# All-inclusive, Luxury Pilgrimage to **The Holy Land**

Embark on a luxury pilgrimage to the Holy Land bringing you face to face with the world of Jesus and His Gospel, lived out before your eyes. With over 20 years' experience, our beautiful, tried and tested itinerary promises to bring the faithful pilgrim an unforgettable and life-changing experience. From Galilee to Jerusalem, take in the beautiful landscape, immerse yourself in the wonderful culture and discover the rich history the Holy Land has to offer. Benefitting from a small group size, this pilgrimage is all-inclusive, so all meals are included, together with a non-stop return flight from the UK to Tel Aviv with Israel's national airline, EL AL (in-flight meals included), a touring coach, our best professional local Christian guide, tips and gratuities (paid directly to the guide, driver and hotel staff), as well as luxurious 5\* en-suite accommodation.

from **£2,967** 

per person

# 5 - 12 Sep 2023

8 Days / 7 Nights

# Spiritual Director – Fr John Moloney

For further details tel. 07833 773 060 To secure your place at <u>this price</u>, book by 24th Feb 2023 Receive 50% discount if you encourage 10+ friends/family to book







## DAILY ITINERARY

#### Day 1, Tuesday 5th September

#### UK/Tel Aviv/Jerusalem

Depart on your flight from London Heathrow to Tel Aviv. Upon arrival at Tel Aviv airport your guide and coach will be waiting to transfer you to your 5-star hotel in Jerusalem. You will be staying at the 5\* Inbal Jerusalem Hotel – during your 4 nights here you will experience the real charm, authentic Jerusalem hospitality and friendly ambience the hotel has to offer; enjoy your beautiful Deluxe room and the highest standard modern cuisine at the hotel gourmet restaurant and unwind at the spa.

#### Day 2, Wednesday 6th September

#### Jerusalem/Bethlehem/Shepherds' Fields

After breakfast, we travel to Bethlehem and visit the Basilica of Nativity. We visit the Grotto inside the Nativity Church where Jesus was born, followed by a viewing of the 12th century wall mosaic, St. Jerome's Tomb, the Chapel of the Holy Innocents and St. Joseph's Grotto, and Mass here. Afterward we walk to the Milk Grotto and the Museum of the Miracles. Following lunch we proceed by coach to the Shepherds' Fields visiting the grottos there and the chapel above where the angels first sang the 'Gloria in Excelcis Deo' on the night of the first Christmas. Before returning to our hotel there will be an opportunity to do some souvenir shopping. Dinner at your hotel in Jerusalem.

#### Day 3, Thursday 7th September

#### Mount of Olives/Ein Karem

After breakfast we travel to the Mount of Olives, walking first to the Ascension Dome then to Pater Noster Grotto where Jesus taught His Prayer, Our Father. Next, we walk to Dominus Flevit and celebrate Mass where Jesus wept over Jerusalem. We continue our walk to Gethsemane Garden and the Church of All Nations to view the Rock of Agony, spending a few moments here for prayer and personal reflection. After lunch we take our coach to Ein Karem for the Visitation Shrine of Our Lady to St Elizabeth, followed by a viewing of the Basilica of St John the Baptist and the chapel where he was born. Evening dinner at the hotel.

#### Day 4, Friday 8th September

#### Jerusalem – Old City/Mt Zion

After breakfast at the hotel, we tour the Old City, entering via Lion's Gate and visit St Anne's Basilica where Our Lady was born and the Pools of Bethesda. Proceed to the Church of Ecce Homo built on the site of the Palace of Pilate and there we visit the Churches of the Flagellation and the Crowning with Thorns, followed by the Stations of the Cross along Via Dolorosa. Here we follow the route Our Lord walked on the first Good Friday. We can carry a Cross from here changing at every station (optional), finishing in the Holy Sepulchre Basilica - the holiest place on earth for all Catholics. We celebrate Mass in the Chapel of Apparition. Afterward we visit Mt Calvary, the Holy Tomb of Jesus and the Grotto of the True Cross. After lunch we walk to Mt Zion and visit the Upper Room (The Last Supper), King David's Tomb and the magnificent Dormition Abbey where Our Lady was assumed to heaven. Before returning to our hotel in Bethlehem we visit St Peter's in Gallicantu and the dungeon below where Jesus was imprisoned after His mock trial on Maundy Thursday night. Evening dinner at the hotel.

