit the traditional site of the Upper Room, remembering the Last Supper, a post Resurrection appearance, and Pentecost. Nearby we see Dormition Abbey Church, which honors Mary's "falling asleep." We then end the day with a visit to St. Peter in Gallicantu, which marks the site of Peter's denial.



Day 9 - Thursday, November 17: Jerusalem

This morning we 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 40 days after his resurrection. Then walk along the "Palm Sunday Road" to Dominus Flevit, where Our Lord wept over Jerusalem. We then continue down the road to the Garden of Gethsemane for Mass and a visit to the Basilica of the Agony. This afternoon we will visit the Latin Patriarchate and Residence of His Beatitude Pierbattista Pizzaballa. Those pilgrims in our group who are members of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher will receive their Pilgrim Shells during our audience.



Day 10 - Friday, November 18: Jerusalem

After an early Mass at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, we will return to our hotel for Breakfast. Following breakfast, we drive through the Judean Wilderness and along the Dead Sea (the lowest spot on earth) to Qumran, the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered, and see the ruins of the buildings of the Essene community. Afterward, we will have the opportunity to take a dip in the Dead Sea's salty, mineral-laden waters before returning to Jerusalem. We will then have a meeting with the Franciscan Custos, Fr. Francesco Patton, of the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land before returning to our hotel. This evening a special cocktail and dinner party will be arranged in our honor at our hotel.

Day 11 - Saturday, November 19: Jerusalem

This morning we travel to Ein Karem and visit the Church of St. John the Baptist which is the birthplace of the Precursor of the Lord and the Visitation Church where we recall Mary's prayer of praise: the Magnificat. The afternoon will be free for last-minute shopping or to visit some sites on your own.

Day 12 - Sunday, November 20: Jerusalem / Tel Aviv / USA

We bid farewell to the Holy Land today as we 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

\$3,950.00

per person/double occupancy

For single occupancy please add \$1,100.00.

This price includes:

- ✘ Roundtrip airfare from Atlanta
- ✘ Airline taxes/fuel surcharges as currently levied
- ✘ Accommodation for 10 nights in 4 star hotels
- ✘ All hotel taxes
- ✘ Breakfast and dinner daily
- ✘ Land transportation by deluxe motorcoach
- ✘ All transfers and baggage handling at hotels
- ✘ Comprehensive sightseeing with all entrance fees
- ✘ Daily Mass

Airfares from other departure cities throughout the United States are available upon request.

For those who prefer to arrange their own flights the Land-Only cost is \$2,696.00 per person.

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.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be in writing. Cancellations received after 5PM Pacific Time or on weekends/holidays will be processed the next business day. The following per person cancellation charges will apply: If canceled 91 days or more prior to departure, a \$50.00 administrative fee will be charged. If canceled 90 - 61 days prior to departure, \$250.00 will be charged. If canceled 60 - 31 days prior to departure, \$450.00 will be charged. If canceled 30 - 7 days prior to departure \$700.00 will be charged. No refunds will be made within 6 days of departure. In addition, once the airline tickets have been issued, 100% of the airfare is non-refundable unless you have been advised otherwise at the time of your booking. Additional cancellation charges may apply depending upon the cancellation terms of our suppliers.

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.

Trust Account Disclosure: California law requires certain sellers of travel to have a trust account or bond. George's International Tours has such a trust account.

Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation ("TCRC"): George's International Tours is a participant in the Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation ("TCRC"). You, the passenger, may request reimbursement from TCRC if the Seller of Travel was registered and participating in the TCRC at the time of sale and the passenger is located in California at the time of payment. Please be advised that passengers purchasing from outside of California are not covered by the TCRC. Eligible passengers may file a claim with TCRC if the passenger is owed a refund of more than \$50 for transportation or travel services which the Seller of Travel failed to forward to a proper provider or if such money was not refunded to you when required. The maximum amount which may be paid by the TCRC to any one passenger is the total amount paid on behalf of the passenger to the Seller of Travel, not to exceed \$15,000. A claim must be submitted to the TCRC within six months after the scheduled completion date of the travel. A claim must include sufficient information and documentation to prove your claim and a \$35 processing fee. You must agree to waive your right to other civil remedies against a registered participating Seller of Travel for matters arising out of a sale for which you file a claim with the TCRC, if you were located in California at the time of the sale. You may request a claim form by writing to: Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation, P.O. Box 6001, Larkspur, CA 94977-6001; or by faxing a request to 415-927-7698.

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. 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 25 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.

Baggage: Each passenger is allowed one checked bag and one carry-on. You will be responsible for paying to the airline any additional charges for additional checked baggage or overweight baggage (if excess weight is permitted). George's International Tours is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen baggage.

Air Transportation: Air travel is in economy class on Lufthansa (or any other IATA carrier). Fares are based upon levels in effect at the time of printing. Fares and flight schedules are subject to change without notice.

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. 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: Gratuities to guide, driver and hotel staff, COVID-19 testing (if required), passport or individual visa fees, 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.

