

# Fr. Duane Wachowiak & Fr. Ken Stachnik

## HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

### JOIN FATHER DUANE AND FATHER KEN ON A TEN DAY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

MARCH 11 TO MARCH 20, 2024 PRICE IS \$4,689.00 PER PERSON  
ALL INCLUSIVE FROM DETROIT, MI  
BASED ON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

#### Your Tour includes:

- Round trip air transportation from Detroit to Israel and return
- 8 night's hotel accommodations
- Hotel taxes and service charges
- Deluxe motor coach transportation in Israel
- Knowledgeable and experienced coach drivers
- Three meals per day while touring  
Drinks with breakfast only
- All sightseeing per the itinerary
- Bilingual Christian guide throughout
- Educational Christian Tours tour manager
- All entrance fees where required
- Based on tariffs in effect as of January 2024
- All gratuities for hotels and meals
- Tips to guides and drivers

Not included: Luggage handling in airports



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### **Monday, March 11, 2024**

Board your flight from Detroit, arriving in Israel the next day. Meals are served on the plane.

### **Tuesday, March 12, 2024**

Upon arrival at Ben Gurion Airport, you will board your deluxe MOTORCOACH and proceed to your HOTEL for check in. DINNER will be at the hotel.

### **Wednesday, March 13, 2024**

Celebrate early morning MASS at the church of the Holy Sepulcher and then BREAKFAST. Drive to the top of the Mount of Olives for a panoramic view of the city. There, visit Bethphage from which Jesus sent his disciples to find a donkey or colt upon which he would ride into Jerusalem. Next, visit the traditional site of the Pater Noster where Jesus taught the apostles how to pray. We will walk down the Palm Sunday road to the Church of Dominus Flevit where Jesus wept over the city of Jerusalem. Our guide will then explain Temple Mount and the Jewish cemetery. Continue to walk down to the Church of All Nations in the Garden of Gethsemane and the Rock of Agony. After LUNCH, continue to the Church of St. Peter En Gallencanto, (commemorating Peter's denial of the Savior before the cock crowed three times) then continue to Mt. Zion to visit the Upper Room and then visit the Church of Dormition (where Mary fell asleep). DINNER will be at the hotel.

### **Thursday, March 14, 2024**

After BREAKFAST, we will take a walking tour of the Jewish Quarter, visiting the Western Wall. We will proceed to the church of St. Anne which marks the birthplace of the Blessed Mother and the pools of Bethesda where Jesus healed the crippled man. Walk the Via Dolorosa (the way of the Cross) ending at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, stopping at the Church of the Flagellation to celebrate MASS. After LUNCH, there will be time on your own. DINNER will be at the hotel. Tonight, a visit to the Mall for ice cream, cappuccino or shopping for those interested.

### **Friday, March 15, 2024**

Celebrate early morning MASS at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and then BREAKFAST. Leave behind the Old City to visit the Jordan River where John baptized Jesus. Continue to Qumran in the desert where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found in 1942 by a shepherd boy tending his flock. Proceed to Masada, an ancient mountain fortress high above the dead sea. Take a cable car to the top and see the well-preserved ruins of the site of the Jews last stand against the Romans after the fall of Jerusalem in 70 ce. LUNCH and then visit the Dead Sea and an opportunity to wade in the water. Return to Jerusalem for DINNER at the hotel.

### **Saturday, March 16, 2024**

This morning after BREAKFAST, we visit the little town of Bethlehem. See the Cave enclosed now in the Church of the Nativity where archaeologists believe Jesus was born. After LUNCH we will go to the shepherd's field and celebrate MASS. Before we leave Bethlehem, you will have time for olive wood shopping. Then we will go to Ein Karem where Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth, and both shared in the joy of their pregnancies. Visit the Church of the Visitation and the Church of John the Baptist. Tonight, we will celebrate a FAREWELL to JERUSALEM DINNER.

### **Sunday, March 17, 2024**

Check out this morning and depart for Galilee after BREAKFAST. En route, we visit the restored crusader city of Caesarea to see the amphitheater and the aqueduct. Stop in Haifa and visit Mt. Carmel and enjoy LUNCH in Haifa. Continue to Galilee and visit Magdala, the home of Mary of Magdala, the woman who Jesus cured of 7 devils and the site of a first century synagogue which Jesus probably visited. We will celebrate MASS here. Check in to your hotel for DINNER and overnight.

### **Monday, March 18, 2024**

BREAKFAST this morning, and then visit Cana, the sight of the first miracle where Jesus turned water into wine at the wedding feast. Enjoy an opportunity to renew our wedding vows and visit Cana wine store. Depart for Mt. Tabor, the traditional Mountain of Transfiguration. Ascend to the top by taxi to the church on the crown of the mountain. You can view the valley below, and in awe praise God for His creation. Continue to Nazareth, the boyhood home of Jesus. After LUNCH, visit the Church of Annunciation to celebrate MASS. After Mass, proceed to the Church over St. Joseph's Workshop. It was here in Nazareth that Mary lived when the Angel Gabriel came to her to make the "announcement". Take some time for some souvenir shopping before going back to the hotel for DINNER.

### **Tuesday, March 19, 2024**

This morning after BREAKFAST, visit the traditional Church of the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes. Proceed to the small chapel of the Primacy of Peter. Continue to Capernaum and the ruins of an ancient synagogue and the house of St. Peter's mother in law. Continue to the Mt. of Beatitudes and celebrate MASS where you will hear the Beatitudes, from Jesus' sermon on the mountain as recorded in Matt. 5, v 1-11. Afterwards, enjoy LUNCH of St. Peter's fish and a scenic view of the sea where Jesus walked on the water and Peter tried and sank when he lost his faith because he turned his focus away from Jesus. Take a ride on the Sea of Galilee in a boat of the style that dates to Jesus' time. Return to the hotel for DINNER and prepare for departure to the airport.

### **Wednesday, March 20, 2024**

Early BREAKFAST, then depart for the airport, arriving home today. As you sit and look out over God's creation from an aerial view, you can ponder all the sights that you have seen and all the places that you walked – places where Jesus' feet touched long before you came to visit and experience. These memories will be a blessing to your life for the rest of your days.

