

Spiritual Exercises in The Holy Land

"Come, Remain, Go Out"

30 March-11 April 2019
8 Day Spiritual Exercises on Location!

This Pilgrimage is designed for those who have already been to the Holy Land and wish to return for a deeper prayer experience.

12
Days

Optional Extension to Jordan

In the Footsteps of Moses and the Early Christians
28-31 March 2019 All Inclusive \$1,145

- **Spiritual Director: Fr. Stephen Ellis, LC**
- **Pilgrimage Coordinator and Escort: Cris Tallent**
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Exclusive itinerary designed by Cris Tallent for Our Lady of Bethesda Pilgrimages

***All Inclusive Land Portion only FLIGHT NOT INCLUDED.**

Based on double occupancy, Single room supplement \$935 Minimum Participation 21 Pax**

**Price will be adjusted if less than minimum participants.

For Flight Information please contact Elite Travel. 203-271-0623

Extension to Jordan does not require a separate flight, we will enter and exit Jordan through Israel at the Allenby Bridge border crossing. \$1,145 based on double room occupancy.

**Minimum Participation 17 Pax. Single room supplement \$165.

Non refundable \$700 due at time of booking.

Initial booking deadline 30 November 2018

\$3,345*
All Inclusive Land Price

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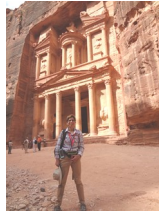
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JORDAN EXTENSION¹

In the Footsteps of Moses and the Early Christians

Day 1: Upon arrival at Ben Gurion Airport in Israel we will proceed to Jordan, crossing the land border at the Allenby Bridge over the river Jordan: Our first stop will be **Mount Nebo** to see what Moses saw and the Israeli encampment site. Overnight in Madaba.



Day 2: Madaba, Umm ar Rassas: Visit the Shrine of the beheading of St. John the Baptist, then onto the World Heritage Site of Umm ar Rassas to trace the footsteps of the early Christians among the magnificent 3rd-9th century Byzantine mosaics. Overnight in Petra.

Day 3: Petra: Will explore this amazing wonder of the ancient world. Overnight in tents in the Wadi Rum Desert where Father will preach "Abraham's Holy Hour" under the stars! Overnight Wadi Rum Night Luxury Camp

Day 4/ Day 1: Wadi Rum and Departure to Israel: After experiencing the red sands of the Wadi Rum, we cross back into Israel once again, to begin our pilgrimage. **Pilgrimage Day 1 Arrival from USA/Jordan: John is his name:** The role of St. John the Baptist. Mass at Eim Karem, site of his birth. **TBD depending on airline schedules and land border crossing.** Overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 2 For God so loved the world: Bethlehem, Shepherd's Field, Herodion, Mass in the Cave of St. Jerome, beneath the Bethlehem Basilica.

Day 3 This is my beloved Son: The renewal of our Baptismal Promises at the qasr El Yahud. Then we set out into the desert, walking along the Wadi Qelt. Transfer to Galilee. Overnight Galilee.



Day 4 The favor of God was upon Him: We encounter Jesus, Mary and Joseph in Nazareth and Sepphoris.

Day 5 Put out into the deep and lower your nets: Walking along the shores of the Sea of Galilee, the area known as the Heptapegon and in Magdala. Evening Holy Hour at the Magdala Center.

Day 6 He went up the mountain: Hiking up and down the mountain where Jesus proclaimed the Beatitudes. Mass in Capernaum, along the Sea of Galilee. Weather permitting, a sunset sail.



Day 7 Give me a drink: En route to Jerusalem we'll stop where Jesus met the Samaritan Woman, Jacob's Well and Sebastye. Overnight Jerusalem.

Day 8 And Jesus wept: Mass in Bethany, at the home of Jesus' friends, Martha, Mary and tomb of Lazarus. We conclude the day with a refreshing pause at a Dead Sea resort.

Day 9 Remain here while I go over there and pray: His triumphant entry into Jerusalem, Bethpage, the Palm Sunday Road and Garden of Gethsemane. His betrayal, arrest and denial: Caiaphas' house and St. Peter in Gallicantu. Evening Holy Hour in the Garden of Gethsemane.



Day 10 Eli, Eli, Iema sabachtani?: With Jesus along the Via Dolorosa and onto Calvary.

Day 11 He is not here, for He has been raised as He said: Very early Morning visit to the Holy Tomb. We conclude the morning at the site of the Ascension followed by a visit to the Cenacle - to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit! The afternoon is on your own to experience Jerusalem. Farewell Dinner.

