



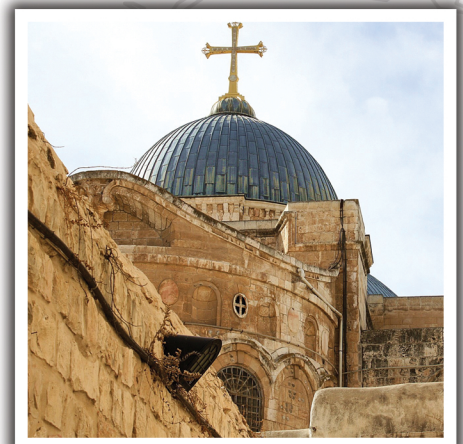
A PILGRIMAGE TO THE Holy Land & Rome

Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Tiberias, Nazareth, Jericho, Dead Sea, Jordan River, Rome, Assisi

Under the Spiritual Direction of Fr. Bob Cilinski & Fr. Stephen Vaccaro

13 Days: November 9 - 21, 2020

\$3995 Discount Price ~ Roundtrip from Washington (IAD)



Travel Arrangements by: Terra Sancta Travel Center



Dear Friends,

It is a joy to invite you to join us on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Rome. Since our youth we have been hearing the gospel stories about Jesus walking and teaching in Jerusalem, Capernaum, and Galilee. He worked miracles around the Sea of Tiberius, Jericho and Cana. He was born in Bethlehem, grew up in Nazareth and was crucified at Golgotha. We will be seeing those places and much more. Our visit will give us an opportunity of walking in the footsteps of Jesus, our Blessed Mother and the first disciples.

While in Rome, this pilgrimage will take us to sacred sites of our Catholic faith, including the Sistine Chapel and the Basilicas of Christian Rome. We will also take in the historic venues of ancient Rome. We will celebrate Liturgies, as well as, have the opportunity to attend the Holy Father's general audience.

Each day we will celebrate Mass and reflect on the gospel text appropriate to the place we visit. This will be a pilgrimage of a lifetime and it will forever change the way you read and understand the Scriptures. We hope you will be able to join us on what promises to be a grace-filled journey to the land from which has come our salvation.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Fr. Cilinski & Fr. Vaccaro

Day by Day Itinerary

NOVEMBER 9 DAY 1: DEPARTURE: Depart for your overnight flights to Tel Aviv. Dinner on-board, relax, and anticipate your arrival tomorrow morning.

We continue to the Basilica of Annunciation where we will celebrate Mass. Next, we enjoy a visit to Joseph's carpentry shop. Continue to our hotel in Nazareth.

NOVEMBER 10 DAY 2: ARRIVAL IN THE HOLY LAND: Upon arrival into Tel Aviv, we will be greeted by our Terra Sancta Travel Center representative and tour guide who will be accompanying us during the pilgrimage. We will immediately transfer to our hotel in Bethlehem.

Overnight: Nazareth (B, D)

Overnight: Bethlehem (D)*

NOVEMBER 11 DAY 3: BETHLEHEM: EIN KAREM, CHURCH OF THE VISITATION, SHEPHERD'S FIELDS, CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY: On our first day in the Holy Land we present an overview for a better understanding of its geography and some of the key sites surrounding the area and what makes it such a unique area to the three major religions - Judaism, Christianity and Islam. We then head to the village of 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'. In the afternoon we drive to the Shepherd's Fields where the angels announced the birth of Jesus. Then we visit the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem that stands upon the site where Jesus was born.

NOVEMBER 13 DAY 5: THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST IN THE GALILEE: TIBERIAS, BOAT RIDE ON SEA OF GALILEE, CAPERNAUM, MT. BEATITUDES, MAGDALA CENTER, CAESAREA PHILIPPI: Some of today's highlights are a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum to see the synagogue and St Peter's house, a visit to the Mount of the Beatitudes where the Sermon on the Mount was given, to Tabgha to see the splendid mosaic about the miracle of the loaves and fishes, and to the nearby Church of Peter's Primacy where Peter was told "Feed my lambs, feed my sheep." There will be an unforgettable Mass near the shores of the Sea of Galilee at the Primacy or Mt Beatitudes. Next, we head the Magdala Center, the village of Mary Magdalene, where we visit the newly built church on site and the newly excavated ruins. In the afternoon we visit Caesarea Philippi, the location of the testimony of St. Peter and where Jesus answered him "You are the Rock and upon this rock I will build my Church."

