

Serra Club, CA Presents: Trip By Ave Maria Pilgrimage to Holy Land

For a Spiritual Renewal

led by **Fr. Donald Craig**

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**Los Angeles, San Diego or San Francisco \$3580 per person/double occupancy;
New York, Chicago or Houston: \$3,480 per person/double occupancy**

Single Room Occupancy: \$480 extra

** Please call for other departure cities

We look forward to welcoming you to our group, along with offering the very best value

For best air options and hotel accommodations please book early

Your Trip Includes:

- Round trip airfare from your departure city to **Tel Aviv**
- 9 days in Holy Land
- Tiberias–Blue Bay Hotel or similar
- Bethlehem - Holy Family Hotel or similar
- Daily Mass
- English speaking tour guide
- All ground transportation by private motor coach
- Breakfast buffet and Dinner buffet daily
- Sightseeing Tours
- Renewal of Marriage vows for couples in Cana
- All taxes and Entry Fees



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NOT INCLUDED: Daily Lunch: Beverages with dinner and Tips (\$9 per day/per pilgrim) for Drivers, Guides, Servers and Housekeeping staff.

To make reservations: Please complete the form below and with your check payable to Ave Maria Pilgrimage send to: Ave Maria Pilgrimage, 71405 Country Club Dr., Rancho Mirage, CA 92270 For more information please visit our website at www.AveMariaPilgrimage.com or call 760-459-3505 or email us at mycalling2000@gmail.com

PILGRIMAGE TO: _____ DATE: _____
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ENCLOSED _____ DEPOSIT \$400.00 OR FULL AMOUNT \$ _____

SECOND PAYMENT OF \$1600.00 IS DUE 90 DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE DATE
FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE 8 WEEKS BEFORE DEPARTURE DATE

NAME YOU WOULD LIKE ON YOUR NAME BADGE: _____

You will receive your travel documents approximately three weeks before departure

Cancellation fees are: 90 to 61 days before departure date.....\$1200.00
60 to 31 days before departure date..... \$1800.00
30 days to 1 day before departure or no show.....no refund



Place of Jesus' Birth in Bethlehem

YOUR DAILY ITINERARY

Day 1: Depart U.S.A. for **Tel Aviv**. Meals will served onboard your transatlantic flight.

Day 2: Arrive at **Ben Gurion Airport (Tel Aviv)**. Your Tour Director will welcome you and assist with transferring you to the hotel in **Tiberias** for a two night stay.

Day 3: After breakfast we will drive to **Cana** where **Jesus** performed his first public miracle, transforming water into wine at the wedding in Cana (John 2:1-11). We will celebrate Mass, and couples can renew their marriage vows in the Franciscan chapel. We will then go to the town of **Nazareth**, and visit the home of **Mary and Joseph**, and where **Jesus** grew up. Here we will also visit the **Basilica of the Annunciation** where the **Archangel Gabriel** appeared to the **Virgin Mary**. Afterwards, we will continue to the **Jordan River** where **Jesus** was baptized by **St. John the Baptist**, and there we will renew our own baptismal vows. Our final stop of the day is **Mount Tabor** where the **Transfiguration** took place before his Apostles **Peter, James and John**. From here we return to our hotel.

Day 4: After breakfast we travel along the shore of the Mediterranean to **Caesarea**, the provincial capital of the once Roman rulers over **Judea**. From there we will proceed to **Haifa** on **Mt. Carmel** and visit the **Stella Maris Carmelite Monastery** where we will celebrate Mass, and view the magnificent **Bahail Gardens and Shrine**. Continuing on to **Muhraka**, the Carmelite Church on the site where **Elijah** confronted the false prophets of Baal. From here we will continue driving through the plains of **Megiddo**, and on to **Bethlehem** for dinner and a six night stay.

Day 5: In the morning we will visit **Mt. Beatitudes**, where the **Sermon on the Mount** was delivered by **Jesus**. We will then continue to **Tabgha** (Heptapegon) - the site where **Jesus** performed the miracle of multiplying the loaves and fish. Here he fed over 5000 people from five loaves of bread and two fish. Twelve baskets remained of bread and fish after everyone ate to full satisfaction. Enjoy the beautiful Byzantine Mosaic floor dating back to the 5th Century A.D. Following, we will proceed to **St. Peter's Church of Primacy**, where **Jesus** called his first two disciples, **Simon and Andrew**, to be fishers of men and the site of the third Apparition after His resurrection. From here we travel to the **Sea of Galilee** for a boat ride and recall where **Jesus** calmed the sea and walked on the water. After stopping for lunch, we will board our motor coach for a drive along the shores of the **Sea of Galilee to Capernaum** - the city known as the second city of **Jesus**. In **Capernaum**, **Jesus** spent most of His public life. Also in Capernaum, we will visit the remains of a 4th century Synagogue and **St. Peter's Church** which was built over his house. We'll return to our hotel.

Days 6, 7 & 8: Our days begin with visiting the holy shrines: **Mt. of Olives**, the **Chapel of Ascension**, **Pater Noster**, (the place where **Jesus** taught the disciples to pray the Our Father), the **Garden of Gethsemane**, and the **Church of All Nations**. We enter the **Old City** through the **Lion's Gate**, and visit the remains of the **Praetorium Site** and the **Ecce Homo**. Then walk the **Via Dolorosa** to the **Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher**. Visit **Calvary** and the **Empty tomb of Christ**. We continue onward to visit the **Western Wall** and the archeological excavations nearby. Followed by **Mt. Zion** for a visit to the **Room of the Last Supper**. We will drive to **Ein Karem** and visit the birthplace of **St. John the Baptist** and the **Church of the Visitation**. While in Bethlehem, we will visit the **Church of the Nativity**, the **Sacred Manger**, and the **St. Joseph and St. Jerome Grottos**. Then on to **Hebron** to visit the tombs of **Abraham and Sarah**. We will also go to the **Shepherd's fields** where the Angel appeared and proclaimed the birth of our **Savior**.

Day 9: This morning after breakfast we will visit the shores of the **Dead Sea** with a brief stop for an optional bath. Continuing on to **Jericho** and view the Sycamore tree where **Zacchaeus** was perched to see **Jesus** (Luke 19:1-0). We will also view the **Mt. of Temptation** where **Jesus** was tempted during his 40 days in the desert. We will end today's tour with a celebration of Mass in Sacred Heart Church.

Day 10: After breakfast we will depart for **Abu Gosh** to visit the **Church of the Resurrection**. We will then continue via **Emmaus** and the **Valley of Ayalon** to **Tel Aviv** for an early dinner then onto the airport for our overnight flight home. SHALOM. Have a blessed trip home!

****Optional 8 nights in Italy from Oct 10-18:** 3 nights in Rome, 3 nights in Assisi, 2 nights in San Giovanni Rotondo, \$2,750.00 per person. Includes: all 4 star hotels, breakfast and dinner daily, air and ground transportation from Tel Aviv. **Not included:** daily lunch, \$9 per day for drivers and hotel staff.

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