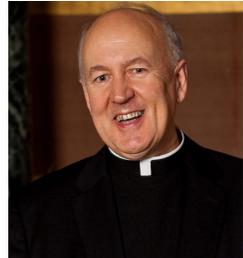


"Deep in History" Pilgrimage to the Holy Land with the Coming Home Network, International April 21 - May 2, 2023

*Ken Hensley and Msgr. Jeffrey Steenson team up on
The Coming Home Network's second "Deep in History" pilgrimage!*



Day 1: Friday (April 21) DEPART USA Depart from Newark International airport for our overnight flight to Tel Aviv with complimentary meals and beverages served aloft.

Day 2: Saturday (April 22) ARRIVE TEL AVIV / TRANSFER TO HOTEL
On arrival we will be met by our tour guide and proceed to our hotel in Tel Aviv on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea. (D)

Day 3: Sunday (April 23) JOPPA / CAESAREA / MUHRAQA / TIBERIAS: After breakfast we check out and visit St. Peter's Church in Joppa. We then travel towards Caesarea Maritima where we will have a brief visit to the magnificent city with the Roman, Byzantine, and Crusader ruins. Here we will elaborate on the story of the baptism of Cornelius, the first gentile converts into Christianity. Continue to Mount Carmel where we hear about the Prophet Elijah and the false prophets of Baal. Celebrate Mass at Muhraqa. We end the day near the Sea of Galilee for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Day 4: Monday (April 24) TIBERIAS: NAZARETH / CANA

This morning we drive to Nazareth, the site of Mary's home and the town where Jesus lived as a child, learned a trade, and grew to manhood. We celebrate Mass at the Church of the Annunciation built over the traditional site of Mary's home, where the words of the Angel Gabriel were first spoken: "Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus." We will also visit the nearby Church of St. Joseph's Workshop. After lunch we continue to the village of Cana where Our Lord performed his first miracle turning water into wine. Here we remember His Blessed Mother's words, "Do whatever He tells you." We return to Tiberias for free time, dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Day 5: Tuesday (April 25) TIBERIAS: MT. OF BEATITUDES / CAESAREA PHILIPPI / TABGHA / TIBERIAS: After breakfast we drive to the Mt. of Beatitudes for a visit, Mass and reflection time. We continue from there to Caesarea Philippi, where Jesus asked his disciples "Who do People say that I am". We drive through the Golan Heights to view the Syrian Border. Lunch in a Druze Village in Mesada at Rin Lebanese Druze Restaurant, included, before returning to Galilee to Visit Tabgha, where Jesus Multiplied the Loaves and fishes and Peter's Primacy, where Jesus said to Peter, "Feed my sheep". Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Wednesday (April 26) CAPHARNAUM / SEA OF GALILEE / MAGDALA: We begin today visiting the archaeological site of the city of Capharnaum where Jesus began his Galilean ministry, called many of his disciples and performed many miracles. Here we celebrate Mass, see the site of Simon Peter's home and stand in the first century synagogue where the Gospel of John tells us Jesus spoke those incredible words: "I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any one eats this bread, he will live forever." After lunch of St. Peter's Fish we will end the day with a boat ride for a brief excursion on the Sea of Galilee followed by a visit to the Magdala Center to see one of the best preserved first century synagogues in all of Israel. Return to our hotel in Tiberias for dinner and relaxation. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Thursday (April 27) MT TABOR / BEIT SHEAN / JERICHO / JERUSALEM: Today we begin our journey with Jesus to Jerusalem where He is condemned, crucified, and is raised from the dead. We begin that journey as Jesus did with a trip to Mount Tabor where Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James and John and they glimpse a sign of his glory before witnessing His passion and death. Following Mass on Mount Tabor, we set out toward Jerusalem, stopping to walk the ancient Roman ruins of Beit She'an near Mount Gilboa, where Saul and his son Jonathan died in battle with the Philistines. We will also visit the archaeological site of the ancient city of Jericho, where walls dating to the time of Joshua and before have been uncovered. We continue past the Mount of Temptation and on to Jerusalem. Time permitting we will stop to take pictures before heading to our hotel just outside the walls of the Old City. (B, D)

Day 8: Friday (April 28) JERUSALEM / BETHLEHEM

After breakfast we travel to the Shepherds' Field for Mass in the Shepherds' Cave. We then enter the town of Bethlehem and visit the Church of the Nativity built over the site of Our Lord's birth. After lunch we will visit the Olive Wood store where we can do some shopping to support local Palestinian Christians. Tonight we enjoy a special dinner in Bethlehem at a Bedouin Tent restaurant complete with traditional dancing. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B, D)

