

Your Invitation

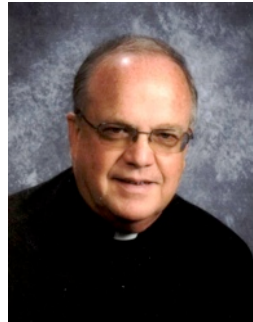
10 DAY PILGRIMAGE TO: THE HOLY LAND

Dear Friends,

I invite you to join me for a "Once in a Lifetime Experience" to see the very places where Jesus walked, taught and lived His earthly life. The Bible will come alive for you. The trip to the Holy Land has inspired thousands of visitors over the years. It will inspire you as you walk where Jesus walked. It will be the most unforgettable trip of your lifetime.

I am certain you will return filled with enthusiasm, gratitude and a renewed faith.

"To walk in the footsteps of Jesus cannot be described. It can only be experienced."



Complete the enrollment form and mail it to me today to confirm your space. I would like to share this experience with you and encourage you to join me. I look forward to your companionship.

Sincerely,

Fr. Robert E. Harris

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Your Journey Features:

- Roundtrip air transportation from Des Moines (DSM)
- First Class & Deluxe Hotels
- Land transportation via deluxe, private motor coach with free Wi-Fi included
- Taxes & fuel surcharge (\$710) and tips (\$80) included
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Entrance fees to all sites on itinerary
- A boat ride on the Sea of Galilee and cable car ride to the top of Masada. The Jesus boat and whisper headsets are included.
- Daily Masses included

Please Read This Important Information:

Deposit - \$300 due upon booking

Second Payment due - 150 days prior to departure 50% of balance

Full Balance due - 75 days prior to departure

Each tour member must hold a U.S. passport that is valid until at least Application forms are available at your local Passport Office or U.S. Postal Service. Any required visas will be processed for US citizens only. **Non-US citizens are solely responsible for obtaining any required visas.**

Rates based on double-occupancy, the airline tax and fuel surcharge (\$710) and currency exchange rate(s) at the date of quotation to your host. Subject to change up to 30 days prior to departure.



EARLY BIRD SPECIAL
\$100 Off if deposit is received by: April 1, 2017

Departing
Oct/Nov 2018
from Des Moines (DSM)
\$3,698.00

All Inclusive!
(Except Lunches)

Hosted By:
Spiritual Leader:
Fr. Robert E. Harris



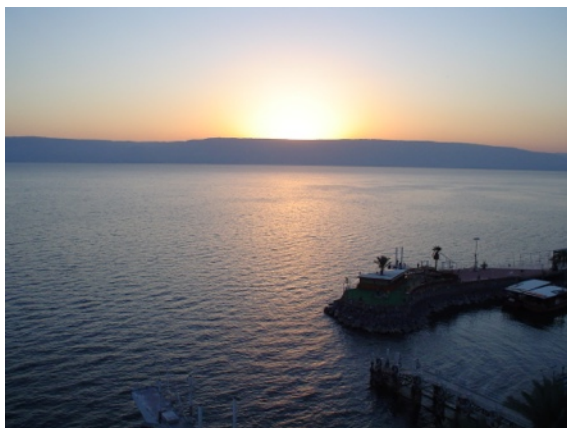
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The Holy Land

DAY 01: BEGINNING OUR PILGRIMAGE. Depart North America via jet service. Dinner and breakfast will be served on board.

DAY 02: INTO THE LAND OF THE BIBLE. Upon arrival into Tel Aviv, you will be met by your tour guide who will assist you with formalities. A luxury motor coach will transfer you to your hotel in Netanya for dinner and overnight.



DAY 03: ALL THE PAST YEARS WITH HISTORY. Early morning departure to Caesarea Martima in the Plains of Sharon to visit the ruins of the Crusader's City, surrounded by a moat and a city wall enclosing the ruins of the Roman City. Visit the Roman Theater and proceed along the shores of the Mediterranean to Haifa. Visit Mount Carmel and the Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Visit the Cave of the Prophet Elijah. Proceed to Nazareth where we visit the Basilica of the Annunciation enclosing the remains of the House of Joachim and Ann and the site where the Angel Gabriel appeared to the Virgin Mary to announce that she was to become the Mother of God. **Mass** is celebrated here followed by a visit to the Home of the Holy Family, St. Joseph's workshop, Mary's Well and the Synagogue where Jesus preached. Continue to Cana, where Christ performed his first miracle, the Transformation of Water into Wine, and where any married couples can renew their marriage vows. Proceed to your hotel in Tiberias for dinner.