Day 12 Go therefore: Filled with the Holy Spirit and apostolic zeal we return to the USA.

*This is a brief description of Pilgrimage Itinerary and is subject to confirmations.

¹Price not included, \$1,145 see Jordan Extension brochure for detailed information.

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REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAVEL

Valid US Passport. Non-US passport holders please check with Israeli consulates; most nationalities do not require visas. Passport must be valid for six months after return date. If your passport has a stamp from other Arab countries (other than Jordan and Egypt), Iran, Venezuela or Indonesia, it is advisable to obtain a new passport.

Payment Information

Israel Land Portion cost of Pilgrimage \$3,345 based on a minimum of 21 participants. If number of participants is less than 21 Price will be recalculated according to the new number. Maximum 32 participants. Price based on double and triple occupancy basis. Single room \$935.

Jordan Extension Land Portion: \$1,145 per person based on double room occupancy. Single room \$165. Minimum 17 participants.¹

- **Non-Refundable \$700 initial deposit due at time of booking**
- **Initial booking deadline 30 November 2018**
- **Full payment due 31 January 2019. Payments may be split. For bookings within 60 days prior to departure full payment is required at time of booking.**

REGISTRATION AND BOOKING: contact Cris Tallent at

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• **Payments** by credit card, checks or money orders made payable to: Elite Travel when you register on line.

• **Flights: For Pilgrims going first to Jordan Departure 27 March 2019 Recommended Flights Air Canada or United flt 84 to Tel-Aviv.**

• **For all other Pilgrims: Departure 30 March: United 90 (or via Europe: BRU/FRA/ZRH). Arrival 3:30p.m. TBD group flight offering.**

• **Suggested Return Flights 11:30a.m. AC or UA Flight 85**

For Air Fares and Flight Information BEST to contact:

Call Candy at Elite Travel 301-271-0623

Designated Times: You can make your own flight arrangements but must meet group at Ben Gurion Airport. **Tel-Aviv by 3:30p.m. 31 March 2019.** Designated Time Return Flights: ETD Jerusalem 8:00a.m.

LAND CANCELLATION POLICY: must be in writing \$700 non refundable deposit. 59-46 days prior to departure 10%, 45-31 days 50%; 30 days prior to day of departure cancellations or no shows no refunds. ++Please read full cancellation policy.

TRIP CANCELLATION / TRIP INTERRUPTION/ MEDICAL INSURANCE COVERAGE IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.

Hotels: Notre Dame of Jerusalem /Knights Palace. The Sea of Galilee Hotel

Health Requirements & Practical Information

Pilgrims must be medically and physically fit to participate. This Pilgrimage requires significant walking on steep and uneven terrain. Motor coaches are not permitted to pick up and drop off in front of many of the sites.

The Pilgrimage is not wheelchair accessible. Any special medical conditions or equipment usage must be reported at the time of booking. Should any special assistance be required, traveler agrees to bring a companion capable and willing to assist traveler.

A Pilgrimage notebook will be provided for each participant. Prior to departure you will receive explicit trip preparation information with helpful hints and suggestions. Sturdy or light hiking shoes highly recommended.

The Pilgrimage is open to both men and women. Minimum age of participants is 17 yrs. of age. We try to adhere as much as possible to the printed itinerary but please note that there might be circumstances beyond our control that could alter the order of the day's itinerary.

All Masses have been requested at stated place and times; however, the Mass schedule is determined by the Franciscan Holy Land Custody which assigns the Masses a month prior to arrival.

For further pilgrimage and itinerary details and booking contact:

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Prices based on double or triple occupancy rooms

*The quoted rate of \$3,345 includes:

- 11 Nights accommodation with all meals (BLD)
- Christian English speaking guide & Deluxe transportation
- All entrance fees in the itinerary & Portage fees at hotels
- Tips for guide, driver, restaurant & hotel staff & Audio guiding system

The above rate does not include:

- Flights
 - Airport transfers OUTSIDE of designated arrival/departure times.
 - Jordan Extension (no flight required)
 - Any personal expenses such as telephone calls; bottled beverages, laundry
 - Single room supplement \$935
 - Trip cancellation/Trip interruption/Medical Insurance;
 - Optional Stipends for Priests or additional personal tips
- Jordan Extension: \$1,145 based on double room occupancy, includes:**
- 3 nights accommodations, BLD, Visa, exit taxes, entrance fees, 4x4 ride, tips, portage fees. Flights are not required. Minimum Participation 17.
- Not Included:** Single room \$165; Camel, horse or donkey rides, personal expenses, beverages, laundry, insurance. Animal rides at your own risk.

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