

Tour 71030

# Fr. Richard McAlear, OMI

invites you to join him on a 9-day pilgrimage to Mexico

# 2017

Oct. 30-Nov. 7



# GUADALUPE

MEXICO CITY

### Price per person:

- \$1,999 From Houston if deposit is paid by 7-22-17 (Base price of \$2,099 after 7-22-17)
  - \$ 139\* ESTIMATED airline taxes & fuel surcharges subject to increase/decrease at ticketing (30 days prior)
  - \$ 117 Tips
  - \$2,255 ESTIMATED Total
- Travel protection additional.

Flights from other gateways serviced by United Airlines may be available. To get the best available price, we highly recommend that you register early.

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS / TOUR CONTRACT

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**TOUR PRICE:** Based on tariffs and currency exchange rates in effect on 2/16/2017 and subject to change without notice should there be a revision in rates prior to departure of tour. The tour price is based on a minimum of 36 passengers. Should there be fewer, there could be a surcharge.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** In first class hotels or better, based on double or triple occupancy with private facilities. Single-room supplement is \$59 per night and based on availability. Requests for a roommate are assigned on a first-come, first served basis and are not guaranteed. The single-room supplement will be assessed if a roommate is not available when the group is finalized.

**MEALS:** Eight full hot breakfasts, six lunches, and three dinners throughout the basic tour (continental breakfasts in hotels only where full breakfasts are not available). Extra charge for beverage not included in the menu of the day.

**TIPS AND TAXES:** Those normally appearing on hotel and restaurant bills as "service" are included, as are all governmental and local taxes on hotels and meals. **Airport fees, departure taxes, and fuel surcharges are estimated on the original invoice and adjusted at ticket time.**

**SIGHTSEEING:** By modern motorcoach, including services of English-speaking guides and entrance fees to places included in the itinerary. Masses at churches indicated are subject to availability.

**NOT INCLUDED:** 1: Airport fees, departure taxes and fuel surcharges (est. - \$139); 2: tips to guides and drivers, meal servers and luggage handlers (\$117); and 3: optional travel insurance. **An amount to cover these items will be added to your original invoice.** Also not included: domestic baggage fees, passport and visa fees, laundry, wines, liquors, meals not included in the itinerary, sightseeing or services other than those specifically mentioned and items of a personal nature. Note: Due to limited storage space on motor coaches, Pentecost Tours entitles each passenger to one checked bag and one carry-on bag that meets airline "size/weight" allowances. Domestic baggage fees, overweight baggage charges, and fees for additional bags fall under the responsibility of the passenger. Be aware, while you may agree to pay fees for additional luggage, there may not be room on the motor coach.

**ASSISTANCE:** Pilgrims who require personal assistance must be accompanied by a paying passenger who will provide that assistance.

**DEPOSIT AND CANCELLATION:** A deposit of \$600 per person is required to secure reservations, which sum will be applied to the price of the tour, with the **balance to be paid in full no later than 7/30/2017.** Payment of remaining balance received after 7/30/2017 **[PENALTY PHASE ONE]** will incur a \$50 penalty. Reservations made within 92 days of departure may be subject to a late charge. In the event of cancellation, refund will be made up to 7/2/2017 with a \$100 administrative fee plus any airline cancellation penalties. From 7/2/2017 to 7/30/2017 **[PENALTY PHASE TWO]** the cancellation penalty is \$500 plus any airline cancellation penalties. If cancellation is received after 7/30/2017 **[PENALTY PHASE THREE]**, refund will be subject to a minimum 40% cancellation fee plus any airline cancellation penalties, or an amount equal to expenses to the tour operator, whichever is greater. There will be no refund for cancellations within 33 days of departure. Cancellation must be in writing and the effective date will be the date that Pentecost Tours, Inc. receives it. In the event 15 passengers do not book the tour within 120 days of departure, the agent reserves the right to cancel the tour. **NOTE:** Any change request/alterations to the group flight itinerary, requests for airline deviations and/or added domestic flights, automatically accelerates to a minimum PHASE TWO penalty level or the current level whichever is greater. Once the change request/alteration is made, those arrangements are final and can NOT be changed back to the group arrangement. Upon cancellation of the transportation

or travel services, where you, the customer, are not at fault and have not cancelled in violation of the terms and conditions of this contract for transportation or travel services, all sums paid to Pentecost Tours, Inc. for services not received by you will be promptly refunded by Pentecost Tours, Inc. to you unless you otherwise advise Pentecost Tours, Inc. in writing.

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Round trip Houston/Mexico City and Mexico City/Houston on economy class jet via United or any other IATA member. Based on 6-day minimum/21-day maximum advanced purchase fare, subject to participation of ten persons on entire flight itinerary. If cancellation is effected by passenger after 7/30/2017, or after air tickets are written, whichever comes first, 100% of airfare will be forfeited by passenger in addition to the penalties mentioned above. All airfares are subject to government approval and change without notice.