#### Day 5, Saturday 9th September

#### Western Wall/Bethany/Jericho/Dead Sea/Masada

After breakfast, we check out of the hotel and then visit the Wailing Wall. This is the holiest site in Judaism, being the last surviving structure of the temple destroyed in 70 AD. We then leave Jerusalem and head north along the Jordan Valley to Bethany, upon arrival we visit St Lazarus' Church and celebrate Mass here. Proceed to Jericho where we view the Mount of Temptation and Zacchaeus' Sycamore Tree. Proceed to Masada and see the remains of the ancient fortress built over the rocky mountain by Herod the Great in the first century BC. We ride a cable car to reach the top of the site and enjoy the spectacular view. After descending from Masada, drive along the shores of the Dead Sea to Qumran and lunch here. Afterwards we proceed to the Dead Sea for the floating experience. The water here is famously revitalising for the skin because of the high levels of naturally occurring minerals. Continue onto Tiberias and check in to our 5-star hotel, situated on the Sea of Galilee with stunning views and private beach access. You will stay here for 3 nights. Evening dinner here.

#### Day 6, Sunday 10th September

#### Nazareth/Cana/Tiberias

After breakfast, we visit the magnificent Basilica of Annunciation, built on the Grotto where the Annunciation took place. There will be time to reflect and pray in front of the Grotto before viewing the upper level and various donated art works depicting the Virgin Mary. We celebrate Mass here. Walk across the road to view the Synagogue of Jesus and Mary's Well. We leave for Cana where Jesus performed his first miracles. It will be possible for married couples to renew their marriage vows in a ceremony at the Church of the Wedding. Drive to the River Jordan 'Yardenit' to participate in a ceremony reaffirming our Baptismal Vows. Evening dinner at the hotel.

#### Day 7, Monday 11th September

#### Tiberias/River Jordan/Sea of Galilee

After breakfast, we travel along the shore of the Sea of Galilee, visiting the Mount of Beatitudes where the Sermon on the Mount took place, St Peter's Primacy where Christ appeared to the Apostles after His Resurrection (celebrate Mass here), followed by the Church of the Loaves and Fishes in Tabgha where the Feeding of the 5,000 took place. We will have lunch nearby with the option to eat St. Peter's Fish (fresh tilapia). Afterwards we enjoy a wonderful boat ride on the Sea of Galilee itself before driving to Capernaum - the town of Jesus - where we visit St Peter's Church and view the remains of the ancient synagogue in which Jesus used to teach. Evening dinner at the hotel.

#### Day 8, Tuesday 12th September

#### Mt. Tabor/Haifa/Mt. Carmel/UK

After check-out we say farewell to Tiberias and begin our journey south-west to Mount Tabor, believed to be the holy site where Jesus was transfigured and became radiant in glory upon a mountain. We will alight from our coach and take minivan taxis to the summit. Here we celebrate Mass in the beautiful Church of the Transfiguration before enjoying a panoramic view of the surrounding countryside. If time permits before our flight we may visit Mt Carmel in Haifa and the Basilica of Our Lady Star of the Sea (headquarters of the Carmelite Order) and view the Cave of Prophet Elijah. Proceed to Tel Aviv airport for our flight back to London.

Note: itinerary may be subject to change. E & OE.

# PRICE INCLUDES

- Direct, return flight between London Heathrow and Tel Aviv (EL AL)
- 4 nights at 5\* The Inbal Jerusalem Hotel, Jerusalem, or hotel of similar standard
- 3 nights at 5\* U Boutique Kinneret by the Sea of Galilee, Tiberias, or hotel of similar standard
- Full board (breakfast, lunch and dinner, except on day 1)
- In-flight meals (day 1 and day 8)
- Transfers between airport and hotel
- Entrance fees as per itinerary
- Entrance fee to Masada
- Taxis to the summit of Mt Tabor The Church of Transfiguration
- Daily Masses arranged at various sites in the Holy Land
- Executive coach for touring
- Tour guide headsets
- Professional local guide
- Boat ride on the Sea of Galilee
- UK airport taxes and government charges
- Check-in luggage (23kg) + hand carry
- Personalised ID badge and luggage label
- Hymn booklet and Prayer booklet
- ATOL Protection Contribution
- Tips & Gratuities (paid directly to the guide, driver and hotel staff £65)

# NOT INCLUDED

- Single room (limited availability), £1,159 for 7 nights
- Travel Insurance (compulsory)

# HOW TO BOOK

- The booking deadline at the advertised price is 24 Feb 2023. If you are booking after this date, contact us first for the current price.
- Fill in our online booking form https://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/HL0756/.
- Deposit required to secure your place: £500 (by card or by cheque).
- Final balance must be paid 2 months prior to travel.
- Flexible monthly payments are available. Contact us for details.

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