Day 9: Saturday (April 29) JERUSALEM: MT. OF OLIVES & MT. ZION

We begin this morning at the top of the Mount of Olives overlooking the Old City of Jerusalem. Walking down the slope we visit the Church of Pater Noster and then Dominus Flevit Church, marking when Jesus wept over the city. We continue to the Garden of Gethsemane where we will visit the Church of All Nations and then celebrate Mass in an underground church dedicated to Mary. From here we travel across the Kidron Valley to Mount Zion to visit the traditional sight of the Upper Room as well as the Dormition Abbey Church, which honors the passage of Our Lady into heaven.

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\$5,289.00 per person, *Cash/Ck*
based on **40** participants &
double occupancy. *Paying with
Credit card total cost: \$5,501.00*
**LAND ONLY: \$4,399.00 Cash/
Ck. With credit Card: \$4,575.00**

Included

- Round trip air from EWR / TLV
- 10 Nights hotels
- Breakfast & Dinner daily + 2 lunches
- English speaking tour escort/
guide throughout
- Private motor coach throughout
- All tips to guide / driver
- Transfers to and from all
international airports
- Entrance fees as noted in itinerary
- Private Mass arrangements daily
(Locations noted pending confirmation)
- Taxes and fuel surcharge
*(subject to increase 30 days
prior to departure)*

Not Included

- Transportation to Newark (EWR)
- Optional Travel insurance:
(strongly recommended)
Travel insurance: **NOTE:**
*Some countries may require travel
insurance. (At this printing Israel
is requiring insurance to cover Covid-
19. We do not know if this will still be
the case when this group travels)*
- Any/all Covid-19 test(s) that may be
required by airlines, departing /
arriving country and transfer
country. This may or may not be
applicable when group travels.
- Lunches, except where noted &
beverages w/meals.
- Items of personal nature
- Any items not specifically mentioned
- **Limited Single rooms: Call for
availability and cost.**

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We end at the Church of St. Peter Gallicantu, built over the spot where Jesus was held in the dungeon of Caiaphas' house, and where St. Peter denied Our Lord three times. (B, D)

Day 10: Sunday (April 30) JERUSALEM: QUMRAN / MASADA / DEAD SEA / JERUSALEM

Today we take an excursion to Qumran and the site of the ancient Jewish sect of the Essenes. Learn about the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls and see some of the caves in which the scrolls were discovered. From here we travel south to visit Masada, situated on top of a high plateau, the site of one of Herod's palaces and of the final tragic episode in the first-century Jewish-Roman War. According to Josephus, the siege of Masada in A.D. 73-74 ended with the mass suicide of the 960 Jews hiding out there. On our way back to Jerusalem we stop at the Dead Sea, where those who wish can take a few moments to float in the saltiest sea on earth. Free-time, dinner and overnight in Jerusalem. (B, D)

Day 11: Monday (May 01) JERUSALEM: VIA DOLOROSA & HOLY SEPULCHRE / JEWISH QUARTER / WAILING WALL / TEMPLE MOUNT / POOL OF BETHESDA:

This morning we visit St. Stephen's Gate, the Church of St. Anne and the Pool of Bethesda where Jesus healed the paralytic. We then walk the Via Dolorosa, the Way of the Cross, which ends in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, built over the site of Our Lord's crucifixion, burial and resurrection. Here we will celebrate Mass. After lunch at a local rooftop restaurant in the Old City, we will walk to the sacred Jewish Temple area of the Western Wall to pray and then, if possible, visit the Temple Mount itself, dominated by the Muslim Dome of the Rock and Al-Aqsa Mosque. The remainder of the day we are free to relax, shop, or just walk the narrow streets of the Old City (B, D)

Day 12: Tuesday (May 02) JERUSALEM / USA: After breakfast depart for the airport for our return flight home.

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NOTES: *While no changes are anticipated, there may be occasions when sequence and days of visits may change and certain alterations become necessary due to changes beyond our control.*

All Masses are subject to final confirmation.

To register for this pilgrimage please read, complete and sign the registration form, and the Covid-19 release form and return with your deposit.

In today's uncertain times all prices are subject to change prior to departure due to major currency fluctuations, changes in fuel prices and/or unforeseen economic circumstances beyond our control.

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