**TRAVEL PROTECTION:** Travel Protection is NOT included in the tour price. We highly suggest that all participants purchase a plan to help protect your trip and your investment. Plans offer benefits for trip cancellation/interruption, accident & sickness medical expense, emergency evacuation & repatriation, and more. You will be mailed a travel protection brochure along with a waiver form, in the event that you choose to decline coverage. The Plan Document will be provided, upon purchase. Read through this document carefully as it contains full plan and benefit details and exclusions & limitations. Please note that Medicare does not provide coverage outside of the United States. Check with your own insurance provider to determine whether or not you are covered outside of the U.S.

**RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY:** Land arrangements including surface transportation: Pentecost Tours, Inc., and the participating Tour Operators operate the land tours offered under this program only as agents of the railroads, car rental contractors, steamship lines, hotels, bus operators, sightseeing contractors and others that provide the actual land arrangements and are not liable for any act, omission, delay, injury, loss, damage or nonperformance occurring in connection with these land arrangements. United and other IATA carriers, steamship lines 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. The passage contract in use by these companies when issued shall constitute the sole contract between the companies and the purchaser of these tours and/or passage.

**MISCELLANEOUS FEES:** All changes must be in writing and may incur a per-person charge for each revision. Deposits received within 92 days of departure may incur a late registration fee.

**LAND ARRANGEMENTS:** The tour operator reserves the right to change the itinerary because of emergencies or extenuating circumstances beyond our control.

**ERRORS:** The Pentecost Tours staff does its best to provide you with accurate billing, brochures, etc. However, in the event of computer error, verbal or written human errors, we reserve the right to invoice, re-invoice, or forward corrected materials.

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**DAY 1: Monday, October 30, 2017, USA / MEXICO CITY / TLAXCALA**

This morning we depart the USA on our direct flight to Mexico City. Upon arrival we meet our fulltime, tour escort and board our motor coach for our interesting ride to Tlaxcala to check in at our hotel, Posada San Francisco, for a **welcome dinner** and overnight. [D]

**DAY 2: Tuesday 10/31, TLAXCALA / PUEBLA / TLAXCALA**

**Puebla**, one of the oldest colonial cities founded by the Spanish conquistadors and now a UNESCO World Heritage Site is our first stop today. This historic city is nestled in a river valley between the mountains and volcanoes. Our first stop is at the **Church of Santo Domingo** to see the baroque-style **Rosary Chapel**, covered in gold. We celebrate **Mass** there (subject to confirmation). Then, we visit the impressive colonial-style **Cathedral**. From there, we stop at the **Church of San Francisco** where we have the opportunity to venerate the incorrupt body of Beatified Sebastian de Aparicio. We will enjoy a **group luncheon at a local restaurant** before we return to the hotel for a **free afternoon**. This evening, explore on your own and sample authentic Mexican cuisine at the restaurant of your choice as **dinner is on your own**. Overnight in Tlaxcala. [B,L]

**DAY 3: Wednesday 11/1, TLAXCALA / OCOTLAN / TLAXCALA**



OCOTLAN

We proceed to **Ocotlán** to visit the **Shrine and Sanctuary of Our Lady of Ocotlán**, where an apparition of Our Lady occurred to Juan Diego Bernardino in 1541. We celebrate **Mass** here (subject to confirmation). We view the image of Our Lady which was left in a burned tree but now has a prominent spot above the church altar. Next, we visit the first Christian church in the Americas, the **Church of San Francisco**, which was established by famous explorer Hernan Cortes. Today, a **group lunch will be provided at a local restaurant**. The remainder of the day is free to explore independently.

This evening, experience a sampling of the traditions of Mexican cuisine at the restaurant of your choice as **dinner is on your own**. Overnight in Tlaxcala. [B,L]

**NOTE:** Today is known as the Day of the Dead, where local townspeople have midnight celebrations at cemeteries to make offerings at beautiful altars to honor their lost loved ones.