Overnight: Nazareth (B, D)

Overnight: Bethlehem (B, D)

NOVEMBER 12 DAY 4: GALILEE: CAESAREA, HAIFA, STELLA MARIS, BAHAI GARDENS: After breakfast, we head to Caesarea by the Sea to visit the Roman Crusader remains before we continue to Haifa. Upon arrival in Haifa, we will visit Stella Maris, a Carmelite Monastery with the Madonna of Mt Carmel. Next, we stop at the Baha'i Gardens, which includes a staircase of nineteen terraces extending all the way up the northern slope of Mount Carmel.

NOVEMBER 14 DAY 6: GALILEE: CANA, MOUNT TABOR, DEAD SEA, JERICHO, JORDAN RIVER: After breakfast, we drive to Cana, where couples will have the opportunity to renew wedding vows. We continue to Mount Tabor, the site of the Transfiguration. We then head to Jericho, the oldest city in the world and view Mt. Temptation where Jesus fasted and was tempted by Satan. On the way back there is time for a swim (or rather a float!) in the mineral-rich waters of the Dead Sea, renowned for its healing properties.

We then visit the Jordan River and the authentic baptismal site of our Lord. Continue to Bethlehem for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Bethlehem (B, D)

NOVEMBER 15 DAY 7: JERUSALEM, THE PASSION OF JESUS' LAST HOURS: MT OLIVES, PALM SUNDAY, DOMINUS FLEVIT, GETHSEMANE, CAVE OF ASSUMPTION, LAST SUPPER, DAVIDS TOMB, PATER NOSTER, PALACE OF CAIAPHAS: We begin our day with a visit to the Mount of Olives where Jesus prayed, continue to the Chapel of Ascension where Jesus ascended into heaven. Next, we visit the church of Pater Noster where Jesus taught the disciples the Lord's Prayer. Next, we walk the Palm Sunday road, stopping at Dominus Flevit, where Jesus wept over Jerusalem. Then to Gethsemane, the Rock of Agony where Jesus prayed His last prayer before his arrest. Next, we head to Mount Zion, visiting the cave of Assumption (Dormition Abbey) of Mary to heaven. We visit the room of the Last Supper, King David's Tomb, and the Church of St. Peter Gallicantu, where Peter denied Jesus three times. We end our day visiting the Palace of Caiaphas, home of the corrupt Jewish high priest. We enjoy dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Overnight: Bethlehem (B, D)

NOVEMBER 16 DAY 8: THE WAY OF THE CROSS: VIA DOLOROSA, ST ANNE'S CHURCH, ECCE HOMO, CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHER, NOTRE DAME CENTER: After breakfast we head to Jerusalem and start our visit with St Anne Church (the traditional birthplace of the Virgin Mary). Continue to view the Sisters of Zion, Ecco Homo where Pilate proclaimed "Behold the man." Next, we retrace the last steps of Jesus as we walk along the Via Dolorosa (Way of Sorrow), through the markets of the Old City praying the Stations of the Cross at each station shrine, we reflect on the greatness of His sacrifice. Finally, we arrive at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher for Mass. We visit the Notre Dame Center in Vatican property, where we visit the Museum of the Shroud of the Man (three-dimension replica of the Shroud of Jesus). Time and schedule permitting, we will have special time for Adoration in the Garden of Gethsemane. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Overnight: Bethlehem (B, D)

NOVEMBER 17 DAY 9: TEL AVIV / ROME: Today we board our flight to Rome. Upon arrival in Rome we are met by our Terra Sancta Travel Center Representative and continue to our hotel for check in. We end our night with a walking tour of Rome, featuring a stroll to the Trevi Fountain, the Pantheon, a Christian church since the 7th century, and Piazza Navona.

Overnight: Rome (B, D)

NOVEMBER 18 DAY 10: ROME, PAPAL AUDIENCE*: After an early breakfast we depart for Vatican City, the spiritual capital for all Catholics around the world.

Vatican City is its own city-state nestled within Rome, and it even has its own currency and postage! Today is truly a day which will live in our hearts for many years to come. We make our way to St. Peter's Basilica where we will attend the Papal Audience given by His Holiness Pope Francis (pending papal schedule). Following the audience, we will visit the Vatican Museums, an astonishing series of galleries which contain the most impressive spiritual and art treasures. You will see awe-inspiring relics and works of art donated throughout centuries as tributes of faith. We will visit the Tapestry Gallery, the Raphael Rooms and the breathtaking Sistine Chapel where we will see Michelangelo's masterpiece the Last Judgment. We continue our exploration of the Vatican as we enter the largest church in Christendom - St. Peter's Basilica. Built on the site where St. Peter was martyred, St. Peter's is unsurpassed in beauty; a monument to the long history of the Catholic Church, to which pilgrims from around the world flock. You will have time to marvel at the Pieta and Bernini's amazing bronze canopy. We will also visit the tomb of Pope John Paul II located in the Vatican. After a day exploring the home of our Catholic faith, we gather together to dine and reminisce about our day with our fellow pilgrims. We return to our hotel to settle in for a restful sleep .

