

Advent Pilgrimage to the
**HOLY LAND &
 JORDAN**

November 30-December 12, 2010

Cost per person in twin from Jacksonville:
\$3,095**

**Add \$100 air taxes to above rate, subject to change

Led by: Fr. Ed Murphy
 Immaculate Conception Church, Jacksonville, FL
Hosted by:
 Becky Jarboe & Sr. Joan Gabbin, SFCC



The Ancient Rose City of Petra in Jordan



Holy Sepulchre Basilica, Jerusalem

Cost Includes: Round trip air from Jacksonville; 10 nights accommodations as described on itinerary sharing twin bedded rooms with private bath; full breakfast & dinner daily; comprehensive daily sightseeing with English speaking guides; entrance fees to sites visited; daily liturgy schedule planned; hotel taxes & services; portorage of one bag per person; border crossing fees; Jordanian visa for U.S. citizens; air fuel charges.

Single Room Supplement: \$650

NOT INCLUDED: Items not specified above, e.g. lunches; optional sightseeing; optional cancellation insurance (\$195 covers cancellation penalties in event of sudden medical emergencies), group gratuities (\$95 per person will be collected prior to departure); items of a personal nature, passport fees; visa fees for non U.S. citizens; air taxes (\$100 in July 2010, subject to change) to be added to final invoice.

ANY QUESTIONS? Call: 904-338-3686 (Becky Jarboe) Email: rmj10@clearwire.net
Or 904-280-7321 (Sister Joan) Email: srjoan@clearwire.net

BOOKING FORM

GRP # 2010-75 Pilgrimage to the Holy Land & Jordan from Jacksonville FL: November 30-December 12, 2010
 Enclosed is my (our) deposit of \$ _____ (\$450 + \$195 optional insurance per person) for ___ # of persons) due **Sunday, August 22, 2010**
 Final payment is due Monday, September 20, 2010.

Check payable to: GTA TOURS

Mail to:
 Sr. Joan Grace Gabbin
 PO Box 931
 Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32004

Name: (Mr./Mrs./Ms) _____
 Please PRINT official, legal first & last name as on passport, no nicknames!

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

___ Twin Room ___ Single Room @ \$650 Supplement ___ Triple Room

Sharing room with _____

TEL: Home _____ Work _____

E Mail: _____

**Valid U.S. Passport is required on this trip,
 must be valid until May 30, 2011 or beyond.**

HOLY LAND & JORDAN PILGRIMAGE ITINERARY: NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 12, 2010

NOV 30/TUE - DEPART JACKSONVILLE.

DEC 1/WED - ARRIVE TEL AVIV. Meet English-speaking, Christian guide and transfer to **Dan Boutique Hotel**, overlooking the Old City in the heart of Jerusalem. (D) www.danhotels.com

DEC 2/THU—JERUSALEM (BETHLEHEM). In the morning visit to Bethlehem. See Nativity Basilica, St. Catherine Church and Shepherds' Field. In the afternoon, take an excursion to Ein Karem, birthplace of St. John the Baptist and site of the Visitation. (B, D)

DEC 3/FRI - JERUSALEM. Drive to Bethphage, site of Jesus Palm Sunday ride into the city. Stop at Mount of Olives for an outstanding view of the city and surrounding area. Visit the Place of the Ascension, the Church of Pater Noster, Dominus Flevit. Visit the tomb of the Virgin (the Church of the Assumption), Garden Of Gethsemane, the Church of All Nations. In the afternoon, visit Mount Zion: the Church of St. Peter Gallicantu, King's David's Tomb, and the Cenacle (Place of the Last Supper) and Dormition Abbey. (B,D)

DEC 4/SAT –JERUSALEM. Visit the Western Wall and Temple Mount. Visit the Church of St. Anne and the Pool of Bethesda and the Sisters of Zion to see the excavations of the pavement "Lithostrotos". Make the Way of the Cross, along the Via Dolorosa to Calvary and the Tomb. Visit Holy Sepulchre Basilica, site of Calvary and the Tomb. In the afternoon travel to Emmaus, where the Risen Christ was recognized in the breaking of the Bread. (B,D)

