

Walking with Jesus & Witnessing to Christ: A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Tour #2 (7 nights/8 days)

Day 1

Depart via scheduled air service. The destination is Tel Aviv

Day 2

Tel Aviv / Jerusalem

(D)

Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport

Meet your Faith Journeys Tour Manager who will assist the group to awaiting chartered motorcoach. for a panoramic tour of Tel Aviv

Late afternoon hotel check-in

Dinner, then check into hotel in Jerusalem.

Day 3

Nazareth & the Sea of Galilee

(B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Celebrate Mass in the Church of the Annunciation and view the ruins of the ancient churches and remains of Nazareth of Jesus' day. Continue to the Church of the Wedding at Cana where Jesus performed his first miracle of turning water into wine. Visit the baptismal site on the Jordan River.

Lunch, on own.

Tour the Sea of Galilee.

Evening dinner and overnight.

Day 4

Bethlehem & Jericho

(B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Drive to the Judean Desert via Bethany to stop at Wadi Qelt for a short devotion by the road of the Good Samaritan. Continue to Jericho, the world's oldest city, climbing the ancient Tel to view the Mount of Temptation. We then drive through the Jordan Valley to Nazareth

Lunch, on own

Travel to the Shepherd's Fields to rejoice over the glad tidings of the birth of Jesus. Continue to Bethlehem to visit the 5th-century Church of the Nativity and celebrate Mass in the Chapel of the Massacre of the Innocents. Enjoy some time at leisure to shop for famous Bethlehem crafts.

Evening dinner and overnight

Day 5

Masada & the Dead Sea

(B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Drive to Bethany to visit the Tomb of Lazarus and hold Mass in the Church of the House of Mary and Martha. Continue through the Judean Wilderness to the desert fortress of Masada. We ascend by cable car to view the palaces of Herod and the site of Zealots' last stand against the Romans.

Lunch, on own

Stop in Ein Gedi to walk up to the waterfall and see the conies and ibex.

After a short stop in Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were written, we will float in the Dead Sea, at the lowest point on the face of the earth

Evening dinner and overnight



Day 6

Jerusalem

(B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Ascend Mount Tabor for a breathtaking view over the Valley of Jezreel, Galilee, Gilead, and Samaria. Celebrate Mass in the Church of the Transfiguration. Travel across the Valley of Jezreel to ancient Har-Megiddo or Ar-mageddon

Lunch, on own

Continue to Caesarea to visit the aqueduct, the ancient Herodian harbor, the remains of the seaside palace of Pontius Pilate, and the theater. Continue through the Sharon Plain to the Holy City of Jerusalem. As we catch our first glimpse of the city from Mount Scopus, your guide will welcome you with a short ceremony of bread and salt

Evening dinner and overnight



Day 7

Jerusalem

(B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Tour City of Jerusalem.

We begin our day with a birds' eye view of the Old City from the Mount of Olives and descend the traditional Palm Sunday Road, to the Church of Dominus Fleuit to Celebrate Mass. Continue to the Western (Wailing) Wall, remnant of the Temple in which Jesus preached

Lunch, on own

Continue to the Temple Mount, viewing the Muslim Dome of the Rock, built on the site of the Holy of Holies of the Temple. Visit the Crusader Church of St. Anne and the Pools of Bethesda, where Jesus healed the man paralyzed for 38 years. This evening we will walk through the underground tunnels to see the remnants of the Temple Mount of Jesus' day

Evening dinner and overnight



Day 8

Jerusalem

(B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Depart from Ben Gurion.



This is a very flexible itinerary. Except for confirmed appointments, the places of interest and the sequence of sightseeing might be changed if necessary or desirable.

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