

A Land & Sea Pilgrimage in the Eastern  
**MEDITERRANEAN**

**May 31-June 12, 2011**

13 Days/11 nights

Featuring 7 Night NCL Cruise from Venice, Italy  
 to Dubrovnik, Athens, Ephesus & Split!  
 Plus 3 Night Pre and 1 Night Post CruiseTours



**Led by Fr. Steven Zehler**

of Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL

**Hosted by Sr. Joan Grace Gabbin  
 & Camille Marmo**

**To Join Call:**

**904-280-7321** (Sister Joan) or

**904-993-4128** (Camille)

**Email: mamamarmo@yahoo.com**

Cost from Jacksonville per person  
 sharing 2 bedded inside stateroom on cruise:

**\$3,295**

Plus \$210 air & cruise taxes 10/10-subject to change

**Cost Includes:**

- Round trip air from Jacksonville;
- 3 Nights pre-cruise first class accommodations in twin bedded rooms with private bath, June 1-4 (Milan & Padua);
- 7 night Norwegian Cruise Line deluxe cruise in twin inside stateroom (without window)-upgrade at extra cost-see below;
- 1 Night post-cruise first class accommodations in twin bedded rooms with private bath, Jun 11-12 (Venice);
- Meals on land portion: Breakfast & Dinner daily; June 1-4 & June 11-12;
- All Meals and entertainment on cruise portion June 4-11;
- Sightseeing on June 1-4, June 11-12 as described in itinerary on page 2;
- Excursion to Ephesus in Turkey June 8th;
- Airport/hotel/port transfers;
- Fuel surcharges effective Oct 2010, subject to change;
- Entrance fees to sites visited; hotel taxes & services.



Our Lady  
of Rosa Mystica

Land & Sea  
Pilgrimage Visits:

**Milan**

**Rosa Mystica Shrine**

**Padua**

**Dubrovnik**

**Athens**

**Ephesus**

**Split**

**Venice**



Gondola on Venice Canal

**NOT INCLUDED:** Items not specified above, e.g. 4 lunches, passport fees, visa fees for non U.S citizens if applicable, optional cancellation insurance (\$195), gratuities (\$50 per person will be collected prior to departure for land tour; budget additional \$80 per person for individual tips to cruise staff); items of a personal nature, shore excursions not included above; air & cruise taxes (\*\*\$210, as of 9/10, subject to change, air & port taxes will be added to final invoice and collected prior to departure.) Add \$195 per person optional Cancellation Insurance to above rate at time of deposit to cover cancel fees in event of medical emergency. Single Room Supplement on Request.

**BOOKING FORM**

Group #2011-21 Mediterranean Land & Sea Pilgrimage—May 31-June 12, 2011 (Includes 7 day NCL Cruise aboard Jade).

Enclosed is \$\_\_\_\_\_ \$450 deposit + \$195 optional cancellation insurance per person x #\_\_ of persons due immediately to secure cruise stateroom.

Final payment is due Monday, February 28, 2011.

**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  
Twin Single Triple

Sharing room with: \_\_\_\_\_

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

U.S. passport valid until  
 Oct 31, 2011 or beyond is required.

Tel: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

I (we) request to confirm Stateroom in Category (check one):  IB Inside @\$3,295 per person;  OA Ocean View: add \$240 per person upgrade;

B3 Balcony: add \$680 per person upgrade.

## LAND & SEA MEDITERRANEAN PILGRIMAGE FROM ITALY: May 31—June 12, 2011

### MAY 31/TUES - DEPART JACKSONVILLE.

**JUN 1/WED - ARRIVE MILAN.** See Milan, the bustling cosmopolitan Northern Italian city, famous as the home of Church Fathers Ambrose and Augustine, great architecture, and paintings of great masters like Caravaggio. Travel to the main square of Milan, the Piazza du Duomo, and visit the Duomo, Milan's magnificent marble Cathedral. One of the largest churches in the world, the Duomo is adorned with 135 spires, 3,400 statues, and beautiful stained glass windows. Transfer to hotel for dinner and overnight. (D)

