# *St. Anthony of Padua Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Jordan*

# led by Msgr. Stephen P. McHenry

Day by Day Itinerary March 2020



#### Day 1, Tue. Mar 03 JFK NYC

Meet at St. Anthony's and continue by motorcoach to JFK Airport. Depart Newark on El Al Flight #28 non-stop service to Tel Aviv. Dinner and breakfast will be served enroute.

#### Day 2, Wed. Mar 04 Tel Aviv/Tiberias

Early morning arrival in Tel Aviv where you will meet our tour escort. Board our deluxe motorcoach and head for Caesarea where Peter baptized Cornelius (Acts I0:24). Visit the Roman Ampitheatre, the impressive Crusader Fortress and Herod's Stadium and Harbor. View the Roman Aqueduct from the beach and put your feet in the blue Mediterranean Sea. Enjoy a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee and continue to Tiberias for dinner and overnight at the Sea of Galilee Hotel. (Dinner)

#### Day 3, Thur. Mar 05 Tiberias

After breakfast travel to Cana, site of the first miracle where Jesus turned water into wine at a wedding (John 2:1). Continue up the mountains to Nazareth, boyhood town of Jesus. Visit the Church of the Annunciation (Luke I:46) where Mass will be celebrated. Visit the Church of Mary's Well and the house of St. Joseph. Continue to the Sea of Galilee via the Valley of Armageddon to see the excavation at Tel Megiddo, regarded as one of the most important biblical sites in Israel. Enjoy the magnificent panoramic view from the top of the mountain at Mukraka, site of the prophet Elijah's contest of faith with the priests of Baal (1 Kings 18). We return to the Sea of Galilee Hotel for dinner and overnight. (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 4, Fri. Mar 06 Tiberias

We begin with a bus ride to the village of Capernaum. Visit the ruins of St. Peter's House where Jesus stayed while he was preaching in the local synagogue. Visit the second century synagogue and then proceed to Tabgha. Here we will visit the Church of St. Peter's Primacy where Jesus appeared to the disciples after His resurrection. Next we visit the Church of the Multiplication of the Loaves and Fishes (Mark 6:44) Proceed to the Mt. of Beatitudes, overlooking the Sea of Galilee where Jesus gave the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:1) and where Mass will be celebrated. Then travel to Caesarea Phillipi where Peter proclaimed Jesus as the Messiah (Matthew I6:13). Jesus replied that Peter was the rock on which the church would be built. Dinner and overnight at the Sea of Galilee Hotel. (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 5, Sat. Mar 07 Tiberias

Today we visit the recently opened MAGDALA Center in Galilee. When construction began in 2009 for the MAGDALA Center and as workers began to dig, a first century synagogue was discovered and it seems certain that Jesus taught there. As archaeologists continued to dig, they discovered an entire first century Jewish town lying just below the surface. MAGDALA, the hometown of Mary Magdalene provides pilgrims an authentic location to walk where Jesus taught and connect with the first century life of Jesus' followers. Continue on for an inspiring visit to Domus Galilaeae. This afternoon may include

Rimon Winery. Overnight at the Sea of Galilee Hotel (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 6, Sun. Mar 08 Jerusalem

This morning we leave the Sea of Galilee to visit the baptismal site of Jesus on the Jordan River. We then proceed to Mt. Tabor, site of the Transfiguration (Mathew 17.2). We will ascend the mountain to the Church of the

Transfiguration where Mass will be celebrated. Continue to the old Roman city of Beit Shean to visit the impressive ruins. Drive along the Gilboa mountain range. From here we venture south toward the holy city of Jerusalem. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem at Notre Dame Hotel. (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 7, Mon. Mar 09 Jerusalem

Today visit "Old Jerusalem" and follow the Via Dolorosa, "The Way of the Cross" starting at Pilate's Judgement Hall and stopping to pray at each station all the way to "Calvary and the Tomb" and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Wind our way through the ancient cobblestone alleyways amidst the colorful bazaars. Stand at the Western Wailing Wall - the only ruins that remained after the destruction of the Second Temple and where Jewish people worship. Overnight Notre Dame Hotel. (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 8, Tue. Mar 10 Bethany/Masada/Qumran caves

