

SOUTHWESTERN LIEUTENANCY OF THE
EQUESTRIAN ORDER OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE

14 DAY
Pilgrimage Retreat
TO THE HOLY LAND

Jerusalem ❖ Nazareth ❖ Bethlehem ❖ Sea of Galilee
Mt. Beatitudes ❖ Gethsemane ❖ Tiberias

January 24 – February 6, 2027

$4,190.00 Per Person From Houston

Includes: *Roundtrip Air Transportation from Houston, Hotels (double occupancy) as listed per Itinerary, Daily Mass, Sightseeing with Guide, Daily Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner, Airport Taxes and Fuel Surcharges, and Tips to Hotel Staff.*

Spiritual Director: Very Rev. Norbert Maduzia Jr., E.V., D.Min.
St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church – Spring, TX

14 DAY PILGRIMAGE RETREAT

January 24 Sunday: Houston / Frankfurt

Depart Houston on Lufthansa German Airlines with nonstop flight to Frankfurt.

January 25 Monday: Frankfurt / Tel Aviv / Tiberias

Arrive in Frankfurt and change planes to Tel Aviv. On arrival in Tel Aviv you will be met and transferred to the Mount of Beatitudes Hotel in the Galilee to the Pilgerhaus.
Overnight at Tabgha Pilgerhaus. D

January 26 Tuesday: Cana / Nazareth

Start the day with a visit to Cana, where Jesus performed His first miracle at the request of His mother. There visit the Franciscan chapel where those who wish to participate may renew their wedding vows. Drive to Nazareth, the site of Mary's home and the town where Jesus lived as a child. At Nazareth, see the fascinating excavations there and admire all the depictions of Mary. Celebrate Mass in the Basilica of the Annunciation, and visit the Byzantine Church of St. Joseph. This afternoon we visit Sepphoris, the regional center at the time of Jesus and birthplace of Mary, mother of Jesus. We return to the beautiful location from Mount of Beatitudes Hotel in the Galilee to the Pilgerhaus.
Overnight at Tabgha Pilgerhaus. B, L, D

January 27 Wednesday: Tiberias / Sea of Galilee

The day starts at the Mount of Beatitudes, scene of Jesus' great Sermon on the Mount. Then to Tabgha where Jesus fed the crowd of 5,000 and onto the site known as "Peter's Primacy." Here, after His resurrection, Jesus met with His disciples and told Peter to "feed my lambs; feed my sheep". A short drive away is Capernaum, from where Jesus launched his Ministry; see the synagogue which dates to the time of Jesus and the church built over the site of Peter's home, where we will celebrate Mass in this special place. This afternoon we will enjoy a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. Time for reflection. We return from Mount of Beatitudes Hotel in the Galilee to the Pilgerhaus.
Overnight at Tabgha Pilgerhaus. B, L, D



Boat Ride on Sea of Galilee, Tiberias

January 28 Thursday: Caesarea Philippi / Magdala

This morning we drive up the Golan Heights to visit Caesarea Philippi, location of the testimony of St. Peter and where Jesus said "You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church." Returning to Sea of Galilee we visit Magdala, birthplace of Mary Magdalene. We see the excavations of the 1st century village and celebrate Mass at Magdala, beside the Sea of Galilee. We return from Mount of Beatitudes Hotel in the Galilee to the Pilgerhaus.
Overnight at Tabgha Pilgerhaus. B, L, D

January 29 Friday: Mount Tabor / Stella Maris / Caesarea / Bethlehem

Today, after breakfast, visit Mount Tabor, the site of the Transfiguration, with time to reflect on Christ's Humanity and Divinity and have Mass. Drive through the Jezreel Valley to Mount Carmel to visit Elijah's cave and Stella Maris, the cradle of the Carmelite Order and the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. After lunch visit Caesarea, once capital of the Roman province. There we will see the Roman and Crusader ruins and the harbor from which St. Paul was taken prisoner to Rome. We drive up the Judean hills to Bethlehem, our home for the next 6 nights. **Overnight at St. Gabriel. B, L, D**

January 30 Saturday: St. Anne / Ein Karem / Visitation / Shepherd's Field

Start the day with a visit to St. Anne, a Crusader church built over a grotto they believed was the childhood home of the Blessed Virgin and near the Pools of Bethesda where Jesus healed the crippled man. Continue on to Ein Karem, the birthplace of St. John the Baptist, and to the Church of Visitation, where the Blessed Virgin Mary visited her cousin, Elizabeth, and proclaimed the Magnificat. Time for Mass. End the day with a visit to the orphanage and/or Holy Family Hospital.
Overnight at St. Gabriel. B, L, D



Mount of Beatitudes

January 31 Sunday: Old City Temple Area / Dead Sea / Bethany

Visit the Old City of Jerusalem to see the Western Wall Temple Area. At the steps of the Southern Wall of the Temple Mount ponder the Presentation of Jesus, the finding of Jesus, and the healing of the blind man, all occurring here at the Temple. Drive down the Jordan Valley to Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. Drive to Jericho, the oldest continuously

inhabited city in the world, where we view the Mount of Temptation, where Jesus spent 40 days fasting, and the Sycamore Tree. End the day with a visit to Bethany where Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead. Celebrate Mass here and have time for reflection. **Overnight at St. Gabriel. B, L, D**

