

2021 Holy Land Pilgrimage

With Fr. Gerald Goodrum and the Prince of Peace Parish Family

February 24 - March 6, 2021

St. Cecilia
TOURS



Roundtrip Airfare
Deluxe Hotels
Porterage Service
Daily Breakfast
Luxury Coach
Transportation
Group Dinners
Tour Guide

Tel Aviv
Caesarea
Nazareth
Cana
Sea of Galilee
Capernaum
River Jordan
Jerusalem
Bethlehem
Dead Sea
Qumran



JERUSALEM'S DOME OF THE ROCK AND WESTERN WALL, ABOVE, AND AN AQUEDUCT IN CAESAREA

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- FEB. 24 — TRAVEL

We check in for our flight with United Airlines at 9:30a in terminal E of Houston Intercontinental airport. Our flight from Houston IAH to Tel Aviv International Airport departs at 11:55a.

- FEB. 25 — NORTH TEL AVIV

Sam & Blondi ****

Upon arrival we will board our state of the art coach, which will transport us from the airport to our hotel in historic Tel Aviv. Located about 20 minutes from the Tel Aviv airport. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your leisure. You are just a short walk from Jaffa and the beach.

- FEB. 26 — CAESAREA & MEGIDDO

Legacy Hotel ****

At 9 AM, after breakfast, we visit the ancient city of Caesarea, built by Herod the Great in honor of Augustus Caesar and considered the traditional site of Paul's imprisonment before his trial in Rome. The theatre, aqueducts and Hippodrome serve as a backdrop for the events chronicled in the Book of Acts. We also visit Mount Carmel and the Stella Maris Monastery. Lunch is served at a local Druze restaurant. We check into our 4-star Legacy Hotel in Nazareth, freshen up, and enjoy a traditional Israeli dinner with a glass of local wine in the hotel's restaurant. [B,D]



SUNRISE OVER THE SEA OF GALILEE, WHERE YOU WILL ENJOY A RELAXING BOAT RIDE OFFERING TIME TO PONDER THE STORIES OF JESUS CALLING FISHERMEN TO FOLLOW HIM, PREACHING FROM A BOAT, AND CALMING THE STORMY WAVES. THIS ALSO IS NEAR THE PLACE WHERE JESUS FED THOUSANDS WITH A FEW FISH AND LOAVES OF BREAD.

- FEB. 27 — NAZARETH

Legacy Hotel ****

At 9:30 AM we will enjoy a walking guided tour of the Church of the Annunciation, followed by a short walk through the quaint Nazareth Market, we visit the local Synagogue, where Jesus was found preaching when he was 12 years old. Enjoy a lunch break on your own. In the afternoon our coach will take us to Cana, before we return to the hotel for supper. [B, D]

- FEB. 28 — CAPERNAUM

Legacy Hotel ****

At 9 AM we drive through Tiberias on the shores of the Sea of Galilee. We will enjoy a beautiful boat tour on the Sea of Galilee at 11a. We will enjoy a delicious lunch at a local restaurant. After lunch, we will visit Capernaum, the site of Jesus' teachings and the remains of a second-century synagogue. We will visit Tabgha, the believed site of the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes, and the site of a modern church built on the remains of a fourth-century church. We will also visit the Mount of Beatitudes, traditional site of Jesus' 'Sermon on the Mount', overlooking the Sea of Galilee. We conclude our day by attending Holy Mass in the historic site of Magdala Chapel. [B,D]

- MAR. 1 — RIVER JORDAN TO JERUSALEM

Sephardic House Hotel ***

At 8 AM we drive to Yardenit, the baptismal site on the Jordan River. We continue our drive through Beit Shean National Park, one of Israel's largest archaeological sites with its ancient archaeological mound and ongoing excavations exposing the vast Roman-Byzantine city. We

continue south along the Jordan Rift Valley and ascend to Jerusalem through the Judean Desert. After checking into The Sephardic House, which has a fantastic location. We will enjoy a group dinner in the restaurant of our hotel. [B,D]

- MAR. 2 — JERUSALEM

Sephardic House Hotel ***

Enjoy a traditional breakfast in the city of Jerusalem. At 9 AM, we begin our day with a guided walking tour of Jerusalem. We will see the Western Wall, the Temple Mount, Lions Gate, Stations of the Cross and the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. The rest of the day will be at your own leisure and pace. [B, D]

- MAR. 3 — JERUSALEM

Sephardic House Hotel ***

At 9 AM, we begin the day with a drive to the beautiful Mount of Olives to behold the breath-taking panorama of the Holy City. Then we descend (walking or coach) to Gethsemane with its ancient olive grove, where tradition holds that Jesus prayed prior to his arrest and crucifixion. At 2:30 PM, after you have lunch on your own, we will drive to Bethlehem. We should be back to Jerusalem around 6 PM in the evening. Dinner is on your own. [B]



GABRIEL'S CHURCH, NAZARETH

- MAR. 4 — THE DEAD SEA, QUMRAN

At 8 AM our coach driver will take us to the Dead Sea Basin, where we will visit Qumran and explore the area where the Dead Sea sect established a community, we visit the caves where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. We drive to Masada and ascend this wilderness mountain fortress in a cable car; walk through

the remains of the palace, water cisterns and fortifications built by Herod; and hear about the Zealots who lived here until the bitter end. There is a food court at Masada where we will have lunch. Dinner is on your own in Jerusalem. [B]



THE DEAD SEA



QUMRAN

- MAR. 5 — JERUSALEM

Have another cup of strong coffee for breakfast and prepare for our final walking tour. At 9 AM we have short hike to Mount Zion where we see King David's Tomb, the site of The Upper Room, and see St. Peter's Church. After our guided tour is finished, you might want to consider exploring the underground tunnels of Jerusalem or walk on top of the Temple wall. We will enjoy a celebratory group dinner at 6 PM at our hotel. [B,D]

- MAR. 6 — FLIGHT HOME

Our fabulous tour will unfortunately come to an end. At 10 AM, we will board our coach and drive to the Israeli museum where we will see an incredible display of artifacts and Biblical history. After lunch, we will take you to Emmaus before we head to the airport for our overnight flight with United Airlines back to Houston, which departs TLV at 11:10 PM.

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