

In the Footsteps of St. Paul  
& the Early Church to

# GREECE

**& Ephesus in Turkey**  
**September 16-26, 2007**

Cost per person in twin from Jacksonville:  
**\$2,895**

Plus \$280\*\* air & cruise taxes and fuel surcharges



Parthenon, Athens Acropolis

### Led by Fr. James Bodie

of the Diocese of St. Augustine

Hosted by

### Sr. Joan Grace Gabbin & Camille Marmo

Join us this fall on a pilgrimage in the footsteps of St. Paul and the early Church.

You will read the letters of St. Paul while journeying through Greece and Asia Minor!

**Athens—Corinth—Nauplia— Ephesus—  
Patmos—Meteora Monasteries**

**Featuring 3 Day Cruise  
Of Greek Isles & Turkey  
Aboard First Class Cruise Ship!**  
(Deluxe Outside Cabins/2 Lower Beds)



Sails from Piraeus to  
Mykonos, Rhodes, Kusadasi  
& Patmos!

### Cost Includes:

- Round trip air from Jacksonville;
- 9 Nights first class accommodations in twin bedded rooms with private bath (Athens-2; Nauplia-2; Cruise Ship-3 Kalambaka-1; Athens-1);
- Meals on land portion: Breakfast daily; 5 dinners;
- All Meals on cruise portion;
- Deluxe, private motor coaches per itinerary below;
- Two (2) shore excursions during cruise to Ephesus & Patmos;
- Services of English speaking escorts & local guides;
- Entrance fees to sites visited; hotel taxes & services;
- Porterage of one bag per person.

Single Room Supplement: \$790

Add \$190 per person optional Cancellation Insurance to above rate at time of deposit to cover cancel fees in event of medical emergency.

### To Join Call:

**904-280-7321** (Sister Joan) or  
**904-731-0363** (Camille)

Email: [mamamarmo@yahoo.com](mailto:mamamarmo@yahoo.com)

**NOT INCLUDED:** Items not specified above, e.g. some meals, passport fees, optional cancellation insurance (\$190), gratuities (\$60 per person will be collected prior to departure for land tour; budget additional \$30 per person for individual tips to cruise staff); items of a personal nature, shore excursions not included above; air & cruise taxes & fuel surcharges (\*\*\$280, as of 12/06, subject to change, taxes & surcharge will be added to final invoice and collected prior to departure.)

## BOOKING FORM

**Group 2727 Pilgrimage to Greece & Turkey, September 16-26, 2007**

Enclosed is my (our) check for \$\_\_\_\_ (\$350 deposit + \$190 optional insurance per person, due immediately to secure your space for \_\_\_\_ (number of persons). Final payment is due on receipt of final invoice on Monday, July 9, 2007.

Checks payable to **GTA TOURS**

### MAIL TO:

**Sr. Joan Grace Gabbin  
PO Box 931  
Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32004**

My Name is: (Rev./Mr./Mrs./Ms) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Enter first and last legal name as it appears on passport—no nicknames)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Room Occupancy	Sharing room with: _____
Twin    Single    Triple	_____

A copy of your valid U.S. passport is required at final payment time—apply for a passport today if you don't yet have one!

Tel: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Eve: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## GREECE – IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL & THE EARLY CHURCH: September 16-26, 2007

### SEP 16/SUN - DEPART JACKSONVILLE.

**SEP 17/MON - ARRIVE ATHENS.** Transfer to hotel in central Athens for dinner and overnight. **(D)**  
**HOTEL DIVANI PALACE ACROPOLIS**  
[www.divanis.gr](http://www.divanis.gr)

**SEP 18/TUE—ATHENS.** In the morning, transfer to the Roman Catholic Cathedral for welcome Mass. Enjoy walking tour of the delightful medieval section of Athens—the Plaka and visit two churches, gems of Byzantine architecture. The afternoon is free to explore the city at your own pace—or to visit one of the great museums. Dinner is on your own. **(B)**

**SEP 19/WED—ATHENS/CORINTH/NAUPLIA.** In the morning, tour the Acropolis, a true archeological and artistic wonder: see the enchanting Parthenon and visit the Areopagus, where St. Paul spoke to the men of Athens. Travel southward on the Peloponnesian Peninsula to the nearby Corinth Canal. In the afternoon, tour of the ruins of ancient Corinth, where Paul lived and worked for a few years, establishing one of the first Christian churches. Celebrate outdoor Mass at the ruins, then continue to the stunningly beautiful port city of Nauplia. **(B,D)** **HOTEL AMALIA**

**SEP 20/THU—NAUPLIA.** Full day to explore the Peloponnesian wonders. In the morning travel to the fantastically preserved amphitheater at Epidauras. In the afternoon, explore the center of Nauplia: shop, relax or visit a museum. You are in one of the best Greek towns! **(B,D)**