February 1 Monday: Bethlehem

Visit the Shepherds' Fields, where the caves have soot marks of the fires that shepherd's lit to keep warm while watching over their flocks. Visit Bethlehem University for a chance to see the campus of this Catholic center of hope, which is supported by the Order. Lunch will be prepared by the student of the catering school and a couple of students will join each table. You will gain a unique insight into daily life in present day Bethlehem and hear from young students. Then to Manger Square which stands in front of one of the oldest of Christian churches, the Church of the Nativity. Enter the Church and down to the Grotto of the Nativity which marks the spot of Jesus' birth. Beneath the Altar, there is a silver star with the Latin inscription: HIC DE VIRGINE MARIA JESUS CHRISTUS NATUS (Here Jesus Christ was born to the Virgin Mary.) Have Mass at the Church of the Nativity. Time for reflection.

Overnight at St Gabriel. B, L, D



Bethlehem Shepherds' Fields

February 2 Tuesday: Jerusalem: Our Lady of Palestine

Visit the shrine of Our Lady of Palestine and have Mass to honor the patron of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre. Visit the Jerusalem Museum for the history of the holy city. Time for reflection. **Overnight at St. Gabriel. B, L, D**

February 3 Wednesday: Jerusalem: Mount Zion / The Upper Room

Take the route through the Kidron Valley along which Jesus was taken as a prisoner to the house of the High Priest Caiaphas where He was interrogated and imprisoned. Now called Peter in Gallicantu ("crowing rooster"), this beautiful Church also commemorates Peter's Denial of Christ, his repentance and then being forgiven by Jesus. Visit Mount Zion and the Upper Room, commemorating the Last Supper with Mass at the Cenacle. Nearby is the Benedictine Church of the Dormition. Time for reflection.

Overnight at St. Gabriel. B, L, D

February 4 Thursday: Jerusalem: Mount of Olives / Gethsemane

From the Mount of Olives take in the panoramic view of Jerusalem. Visit the Pater Noster shrine, where Jesus taught His disciples the Lord's Prayer (Luke 11:1-4). Walking down the Palm Sunday Road stop at the beautiful little church, Dominus Flevit, where Jesus wept over Jerusalem [Luke 19:41]. At Gethsemane reflect on Jesus' final night. The Garden contains trees, the roots of which go back to the time of Jesus. Have Mass at the Church of All Nations to pray at the "Rock of Agony," a section of bedrock identified as the place where Jesus prayed alone in the garden on the night of His arrest. Return to the hotel for reflection.

Overnight at St. Gabriel. B, L, D

February 5 Friday: Jerusalem: Via Dolorosa / Church of the Holy Sepulchre

This morning we start the Via Dolorosa (The Way of the Cross) at the Antonia Fortress, where Jesus was condemned to death by Pontius Pilate. From there He was taken through the city to be crucified. The Stations of the Cross lead through the markets of the Old City to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Here is the site of Calvary and the Tomb of Christ. Mass will be in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Later, visit the Latin Patriarchate for an audience with the Patriarch or Auxiliary Bishop and participate in the Pilgrim Shell Ceremony.

Overnight at St. Gabriel. B, L, D



View of Jerusalem

February 6 Saturday: Departure

Transfer to airport for the flight home.



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

The Tour Price Includes:

Air Transportation: Airfare is based on special contract agreements with various international airlines and include certain restrictions and deadlines. These fares are subject to cancellation penalties, and once tickets are issued, they are **NON-REFUNDABLE, NON-TRANSFERABLE AND CANNOT BE USED TOWARDS FUTURE TRAVEL.** Please refer to our CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY below. Airfare and tour prices are based on prices effective as of **JANUARY 1, 2026** and are subject to change without notice.

Surface/Land Transportation: All surface/land transportation described in the itinerary will be provided by modern motor coach, designed for highway travel. Groups will be met and transferred upon arrival and departure.

Hotels: We only use first-class hotels. Hotel accommodations are based on double occupancy (2 per room). We reserve the right to substitute hotels of similar quality for those specified in the itinerary.

Single Room Supplements: If you would like a single room, there is an additional cost of **$800.00** that will be added to the tour price. Single rooms are limited and will be reserved on a first come first serve basis. If you request a roommate and none is available, you will be considered a "forced single," and charged one half (½) of the Single Room Supplement cost.

Meal Plan: Meal plans include three (3) meals per day, breakfast, lunch, and dinner, with timing depending on the itinerary. Taxes and service charges normally appearing on restaurant bills are included in the tour price for these meals. **A list of any and all dietary requests or food allergies must be emailed to cathy@inspirationaltoursinc.com for hotel / airline accommodation at least seven (7) days before departure.** We cannot guarantee any dietary accommodations but will make all efforts to secure special dietary requests. In the event airlines or hotels are unable to accommodate dietary requests, you will be responsible for your meals; it is the individual's responsibility to choose appropriate foods while on the tour. Unused meals will NOT be reimbursed.