DAY 04: THE SEA OF GALILEE AND UPPER GALILEE. In the morning, we cross the Sea of Galilee by boat from Tiberias to Capernaum, now in ruins but once a thriving town where Peter lived and where much of the public ministry of Christ took place. See the Church of the Primacy of Peter and to Tabgha - the chapel dedicated to the multiplication of the loaves and



fishes. We visit the 'Jesus Boat'. **Mass** will be celebrated at the Mount of Beatitudes where Christ taught the Eight Beatitudes to his Disciples. Continue to the ruins of Magdala where Mary Magdalen lived. In the afternoon, drive to the Golan Heights, overlooking Upper Galilee. Visit the Baniyas (Caesarea Philippi). Cross the River Jordan via Jacob's Daughters Bridge and continue to Pilgrim's Park for renewal of baptismal vows in the River Jordan. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

DAY 05: ALONG THE JORDAN VALLEY. After breakfast, we leave Tiberias and drive to the top of Mt. Tabor, the site of the Transfiguration where **Mass** will be celebrated. Then onto Jericho stopping at the site of Inn of the Good Samaritan. Visit Elijah's Fountain and the ancient city of Jericho from which you can view the Mount of Temptation, where Jesus fasted for forty days and forty nights. Continue to Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered for a visit. See the remains of the Community Center of the Essenes and the Caves of the Scrolls. We continue our drive to the Dead Sea for an optional swim. Then onto to the Holy City of Jerusalem for dinner and overnight.

DAY 06: JERUSALEM AND BETHLEHEM. Drive to Bethlehem. Visit the Basilica of the Nativity, built over the site of the birthplace of Christ where **Mass** will be celebrated. Visit the Cave where Christ was born and it is the occasion to sing the traditional Christmas Hymns. A visit is made to the Chapel of St. Jerome, who

lived here for many years and translated the Bible into Latin. The nearby Church of St. Catherine is the venue for the midnight Mass which is broadcast all over the World from Bethlehem on Christmas Eve. Continue to the Shepherds field, recalling the "great throng of the heavenly hosts" who

appeared to the Shepherds and told them of the birth of the Savior. In the afternoon, visit Ein Karem, the place of the Visitation where Our Lady came to visit her cousin Elizabeth. View the plaques with the Magnificat in most languages of the World. Visit the parish church of St. John the Baptist, and the Grotto of his birth. Return to your hotel for dinner.

DAY 07: MOUNTAINS OF JERUSALEM. This morning we request a meeting with his Beatitude, Fouad Twal, the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem. (if available). Then we visit the Church of St. Ann, built on the site of birthplace of Our Lady, where **Mass** will be celebrated. Continue to the Pool of Bethesda, where Christ healed the paralytic. Then we tour the Old City of Jerusalem, visiting the Chapel of Flagellation, the chapel of Condemnation and the Lithostrotos, the site of the Antonia Fortress where Julius Caesar resided at the time of Christ and where Christ was tried and condemned to death. Beginning the way of the Cross here, join the walk along the Via Dolorosa led by the Franciscans - ending at the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher, built over the site of the Crucifixion and the Tomb. **Mass** at the Basilica on the Holy Sepulcher. Visit Calvary and the Tomb of Our Lord followed by a short tour of the Basilica. Continue to Mount Zion, visiting the room of the Last Supper, Church of the Dormition and then visit the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu built on the site of the house of Caiphas which encloses the dungeon where Christ was kept on Holy Thursday night and where Peter denied Christ thrice. We return to our hotel for dinner and rest.

DAY 08: JERUSALEM. This morning we Visit the Temple area, the spot where the original temple was built and which was the scene of many episodes from the life of Christ, such as the expulsion of the money changers. Here now stands the Dome of the Rock, the third holiest spot in the world for the Moslem



faith. Visit the El Aksa Mosque and then the Wailing Wall which is the most sacred spot in the world for the Jews. This afternoon, we drive to the Mount of Olives and visit the Church of the Ascension, the spot where Christ ascended into Heaven. We will celebrate **Mass** the Pater Noster Church commemorating Christ's teaching of the Our Father to his disciples; Dominus Fleuit, the spot where Christ wept over Jerusalem and onwards to the Church of All Nations. Visit the Cave of the betrayal of Jesus and the Tomb of Our Lady. In the afternoon proceed to the Shrine of the Book, enclosing the Dead Sea Scrolls. This evening, we will have the opportunity for meditation in the Garden Gethsemane where Jesus prayed the night before he was crucified. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.



DAY 09: MOUNTAINS OF JERUSALEM / Airport. After breakfast, we drive to Masada. We ascend by cable car to the top of the magnificent ruins of the fortress where from 70-73 A.D., the Jewish defenders made the last standoff the Judean revolt against Rome and where the remains of storehouses, cistern, and a sixth century Byzantine church are still on view. We drive to Bethany and visit the new Church, built on the site of the house of Mary and Martha. We visit the Tomb of Lazarus. We will have **Mass** at the Lazarus Church. Stop for dinner at a local restaurant before we return to the Tel Aviv airport for check-in and our late evening flight home.

DAY 10: Arrive NORTH AMERICA. This morning we arrive in North America - the end of our most enjoyable pilgrimage.

