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**Holy Land Pilgrimage** **Itinerary**

**Monday Sept 19 2022**: Depart from DC to Tel Aviv

**Day 1, Tues, Sept 20- – SAMARIA & NORTHERN ISRAEL**

Upon beingGreeted by VIP Service to whisk you through security at Ben Gurion airport, Tel Aviv, we will be on our way! **Stop 1:** **Joppa-** the ancient Port City of Jonah and the Whale and Peter’s vision of the sheet. Mass at St. Peter’s Church. **Stop 2: Samaria-** Walk through the ancient ruins, have lunch and then visit Nablus, St. Jacob’s Church -“**The Woman at the Well**”, 4000 year-old **Jacob’s well.** Opportunity to buy icons from world famous Fr Ioustinos **Stop 3:** Dinner and overnight at The Magdala Hotel.

**Day 2, Wed. Sept 21- GALILEE**

**Stop 1:** **Cana:** where Jesus performed His first miracle- water into wine! Renew marriage vows in the Church of Marriage. **Stop 2**: **Nazareth:** the **Basilica of the Annunciation,** built over where the Angel Gabriel appeared to Mary, **underground to archeological discoveries**, **St. Joseph’s Church**, **Mary’s Well**, and **synagogue** where Christ preached. **Stop 3: The Church of the Transfiguration,** sitting atop Mt. Tabor. **Stop 4:** Dinner and overnight The Magdala Hotel

**Day 3, Thur, Sept 22- AROUND the SEA of GALILEE**

**Stop 1- Boat ride on the Sea of Galilee**, Museum of the Boat ancient boat dating back over 2000 years. **Stop 2:** **Capernaum:** **St. Peter’s home**- Jesus’ home base for public ministry and the **synagogue** where Jesus proclaimed the Bread of Life Discourse. **Stop 3:** **Mt. of Beatitudes**, site of the Sermon on the Mount. **Stop 4:** **Church of Tabgha**--miracle of the multiplication of the fish and loaves, **Stop 5: The Church of Primacy**, where our Lord entrusted the care of the Church to St. Peter as the first Pope**. Stop 6:** Dinner and overnight at The Magdala Hotel.

**Day 4, Fri, Sept 23-- The GOLAN HEIGHTS**

**Stop 1:** **Caesarea Philippi** and the **archaeological site of Pan**. St Peter professed his belief in Jesus as the Son of God and then view spectacular waterfalls. **Stop 2:** **Kursi,** Where Jesus cast out the Legion of demons into a herd of swine. **Stop 3:** Lunch and archeological site of **Magdala** and the beautiful Duc in Altum Church. **Stop 4:** Free time (possible help with the dig). **Stop 5:** Dinner and overnight at The Magdala Hotel.

**Day 5, Sat, Sept 24**—**ALONG THE MEDITERRANEAN to JERUSALEM!**

**Stop 1:** **Mt Carmel,** and visit to the convent of Stella Maris and the Grotto of the Prophet Elijah. **Stop 2: Caesarea Maritime.** There you will visit one of the best-preserved hippodromes, amphitheater, and aqueducts in the world. **Stop 3:** **JERUSALEM!** Dinner and overnight at the Notre Dame of Jerusalem Center.

**Night walk in the Old city.**

**Day 6, Sun, Sept 25—EIN KAREM and BETHLEHEM**

**Stop 1: Ein Karem and** the **Church of the Visitation**, where the Virgin Mary met Elizabeth. **Stop 2: Church of St. John the Baptist.** **Stop 3:** **Bethlehem-the Basilica of the Nativity**, the **Chapel of St. Jerome**, **the Milk Grotto**, LUNCH in Bethlehem square and SHOPPING! **Stop 4:** **Shepherds Fields**. **Stop 5:** Dinner and overnight at the Notre Dame of Jerusalem Center.

**Day 7, Mon, Sept 26—JORDAN RIVER, JERICHO & the DEAD SEA**

**Stop 1:** Renew Baptismal vows in the Jordan River where John Baptized Jesus**. Stop 2: Jericho,** the oldest and most continuously inhabited city in the world, cable car up to **the Mt of Temptations. Stop 3: Qumran.** Essene Monastery, the Dead Sea scrolls. **Stop 4:** LUNCH, MUD BATHS and SWIMMING in **the Dead Sea** at the Luxorious Isrotel Dead Sea Hotel. **Stop 5:** Dinner and overnight at the Notre Dame of Jerusalem Center.

**Day 8, Tues, Sept 27**— **JERUSALEM!**

**Stop 1:** Dawn Mass (to be confirmed) at the **Holy Sepulcher**. **Stop 2:** After Mass, breakfast at the hotel. **Stop 3:** Walking tour of the **Old City of Jerusalem. Stop 4:** **Temple Mount Area**, the Western Wall, the Dome of the Rock, Al Aqsa Mosque, **Archeological Tour of Tunnels under Western Wall** **Stop 5:** **St. Anne's Church,** and Bethesda’s Pool. **Stop 6: Lunch, Stop 7:** **Via Dolorosa :**the Flagellation Church, Ecce Homo, arriving at the Holy Sepulcher **Stop 9:** Bethany and the Tomb of Lazarus **Stop 10:** Dinner and overnight at the Notre Dame of Jerusalem Center.

**Day 9, Wed, Sept 28** –**MT. of OLIVES**

**Stop 1: On the Mt. of Olives**, Ascension Chapel, commemorating Our Lord’s Ascension into Heaven. **Stop 2:** Pater Noster- the sight of **the Our Father**. **Stop 3:** Church of Dominus Flevit, where our **Lord wept** over the city of Jerusalem. **Stop 4:** **Garden and Church of Gethsemane**, the site of the Agony in the Garden. **Stop 5:** Mt. of Zion-the Church St. Peter in Gallicantu-where **St. Peter denied Jesus** three times. **Stop 6:** **The Cenacle,** the site of the **Last Supper Stop 7:** **Dormition Abbey**- Virgin Mary’s passing into eternal life. **Stop 8:** Dinner and overnight at the Notre Dame of Jerusalem Center.

**Day 10, Thur, Sept 29—EMMAUS & BEYOND…**

**Stop 1:** the Benedictine Church of Emmaus-his disciples recognized him in the breaking of the Bread. **Stop 2:** Onwards those flying home will be taken to the airport.

This trip also includes **DAILY MASS at HOLY SIGHTS** and **MEALS** at several of **Israel’s BEST** restaurants-still to come!

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An additional charge of $890 is added for a single room.

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