Overnight: Rome (B, D)

NOVEMBER 19 DAY 11: ROME / EXCURSION TO ASSISI: This morning we head to Assisi for a visit of the enchanting medieval town. Our excursion includes the Basilica of Santa Maria and the Basilicas of St. Francis and St. Clare. Afternoon at leisure for personal activities. Continue back to Rome for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Rome (B, D)

NOVEMBER 20 DAY 12: ROME: This morning we awake in the Eternal City, one of the centers of Western civilization! After a filling breakfast we depart on our sightseeing tour which will offer insight into the most significant Catholic sites in Rome. We will have an opportunity to see the Basilica of St. Mary Major, one of the oldest shrines dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, which contains a relic from the manger of the infant Jesus. We will see the Holy Stairs and visit the Basilica of St. John the Lateran, which was the residence of the popes prior to returning to Rome in 1377. We also explore St. Paul Outside the Walls, which houses the remains of St. Paul under its main altar. We will see the Appian Way, the oldest road from Roman times, as well as the famous Domino Quo Vadis Chapel, the ancient Baths of Caracalla Arch of Drusus and the Tomb of Celilia Metella. Our day ends with a special visit to one of the catacombs, such as St. Callixtus, where the early Christians hid themselves to escape persecution for their devout faith.

Overnight: Rome (B, D)

NOVEMBER 21 DAY 13: RETURN HOME: Today we board our return flights home, carrying with us memories and keepsakes that will last a lifetime.

Acceptance of these Terms and Conditions with a signature is required for participation in this pilgrimage

By making any payments (cash, credit card or otherwise) towards any tour constitutes your unconditional acceptance of all the terms and conditions stated in this brochure. Terra Sancta Travel Center shall be referred to as TSTC within this document.

DOCUMENTS: US citizens require a valid passport. Other nationalities please inquire with the appropriate embassies. Passports must be valid for six months after the date of departure.

REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT: Deposit of \$500 per person is required upon registration along with a signed copy of the registration form. Registrations are processed in the order received by TSTC. A second payment of \$1249 is required on or before 03/15/2020. Final payment is due 08/15/2020. Late payments are subject to \$50 late fee. TSTC reserves the right to cancel reservations that are not paid 30 days prior to departure and to apply applicable cancellation/penalties indicated below. No registrations can be made over the telephone.

INDIVIDUAL CANCELLATION FEES & REFUNDS: Upon cancellation of participation of tour by you, the registrant, for any reason, and only after TSTC receives your signed cancellation, TSTC will then refund your payment for services not received by you, minus applicable cancellation fees per person, according to the following schedule:

In addition to any fees/penalties assessed by airlines or hotels, the following charges apply:

- 1) Minimum cancellation fee is \$100 from time of registration up to 120 days prior to the tour's departure date.
- 2) From 119 to 60 days prior to departure day, the cancellation fee is \$200.
- 3) From 59 days to 8 days prior to departure day, cancellation fee is \$300 plus any non-refundable amounts paid to and/or penalties assessed by airlines, hotels, or other suppliers of travel services (up to the total cost of the tour).
- 4) From 7 days prior to departure day onward, no refund is possible.

PASSENGER TRAVEL PROTECTION PROGRAM (HIGHLY RECOMMENDED): Passenger Travel protection program is administered by Travel Guard. Terra Sancta Travel center is not responsible for damage, loss, or theft of luggage and/or personal belongings, or for personal injury, accident and/or illness. For protection, it is important that you have adequate insurance to cover these possibilities. To purchase travel insurance, please send a separate check in the amount of \$195 to the Terra Sancta Travel Center. Travel insurance is added to each invoice for traveler convenience, but is not a required purchase. Travel insurance takes effect from the time payment is received. All Protection Plan fees are non-refundable.

MEDICAL CONDITION: We endeavor to provide the highest level of service to all our travelers. Participants who require special assistance must be accompanied by a qualified helper who assumes total responsibility for the participants' well-being. TSTC is not responsible for any medical conditions that occur prior, during, or after travel.

LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSFERS: By private deluxe motor coach (air-conditioned).

ACCOMMODATIONS: Tour prices are per person, based on two persons sharing double or twin-bedded rooms with private bathroom with tub or shower. In the event that one does not sign up with a roommate and is not able to be paired with another traveler, there will be a single supplement charge added to the invoice. Single rooms subject to availability and an additional cost of \$750.

MEALS: Breakfast and dinner daily in accordance with itinerary. All beverages are extra. Dinner on the day of arrival day and breakfast on the last day will be included pending final flight schedules and availability.