**JUN 2/THURS—ROSA MYSTICA AT MONTICHIARI FONTANELLE/PADUA** Visit the fascinating pilgrimage destination of the little town of Montichiari, not far from the picturesque Lake Garda, surrounded by mountains, where apparitions of the Madonna "Mystical Rose" have been seen by many devoted followers since 1947. Enjoy some free time to pray, then continue to the nearby medieval city of St. Anthony- Padua.(B, D)

**JUN 3/FRI—PADUA/VERONA** The city of Padua is one of northern Italy's prettiest towns with its arcaded streets and grand piazzas. It is also home to some of the best-preserved Giotto frescoes, Basilica of Saint Anthony, and Europe's first Botanical Garden. Visit the Basilica and enjoy some free time in the main square of Padua. Transfer to Verona by private coach. Verona is probably best known as the home of Shakespeare's tragic lovers, Romeo and Juliet. Visit the streets of Verona lined with pink-hued medieval buildings and explore its Roman history with escort. Return to Padua. (B,D)

**JUN 4/SAT—PADUA/VENICE PIER/CRUISE** Continue to colorful and romantic Venice, the city of canals and gondolas. Transfer to the pier to board the deluxe cruise ship, *The Jade*, on **NORWEGIAN CRUISE LINES** for a 7 day Mediterranean cruise. Accommodations in inside 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.(B,L,D) [www.ncl.com](http://www.ncl.com)

**JUN 5/SUN-DUBROVNIK.** Dubrovnik is referred to as 'the Pearl of the Adriatic'. Disembark and enjoy a full afternoon and evening to explore the history and culture of the ancient walled city of Dubrovnik. On your own you can visit the Dominican Monastery with Europe's oldest pharmacy, Dubrovnik's Cathedral with its famous Treasury, or stroll the narrow streets of the Old Town and take in the picturesque, seaside scenery of the Adriatic Coast. (B,L,D)

**JUN 6/MON-AT SEA.** Enjoy breathtaking views of the Adriatic Sea and the many amenities of the cruise ship. (B,L,D)

**JUN 7/TUES - ATHENS.** Disembark. Explore on your own or purchase optional excursion to visit one of the oldest cities in the world and admire the wonderful culture that made Athens a center for the arts, learning and philosophy. Explore the famous sites atop the Acropolis including the architectural triumph of the Parthenon. (B,L,D)

**JUN 8/WED-EPHESUS.** Included excursion take you from the port city of Kusadasi, Turkey to 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. Continue to the Virgin Mary's house nearby. (B,L,D)

**JUN 9/THURS-AT SEA.** (B,L,D)

**JUN 10/FRI-SPLIT.** Explore on your own or take optional excursion of the largest Dalmatian city located on the shores of the Adriatic. Sites include the spectacular Diocletian's Palace, the Peristyle, Jupiter's Temple, and the beautiful Cathedral. (B,L,D)

**JUN 11/SAT-RETURN TO VENICE** Back to port, enjoy a full day excursion to Venice. Transfer by coach to board a vaporetto (public transportation boat) to St. Mark's Square. A guided morning walking tour includes beautiful St Mark Basilica and Doges Palace. Afternoon is free to shop and explore the beautiful, historic city. Return to hotel for festive farewell dinner including wine at the hotel. (B,D)

**JUN 12/SUN-TRANSFER TO VENICE AIRPORT TO RETURN TO JACKSONVILLE.** (B)

B-Breakfast; L-Lunch; D-Dinner; Sequence of Sightseeing Subject to Change.

### GENERAL CONDITIONS

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Regularly scheduled economy class service on any IATA or ARC carrier. Air transportation based on fares in effect Oct. 2010, 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 Oct '10. 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 120 days prior to departure less a \$125 administration fee. After that period, additional cancellation fees must be assessed; 119-45 days prior; \$800 plus airfare if tickets were issued; 45-10 days prior: up to total cost.

**BAGGAGE:** One (1) standard size checked suitcase and carry-on that will fit under aircraft seat.

**GROUP SIZE:** Rates herein are based on a minimum of 33 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.

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