This morning travel to Bethlehem for Mass at the Church of the Nativity. Continue to the Dead Sea (lowest point on earth) to visit the Qumran Caves where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered and then on to Masada. Ascend to the top for a magnificent view of the desert. We will have time for a swim in the Dead Sea and then return to Jerusalem via the Judean wilderness. Overnight at the Notre Dame Hotel (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 9, Wed. Mar 11 Jerusalem

A full day at leisure to pursue personal interests or shop. Mass will be celebrated at the Notre Dame Chapel. Farewell dinner this evening at the Eucalyptus Restaurant. Overnight at the Notre Dame Hotel. (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 10, Thur. Mar 12 Jerusalem

Drive to the Mt. of Olives for an outstanding view of the City and surrounding area. After visiting the place of the Ascension and the Church of Pater Noster (Acts I:9), we will walk down the hill to Dominus Flevit where Jesus wept over Jerusalem (Luke 19:41). Proceed to the Garden of Gethsemane and to the Church of All Nations where Mass can be celebrated. Visit the Church of the Tomb of the Virgin Mary. See the Kidron Valley, Tomb of Absalom, Zachariah and James. We continue on to Mt. Zion, to the Church of the Dormition, the Room of the Last Supper (Luke 22:17) and King David'sTomb. Proceed to the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu, (The Cock Crows) (Mark I4:30) Continue to the Church of the Visitation, the original site of the Magnificat (Luke I:41). Continue to Ein Karem, birthplace of St.John the Baptist. (Breakfast and Dinner)

-Main group members will be transferred to Tel Aviv airport in time for return flight. Dinner included enroute.

-Jordan tour members will travel across Allenby Bridge into Jordan with overnight in Amman

#### Day 11, Fri. Mar13

Main group departs Tel Aviv shortly after midnight with arrival in Newark Airport in the early morning.

#### Jordan Extension

#### Day 10, Thur. Mar 12

*Jordan tour members will travel across Allenby Bridge into Jordan with overnight in Amman* Regency Palace Hotel (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 11, Fri. Mar 13 Amman

Amman city tour including the Temple of Hercules, the restored Roman Theatre and the Roman Forum. Continue to Jerash, one of the best preserved Roman towns in the world. Visit Hippodrome, Hadrian's Arch and the theatre. Regency Palace Hotel. (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 12, Sat. Mar 14 Amman

This morning we head North to Umm Qais the town principally known for its proximity to the ruins of the ancient **Gadara**, also a former bishopric and present Latin Catholic. Then we will head to Irbid to have a special visit at the Church of the Immaculate Conception. Regency Palace Hotel. (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 13, Sun. Mar 15 Petra

Travel to Bethany Beyond The Jordan believed to be the site where John the Baptist lived and where he baptized Jesus. Pope John Paul II visited this site as part of his spiritual pilgrimage to the Holy Land at the start of the new millennium. It is also associated with the ascension of the Prophet Elijah into heaven. Visit Madaba, the "City of Mosaics". In the Greek Orthodox Church of St. George is a vivid 6th Century Byzantine map showing Jerusalem and other holy sites. Close by Madaba is Mt. Nebo where Moses was buried. From here you can see the Jordan River

Valley, the Dead Sea, Jericho and Jerusalem. Visit Karak Castle. Continue to the long lost city of Petra and check into our hotel for dinner and overnight. Panorama Hotel (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 14, Mon. Mar 16 Petra

A most unforgettable day in Petra, one of the new 7 Wonders of the World. Our guide will take you on a private tour into the "rose-red" city which begins at the "Siq", a winding canyon road. At the end of the passage you'll see Petra's most beautiful monument – the Treasury – carved out of the solid rock from the side of the mountain. Beyond the Treasury, you'll discover soaring temples, elaborate royal tombs, a theatre, burial chambers and water channels. You may want to take a rest and enjoy lunch at a Middle Eastern restaurant in the center of Petra. Panorama Hotel (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 15, Tue. Mar 17 Jaffa- Tel Aviv

We leave Petra this morning and travel north to the King Hussein/Allenby bridge for crossing into Israel. Continue to Ein Karem, birthplace of' St. John the Baptist and Emmaus where Jesus appeared to his followers following his Resurrection. Short tour of Jaffa. After dinner transfer to the airport for your El Al flight shortly after midnight. (Breakfast and Dinner)

#### Day 16, Wed, Mar 18

Arrive Newark in the early morning...with memories to last a lifetime!

