



EASTERN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND OF ISRAEL, WITH A VISIT TO MT. SINAI, EGYPT

Led by

**Rev. Father Mark Munoz, Pastor
SAINTS CONSTANTINE & HELEN PARISH, ROCKFORD, IL
September 21-Oct 1, 2009**

DAY 1- Depart Chicago on our way to Tel Aviv, Israel.

DAY 2 - Arrival to Ben-Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv, where our representative greets you, and gives you a briefing about the forthcoming pilgrimage in the Holy Land. Proceed to your hotel on the shore of the Mediterranean Sea.

DAY 3 - Drive along the coast to Caesarea Maritima ; where Paul was imprisoned and Cornelius baptized, visit the Roman Theatre, Aqueduct and remains. On to Mt. Tabor to visit the Church of the Transfiguration. Later drive to Nazareth and visit the Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation, where Gabriel appeared to Mary, and to Cana of Galilee – site of the first miracle (John 2). Overnight stay in Galilee.

DAY 4 - Tour the Sea of Galilee. Visit Capernaum and Simon Peter's house, the Mount of the Beatitudes and Tabgha - the site of the feeding of the multitudes. Take the boat ride across the Sea of Galilee and later enjoy a St. Peter's fish lunch. Walk along the Holy Jordan River where Jesus was baptized. Overnight stay in Galilee.

DAY 5 - Drive south through the beautiful Jordan River Valley and visit the St Gerassimo; site of the Holy family's visit on the way to Egypt, view St George's Monastery, Visit Jericho, Zacheus's Tree, Elisha's Spring and the Greek-Orthodox Monastery on top of The Mount of Temptation. Overnight stay in Jerusalem.

DAY 6- Drive to Bethlehem to worship at the ancient Greek Orthodox Church of the Nativity, Manger Square, and view the beautiful Shepherds' Fields. Continue our pilgrimage to the Mount of Olives - the Church of Maria Magdalena, the Garden of Gethsemane Overnight stay in Jerusalem.

DAY 7 – Walk into the Old City of Jerusalem. Experience the various quarters and the underground excavations. Walk to the sacred Church of The Anastasis (The Holy Sepulchre), and visit the Greek Orthodox Monastery of St. Haralambos, Prison of Christ. Later visit the Church of St. Anne, built over the pool of Bethesda.

DAY 8- Visit Mt Zion: the room of the Last Supper, the Tomb of David, Caiaphas' House, Church of the Cross and village of Ein Karem site of the birthplace of St John the Baptist and site of the Visitation. Overnight stay in Jerusalem

DAY 9, Depart Jerusalem on our journey to Sinai to visit Mt Sinai and St Catherine's Monastery – drive through the Arava Desert to the Egyptian border. Overnight at a hotel by the foot of Mt Sinai.

DAY 10, Early risers may ascend to the top of Mt Sinai for “a breathtaking view of creation”. Visit the Sinai Monastery and Patriarchate. Return to Israel for overnight stay.

DAY 11, Morning departure back to Chicago.

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INSURANCE: Comprehensive insurance protection is strongly recommended.

Please note: The departure taxes are subject to change. The itinerary and its sequence are subject to change.

COST AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Package price in twin room	\$2,698
** int'l departure taxes	**see below
Single room supplement, if needed, add:	\$585

Payment schedule:

Deposit upon signing up: \$300

2nd payment, by MARCH 15, 2009: \$600

Final payment due: AUGUST 1, 2009

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Cost includes:

- ✓ Round-trip airfare ORD / TLV
- ✓ All transfers and luggage handling in Israel
- ✓ First class hotel accommodations, double occupancy
- ✓ Breakfast and dinner daily
- ✓ Hotel taxes and service charge
- ✓ Sightseeing in a deluxe motorcoach with an English speaking licensed tour guide
- ✓ Entrance fees to sites
- ✓ Visit to the Orthodox Monastery, Mt. Sinai, Egypt
- ✓ Boat ride across the Sea of Galilee
- ✓ Complimentary St. Peter's fish lunch
- ✓ Farewell dinner on last evening in Israel

Not included:

- ** International departure taxes and fuel surcharge are collected at the time of final payment and paid to the airlines on your behalf on ticketing day. Therefore final amount is to be determined at time of ticketing. As of Nov '08: app. \$450 **
- Visa entry fee to Egypt and border crossing fees
- Gratuities to guide, bus driver and hotel staff (suggested \$95)

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*Full package Price per person, based on double occupancy - \$2,698+ airline taxes***

NAME (per passport): _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE _____ ZIP: _____

Home Tel No.: () _____ Work Tel No.: () _____

Name of roommate, if known _____

E-mail: _____ Date of Birth _____

Passport No. _____ Issue date _____ Expire date _____

() Please confirm a single room supplement for an additional \$585

Airline seats preference, subject to airlines approval: () no preference () aisle () window

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Signed: _____ Date: _____