Limitation of liability: The airlines, hotels, and other suppliers (jointly: "travel suppliers") providing travel or other services sold by George's International Tours are independent contractors and not agents or employees of George's International Tours. George's International Tours and/or their cooperating selling agents and/or their travel suppliers offer these tours for sale only on the express understanding that they themselves do not perform or in any way assume liability for the performance of the individual components, transfers, hotels, flights, car, motorcoaches, etc. of these tours and act only to combine these components into a single unit of sale for the convenience of the general public. To the extent permitted by law, George's International Tours does not assume liability for any injury, damage, death, loss, accident or delay due to an act or omission of a travel supplier, including, without limitation, an act of negligence or the default of a travel supplier. To the extent permitted by law, no responsibilities are accepted for any damage and/or delay due to force majeure, sickness, pilferage, labor disputes, bankruptcy, machinery breakdown, quarantine, government restraints, weather, terrorism or any causes beyond George's International Tours' control. Further, no responsibility is accepted for any additional expense, omissions, delays, failure to make connections, non-performance or poor performance, loss of revenue, loss of anticipated profits, any additional expenses or lost business, attributable to you yourself, acts or omissions of any third parties, or acts of any governmental authority, even if George's International Tours has been advised that such damages were possible or probable.

Please refer to www.georgesintl.com for further disclosures concerning travel risks, travels with special needs or disabilities, and arbitration.

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

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RESERVATION APPLICATION

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land (November 9-20, 2022)

Group Reference Number: 221109A

PERSONAL INFORMATION (Please complete one application per person)

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

ROOM ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Please check one: Double occupancy <input type="checkbox"/> Single occupancy (\$1,100.00 additional) <input type="checkbox"/>
If choosing double occupancy, please indicate the name of your roommate if known at the time of booking:
If choosing single occupancy, would be willing to share a room with another person? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Please list the name, relationship and phone number for a family member/close friend who is <u>NOT</u> traveling with you:

Please enclose a deposit of **\$300.00 per person** made payable to **George's International Tours** and mail to:

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COVID-19 POLICY

ISRAEL

Please be aware that George's International Tours currently requires all participants on this pilgrimage to be fully vaccinated with one of the CDC-approved vaccines as per the regulations adopted by the government of Israel. A person is considered fully vaccinated two weeks after receipt of the second dose in a two dose series of the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccines or two weeks after receipt of a single dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine provided that no more than 180 days will have passed since you became fully vaccinated at any time during your stay in Israel. In the event that your two dose regimen of Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna or one dose regimen of Johnson & Johnson will be older than 180 days at any time during your stay in Israel, you will be required to obtain a booster shot at least two weeks prior to your arrival in Israel. In the event that Israel's definition of being fully vaccinated changes in the future we will update our policy to reflect that.

While it is possible that the government of Israel may relax the requirements for a vaccination in the future or provide for exemptions to the vaccination requirement, George's International Tours reserves the right to require that all participants on this pilgrimage be fully vaccinated at the time of travel for the safety of our clients as well as our contracted staff overseas. There will be no exceptions made to this vaccination policy for religious or health reasons.

The Israeli government currently requires that you provide evidence of a negative COVID-19 PCR test which was taken within 72 hours of your departure for Israel and obtaining this test and the associated cost will be your responsibility.

Upon arrival in Israel you will need to take a second COVID-19 PCR test at the airport and will then go into a limited isolation at your hotel until you receive a negative test result which generally is obtained within a few hours. There are no activities planned for your arrival day except for dinner at your hotel, so this limited isolation should not have any impact on the sightseeing outlined in your itinerary.

The United States government currently requires that you show evidence of a negative COVID-19 antigen or PCR test which was taken one day prior to your return to the United States before you are allowed to board your return flight home.

George's International Tours will assist you in procuring the COVID-19 PCR and antigen tests required upon arrival in Israel and before departure back to the United States, however the cost of these tests will be your responsibility and are expected to be approximately \$100.00 per person (subject to change).

If at any time you become symptomatic of COVID-19 during your pilgrimage we will require that you undergo testing at your own expense as per the laws in each country you are visiting. In the event that you test positive for COVID-19 during the course of your pilgrimage you will be required to go into isolation at your own expense at an official Israeli government COVID isolation facility and for the safety of the other participants you will no longer be allowed to continue with the pilgrimage.

Purchasing comprehensive travel insurance that covers medical treatment for COVID-19 while overseas will be mandatory. Information on the policies we offer is available at georgesintl.com/travel-insurance or you may purchase a policy through a third party if desired.

The entry/exit requirements for Israel and the United States are subject to change and we will notify you of any new regulations that may affect your journey.

We would like to remind you that George's International Tours only acts as an intermediary between you and the other travel suppliers (airlines, hotels, etc.) and in no way assumes responsibility for any COVID-19 related requirements that travel suppliers and governments may impose due to the current pandemic or for any other unforeseen reason.

We are committed to ensuring that the utmost efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19 are taken by every partner and supplier or ours throughout your trip and are confident that the procedures we are implementing will ensure a safe and enjoyable pilgrimage for you.