#### Valid Passport required for all US citizens (valid for at least 6 months beyond return date)

#### **Included Features**

- Round trip air by El Al or similar including taxes and fees based on current rates
- 4 nights accommodations in Tiberias at Sea of Gailee Hotel or similar
- 4 nights accommodations in Jerusalem at the Notre Dame or similar
- 3 nights accommodations in Amman at Regency Palace Hotel or similar for Jordan tour members
- 2 nights accommodations in Petra at the Panorama Hotel or similar for Jordan tour members
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Farewell dinner at the Eucalyptus Restaurant (or similar) in Jerusalem
- All transfers and excursions as per itinerary, with air-conditioned private, deluxe motor coach
- Entrance fees for sightseeing, per itinerary
- English-speaking tour leader for the duration of trip
- Baggage handling while on tour, 1 bag per person (maximum weight 50lbs.)
- All hotel taxes and service charges
- Gratuities for driver and guides
- Transportation by motorcoach from St. Anthonys church in Ambler to NY airport roundtrip.

#### \*\* Celebration of Holy Mass will be arranged according to the wishes of Msgr. Mc Henry.

### Comprehensive Travel Insurance Coverage is available for\$254.00 per person (for Israel portion) Additional premium for Jordan extension and single supplement will be quoted at time of booking.

Trip Cancellation - up to amount of trip cost Trip Interruption - up to amount of trip cost

Emergency Medical/Dental - up to \$50,000.00 PRIMARY

Emergency Medical Transportation - up to \$250,000.00

Baggage Loss/Damage - up to \$1.500.00

Baggage Delay - up to \$500.00

Travel Delay - up to \$750.00

In order to cover pre-existing conditions, Insurance premium must be purchase at time of initial deposit.

## Price: \$3717.00 per person based on double occupancy - Holy Land

Airline taxes, surcharges and security fees are included, but subject to change.

#### Jordan Extension - \$1593.00 per person / double occupancy

Single room supplement \$870.00 for Israel

Single room supplement \$450.00 for Jordan extension.

<u>Payment Schedule</u>: Initial Deposit Due at time of booking: \$500.00 per person (check only, payable to: Spring House Travel)

or \$700.00 per person with the Jordan Extension Final Payment Due: December 20, 2019 (check only, payable to Spring House Travel)

#### **Cancellation penalty:**

Date of deposit to 160 days prior: \$350.00 per person 159 to 46 days prior to departure: \$500.00 per person 45 to 31 days prior to departure: 50% of total cost of tour 30 to 00 days prior to departure: 100% no refund

#### **Terms and Conditions:**

**Tour Price:** Tour price is based on airfares, land rates and exchange rates in effect at the time of printing. Group rates are based on minimum of 30 passengers for Israel and 12 for Jordan. Rates are subject to change if minimum numbers are not met.

**Included:** The price includes the services specifically listed on itinerary. Airline taxes and surcharges are subject to change prior to ticketing (final payment).

**Not Included:** Meals, beverages, and sightseeing other than that which is listed in the specific itinerary, passport fees, visa fees and bank charges, any item of a personal nature including dry cleaning and valet services, additional baggage fees.

**Passport:** A valid U.S. Passport is required for all U.S. Citizens. Passport must be valid for 6 months following the return date of the trip or boarding may be denied or entry into the destination may be forbidden.

**Health Requirements:** Travelers must be medically and physically fit for this tour. This tour requires significant walking, as motor coaches are not permitted to pick up and drop off in front of major attractions.

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# **RESERVATION APPLICATION**

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