DEC 5/SUN- JERUSALEM/TIBERIAS. Morning departure to the picturesque Mediterranean port city of Haifa to celebrate Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Travel along the Carmel Mountain range to the Mukraka, Old Testament site associated with Elijah and to the shores of the Sea of Galilee staying at the beach front property, **Golden Tulip Resort**. (B,D) www.goldentuliplubtiberias.com

DEC 6/MON-GALILEE. Sail across the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum, center of Jesus' ministry, with ruins of an ancient synagogue, Byzantine chapel and St. Peter's house. Stop at Tabgha, site of the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes In the afternoon ascend the Mount of Beatitudes and stop at River Jordan to commemorate Our Lord's Baptism. (B,D)

DEC 7/TUE—GALILEE (NAZARETH). Travel to Nazareth to visit Annunciation Basilica, where the Word of God became Flesh! Visit St Joseph Church, Mary's Well, synagogue and the town. Enjoy some free time to shop, then travel to Cana, site of Jesus' first miracle, where couples can renew wedding vows. (B,D)

DEC 8/WED – GALILEE/JERICHO. Ascend to the summit of Mount Tabor, where the Transfiguration of the Lord is commemorated. Continue into the Judean wilderness, following the path of St. John the Baptist and Jesus. Travel to the Dead Sea, stopping at Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, passing Masada, Herod's rock fortress, to a beach on the Dead Sea, where, weather permitting, you can enjoy a swim (float) in the mineral rich waters. Continue northward via the Mount of Temptations for an overnight in the beautiful oasis of Jericho. (B,D)

INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL

DEC 9/THU—JERICHO/PETRA. In the morning, cross the border into Jordan and travel to Madaba, the "City of Mosaics" to visit St. George Church to view a wonderfully vivid 6th century Byzantine mosaic map of the Holy Land. Next, ascend Mount Nebo, for Mass on the mountaintop memorial of Moses with captivating views of the Jordan Valley. Finally, arrive at the ancient rock fortress city of Petra, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the new seven wonders of the world. (B,D) (B,D)

DEC 10/FRI—PETRA. Mass at the hotel. Enjoy a full day in Petra: see the "Siq", a long winding fissure between two walls of overhanging cliffs, the "Khazneh" (Treasury) the Street of Facades, the Court House and the Amphitheater. A 10 minute horse ride through the streets is included. (B,D)

DEC 11/SAT-PETRA/JERASH/AMMAN/NIGHT FLIGHT. This morning, you are transported 2,000 years back in time when you visit Jerash, one of the largest and most well preserved Roman sites in the world outside of Italy. In the afternoon, arrive in Amman, Jordan's capital, for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant before transferring to the airport for night flight home. (B,D)

DEC 12/SUN-ARRIVE JACKSONVILLE MID-DAY.

B-Breakfast; L-Lunch; Snack, D-Dinner Itinerary Subject to Modification.

Daily Mass Celebrated at Selected Sites.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

AIR TRANSPORTATION: Regularly scheduled economy class service on any IATA or ARC carrier. Air transportation based on fares in effect July '10, subject to change.

TARIFF & EXCHANGE FLUCTUATIONS: Land prices herein are based on exchange rate in effect July '10 and is subject to increase in the event the U.S. dollar is worth substantially less than this at tour finalization. Tour cost is calculated for payment only by personal check or cashier check. Mastercard or Visa payment is accepted for a service fee of 3 1/2 percent of the amount charged.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Twin bedded rooms with private facilities throughout.

DOCUMENTS: Valid U.S. passport & Jordanian visa (processed by GTA Tours for U.S. citizens.)

CANCELLATIONS: Refunds will be handled promptly and will be made for cancellations received in writing up to 90 days prior to departure less a \$100 administration fee. After that period, additional cancellation fees must be assessed; 90-45 days prior; \$1200; 45-10 days prior; up to total cost.

BAGGAGE: One (1) checked suitcase and small carry on is allowed on the coach portions of this trip.

GROUP SIZE: Rates herein are based on a minimum of 26 passengers.

RESPONSIBILITY: The travel agent and the tour operator, GTA TOURS d/b/a/ GTA

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