**SEP 21/FRI-PIRAEUS/CRUISE/MYKONOS**  
Morning transfer to the pier to board deluxe cruise ship on **LOUIS CRUISES** three day Aegean cruise of Greek Isles and Turkey. Accommodations in deluxe outside cabins with two lower beds and private shower. Ship has sun deck, pool, full-service restaurant, lounge and casino. Once at sea, all meals and entertainment are included. Optional off-shore excursions at ports-of-call can be purchased for additional cost onboard. Today stop on the island of Mykonos, with its dazzling shops and sandy beaches. **(B,L,D)**  
[www.louiscruises.com](http://www.louiscruises.com)

**SEP 22/SAT - RHODES.** A full day on the magnificent island of Rhodes, the fortified Crusader stronghold. This is the best port to explore on your own. Disembark ship in the old town. Stroll along the yacht harbor lined with elegant cafes, enter the city by one of the Jerusalem-like gates to shop and tour at your own pace. This is an experience to savor and enjoy. **(B,L,D)**

**SEP 23/SUN - KUSADASI, TURKEY (EPHESUS) & PATMOS.** Two exciting stops for Marian devotion and students of St. Paul and St. John. Kusadasi, a colorful harbor in Turkey, is starting point for an included excursion to the House of the Virgin Mary, visited by Pope Benedict XVI in his historic November 2006 trip to Turkey, and the ancient Greek city of Ephesus, mentioned so often in Paul's epistles. It is a spectacularly preserved ruin of a once great and important city founded in the 10th century B.C. In the afternoon, ship docks at Patmos, where tour is included to the 11th century Monastery of St. John the Divine, where it is believed the Book of Revelation was written. **(B,L,D)**

**SEP 24/MON-ATHENS/DELPHI/KALAMBAKA.** In the morning arrive at the ruins of mysterious Delphi, a religious center of the ancient world. See the Apollo Pythios Sanctuary and Museum. Continue to Kalambaka, a Greek town located at the famous Meteora mountain monasteries. **(B,D)** **HOTEL DIVANI KALAMBAKA**  
[www.divanis.gr](http://www.divanis.gr)

**SEP 25/TUE-KALAMBAKA/ATHENS.** In the morning, visit Meteora, to see the world famous, Byzantine monasteries, dating from medieval times and still in use today. The site contains priceless historic and religious art treasures and are perched atop rock formations of varied and beautiful shapes. In the afternoon, travel back to Athens. **(B,D)** **HOTEL DIVANI ACROPOLIS**

**SEP 26/WED - RETURN TO U.S. (B)**

B-Breakfast; L-Lunch; D-Dinner;  
Sequence of Sightseeing Subject to Change;  
Daily Catholic Mass will be celebrated.

## GENERAL CONDITIONS

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Regularly scheduled economy class service on any IATA or ARC carrier. Air transportation based on fares in effect Dec 06, subject to change.

**TARIFF & EXCHANGE FLUCTUATIONS:** All tour prices herein are quoted in U.S. dollars and are based on tariffs and exchange levels in effect Dec 06. Rates are subject to adjustment in the event of any changes in these tariffs and exchange levels. 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.

**CANCELLATIONS:** Refunds will be handled promptly and will be made for cancellations received in writing up to 60 days prior to departure less a \$125 administration fee. After that period, additional cancellation fees must be assessed; 60-45 days prior; \$800; 45-10 days prior: up to total cost.

**BAGGAGE:** Limited to two checked bags (either bag must not exceed 62 inches) with total dimensions not to exceed 107 inches.

**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 TOURS, POB 1008, Madison, CT 06443, Tel: 203-245-8980, or their agents act(s) only as

agent(s) in all matters connected with the making and securing of reservations for transportation, accommodations, tours and/or other arrangements and assumes no responsibility for liability in connection with the service of any train, vessel carriage, aircraft or other conveyance which is used, either wholly or in part, in the performance of its duty to the passengers; neither this travel agency nor any of its representatives shall be, or become liable for any act, error or omission, or for any injury, loss accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned by reason of any defect in any vehicle or through neglect or default of any company or person engaged in carrying out the purpose for which ticket or coupons have been issued. In the event that it becomes necessary or advisable, for any reason whatsoever, to alter the itinerary or arrangements, such alterations may be made. Additional expenses if any, shall be borne by the passengers; conversely, refund will be made to the passengers if any saving is effected thereby. Also, in the event that sufficient persons are not secured for a particular tour, we reserve the right to cancel said tour, and a refund of monies paid will release the company of any further obligation. All arrangements for accommodations, transportation and sightseeing are made by the tour operator and/or their agents. The passage contract in use by companies, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the companies and the purchase of these tours and/or passage by the airlines concerned and other transportation companies whose services are featured in these tours are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their conveyance.