TIPPING: The price of the tour does not include tips and gratuities. Tipping is recommended to the Tour Guide and Motor Coach Driver approximately \$6 and \$4 per person, respectively, per day to each; Hotel tips are approximately \$2 per day per person. Tips may be precollected before pilgrimage for traveler convenience, but it will be decided as a group closer to departure.

AIRLINE TICKETS AND ITINERARY LENGTH: Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class aboard carriers utilizing **non-refundable, non-amenable tickets** for groups flying together for the entire itinerary. Preliminary international flight schedules are available 60 days prior to departure and may change before they are finalized. Therefore, if you book the domestic flight on your own, you will be responsible for changing your domestic flights and incurring any change fees that would be generated by this adjustment. We are not responsible for changes and delays in airline schedules and do not reimburse passengers for expenses resulting from such occurrences. Travelers making their own flight arrangements should not purchase non-refundable, non-changeable tickets. We cannot guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. If flight schedules change, we reserve the right to lengthen or shorten the itinerary accordingly, and if changes or flight schedules necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged at normal hotel rates. Land Only packages do not include airport-hotel transfers.

SEAT ASSIGNMENT: THERE IS NO ADVANCE SEAT SELECTION FOR TOUR DEPARTURES. Note that "bulkhead" and "exit row" seats are assigned by the carrier at the airport. TSTC can not guarantee specific seats, which are at the discretion of the airline and are pending availability. Though not guaranteed, early check-in is recommended to secure seats with travel companion.

BAGGAGE: International flights to and from the USA allow the passenger to bring one (1) checked bag, which may have a maximum weight of 50 lbs., and maximum combined dimensions of 62 inches. Also, one (1) "carry-on" with maximum dimensions of 8"x12"x20" is permitted. Luggage on domestic flights will cost extra. Luggage is the passenger's responsibility and that of the airlines. For lost luggage, the passenger is responsible for notifying the airline directly. Check with your carrier regarding carry-on luggage rules and regulations.

PRICES: All prices are based on exchange rates and fares applicable at time of quotation and based on minimum number of paying passengers stated in the brochure, and are therefore subject to change if fares change (including fuel surcharges increase), if group does not reach minimum or if exchange rates fluctuate. Minimum number of paying passengers is 30.

NOT INCLUDED: Passport and Visas, meals not mentioned, beverages with meals, extra beyond standard menu, excess baggage, luggage on domestic flights, telephone calls, fuel surcharges increase.

LIABILITY DISCLAIMER: TSTC hereby expressly disclaims any liability for any personal injury, property damage, Loss of baggage, accident, delay or irregularity, any claim for special or consequential damages or any other loss which may be occasioned by the acts and/or omissions, whether negligent, intentional, wrongful or otherwise, of any air carrier, hotel/motel or other lodging operator, railroad operator, bus operator, public transportation, sea carrier, local sightseeing company, tour operator, tour leader or spiritual director, any employees thereof, or any other entity or individual not under the direct supervision and control of TSTC when engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangements of the tour, or otherwise in connection therewith. TSTC likewise expressly disclaims any responsibility for losses or expenses incurred, or inconvenience caused, due to delay or changes in schedules, defaults, over booking of hotels or airlines, sickness, weather, strikes, quarantines, acts of terrorism, constructions, war, force majeure or other such events which are beyond TSTC's control. TSTC likewise hereby expressly disclaims any liability for statements, actions or inactions of any intermediary agents such as group administrators, spiritual directors or tour leaders, travel agents or any other intermediary involved with the selling, promotion or operation of its tours. Group administrators, spiritual leaders and tour leaders likewise hereby expressly disclaim any liability for the acts and/or omissions of any of the above entities and/or individuals not directly under their supervision or control. Please be advised that the liability of carriers as well as providers of hotel and lodging accommodations is limited by law and you may thus wish to consider purchasing additional insurance to protect yourself against any losses or injuries suffered as a result of their acts and/or omissions. In all instances, TSTC's liability shall be limited to the amounts paid by you for participation in the tour, and subject to the provisions and cancellation fees as set forth in the 'Brochure Terms and Conditions'. In the event that the tour leader and/or spiritual director named in a brochure or itinerary does not travel with the group, and a substitute is not named to replace such person(s), then TSTC reserves the right to make substitutions of its choosing for such person(s) in the operation of the tour.

Note: While no changes are anticipated, there may be unforeseen occasions when certain alterations become necessary, either due to changes to the airline schedule or any other reason. All Masses are subject to local church schedules and substitution with alternate Mass sites if churches mentioned are not available. Terra Sancta Travel Center reserves the right to change the itinerary due to such unforeseen circumstances or emergencies.

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