Baggage: Inspirational Tours, Inc. restricts all passengers to one (1) piece of checked luggage (max. 50 lbs.) and one (1) carry-on (max. 18 lbs.). **All passengers should check with the airline for up-to-date baggage weight/dimension information and restrictions, which are subject to change at any time before departure.**

Airport Taxes and Fuel Surcharges: are included in the tour price and are subject to change.

Tips On The Tour: Tips to guides, porters, headwaiters, and drivers are included in the tour price, unless otherwise specified.

The Tour Price Does Not Include: Expenses related to issuance/renewal of passports, laundry, or food not included in the meal plan above; additional baggage; expenses of carriages, guides, sightseeing or other services other than those specifically mentioned as included in the itinerary; insurance for baggage or personal trip or health insurance; all items of a personal nature, in addition to those not listed above as being included in the tour price.

Booking Conditions: Deposits and Payment: ***A non-refundable deposit of $300.00 per person***, payable via cash, check or money order, is required at the time of registration. No registration will be processed without a deposit. Invoices for final balances are issued at or near 90 days before departure. Full and final payment is due 60 days before departure. Registrations received within 90 days of departure require payment in full. If there is any outstanding balance by the Final Payment due date listed on your invoice, all travel services will be subject to automatic cancellation and cancellation fees will apply. A service reinstatement fee may be added to your invoice and must be paid in advance in order to apply for reconfirmation of services. **WE ONLY ACCEPT CASH, CHECKS OR MONEY ORDERS FOR THE REGISTRATION FEE.** Payment by credit card is accepted ONLY for final balances or payments towards final balances; all credit card payments will be assessed a ***3% non-refundable*** convenience fee, which will be added to the total amount being charged.

Cancellations and Refund Policy: All cancellations **MUST BE RECEIVED IN WRITING VIA FAX, E-MAIL OR U.S. MAIL.** The date of the cancellation request is the date used for purposes of any assessed cancellation fees. **Please note that the deposit is NON-REFUNDABLE as stated on the Registration Form.** Cancellation fees (as to any monies paid over the deposit for a tour with a non-refundable deposit) depend on the timing of the cancellation request, and are as follows: request received between time of registration and up to 90 days prior to departure—automatic $100.00 cancellation fee; request received within 89 to 60 days prior to departure—automatic $300.00 cancellation fee; request received within 59 to 30 days prior to departure—cancellation fee of **50%** of tour cost; request received 29 days or less prior to departure through date of departure—assessed **100%** of the tour cost (air and land, and any deviation fees) as the cancellation fee. Additional charges/fees for deviations and/or upgraded seats may require full payment at time of booking/confirmation and may be non-refundable; **if a non-refundable air ticket has been issued prior to receiving notice of a cancellation request, you will be 100% responsible for those fees, in addition to the cancellation penalties listed above.** Package cancellation fees include airfare. Once airfare is purchased, either at time of booking, including but not limited to, deviations or seat upgrade requests, or at time of full payment, airline tickets will be issued and are always subject to a 100% penalty. Once full payment is received, Inspirational Tours, Inc. will issue airline tickets, which are non-refundable. If the tour is canceled for any reason, including but not limited to, tour leader's decision, decision of Inspirational Tours, Inc., weather or natural disasters, strike, acts of war, terrorism, acts of god, quarantine, disease, virus, epidemic, pandemic, compliance with government orders, travel restrictions issued by the U.S. Department of State, or any other force majeure event, Inspirational Tours, Inc. reserves the right to charge a minimum $100.00 administrative fee per person, plus any non-reimbursable expenses incurred from airlines and/or overseas operators. **ALL RESERVATIONS ARE NON-TRANSFERABLE AT ANY TIME FOR ANY REASON.**

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Passports: It is your responsibility to provide us with a copy of your current passport with your Registration Form. Validity date on passports must be for at least six (6) months after the date of return of the tour as per the tour dates, or any deviation request. If we do not receive a copy of your current passport, the information you provide on your Registration Form will be used for ticketing purposes. If ANY information provided (name, date of birth, etc.) does not match what is on your passport, you may be subject to penalties or fees for corrections to airline tickets, and/or may be denied boarding by the airline. Any name change, including minor spelling corrections, may require reservations to be canceled and re-booked. Reservations will then be subject to availability and pricing at the time of re-booking; any increase in airfare will be borne by the passenger. Inspirational Tours, Inc. will not be held responsible for the denial of services by a carrier due to any name or passport discrepancies. If you have a passport issued from any country other than the U.S., it is your responsibility to contact the embassies of the countries to be visited to determine if a visa will be required, and if so, it will be your responsibility to obtain such visa before departure. Please contact us for further information if this applies to you.

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