**DAY 4: Thursday 11/2, TLAXCALA**

**San Miguel del Milagro**, the site of St. Michael's miraculous apparitions to Diego Lázaro in 1631, is where we begin today. We take time to visit the **well of curative**

**waters** associated with the miracle there. We have a **group lunch at a local restaurant**. Then, we **explore the culture and local activities celebrating the Day of the Dead**. This evening you have the opportunity to join friends for the culinary treasure of Mexico at the restaurant of your choice as **dinner is on your own**. Overnight in Tlaxcala. [B,L]



SAN MIGUEL DEL MILAGRO

**DAY 5: Friday 11/3, TLAXCALA / MEXICO CITY**

This morning after breakfast, we depart Tlaxcala for **Mexico City**. We stop at the **Plaza of the Three Cultures (Tlatelolco)**, where we see the fascinating ancient ruins of the Aztec pyramid, the colonial era **Church of St. James**, and the modern skyscraper, all representing the mix of the Aztec, European and modern influences that have shaped this city. We celebrate **Mass** here (subject to confirmation) before proceeding to the **Benedictine Convent for a group lunch**. From there we **tour the beautiful Basilica and Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe and spend the remainder of the day there**. Next, we proceed to the Hotel Galeria Plaza to check in. This evening is free for you to experience your choice of the culinary treasures of Mexico as **dinner is on your own**. Overnight in Mexico City. [B,L]

**DAY 6: Saturday 11/4, MEXICO CITY / CUAUTTLAN / TULPETLAC / MEXICO CITY**

**Mass** this morning will be at **Tulpetlac** (subject to confirmation), a city with an interesting story that ties into the history of the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. After Mass, we delve into the city's history.

*Widower Juan Diego walked from his home in Tulpetlac through the hills of northern Mexico City headed to church. As he approached Tepeyac Hill, he heard what sounded like a heavenly chorus of singing angels. He looked toward the direction of the music, but the music faded and a female voice called to him. As he moved toward the voice, a girl with Aztec features like his own appeared. Dressed in a gown with turquoise accents and bright gold stars, she was standing on a crescent-shaped platform held off the ground by an angel. All around her were beautiful, shining, bright rays of light. She told Juan she was the Virgin Mary and wanted a church built where they stood. She instructed him to go to the Bishop of Mexico and say he was sent by Saint Mary because she wanted a church built on Tepeyac Hill. The Bishop was quite frank in his un-readiness to tackle such a grand undertaking. Juan proceeded home, de-*

*jected, but anxious to be with his feverishly sick uncle Juan Bernardino. But, he encountered Mary again and implored her to seek out someone else because he had failed and he had to care for his uncle. Mary explained to Juan that he was the chosen one, she would cure his uncle, but he needed to return to the Bishop, which he did. Surprised at Juan's expeditious return, the Bishop was more attentive but needed a miraculous confirmation of Mary's request. Willing to fulfill the request, Mary instructed Juan to "go to the top of the hill and cut flowers that are growing there". Despite the natural absence of flowers in that location and the December frost, Juan went anyway and found a grouping of beautiful roses. He cut them, scooped them into his poncho (tilma) and ran back to Mary. She carefully arranged each rose in Juan's poncho, tying the poncho corners behind Juan's neck so none would escape, and sent Juan back to the Bishop. Meanwhile, the Bishop had privately been praying for proof of the apparition to come in the form of Castilian roses-similar to those grown behind his family home in Spain, but, Juan did not know this. Juan told the Bishop of his latest encounter with Mary, untied his poncho, and the roses came tumbling out. In disbelief, the Bishop recognized that the roses were Castilian and all present noticed the image of Mary imprinted into Juan's poncho. The church on Tepeyac Hill was built. Note: Juan's tilma is now displayed in the new basilica, miraculously showing no decay. Commonly called the **Church of the Fifth Apparition**, a simple building constructed subsequently over the ruins of Juan Bernardino's home (formally called Santa Maria Tulpetlac) is one of the holiest churches in Mexico City.*

We **visit the church** and see the healing well, which is unknown to most visitors. **If possible, we have the opportunity to get water from the healing well which is now dispensed from a faucet in front and to the right of the church altar**. Those who visit Santa Maria Tulpetlac are granted a plenary indulgence if they meet the normal requirements of an indulgence. After Mass, we proceed to **Cuautitlan**, birthplace of St. Juan Diego. From there, we visit **Tepeztotlan** to see the **museum** and have a **group lunch**. After a group lunch at a local restaurant, we proceed to **Los Remedios**, in the northwest suburb of Mexico City. Our day concludes as we return to our hotel. **Dinner is on your own**. Overnight in Mexico City. [B,L]

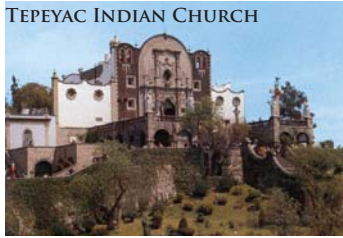


THE NEW BASILICA

**DAY 7: Sunday 11/5, MEXICO CITY**

We return to the **Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe** to absorb more of the culture of the Mexican people and their love and devotion for Our Lady. We explore the **grounds of the Shrine** of Our Lady of Guadalupe. We attend **Holy Mass at the Tepayac Hill Indian Church**

(subject to confirmation). We spend time in reflection as we look upon the original miraculous image of our Blessed Mother which she left on St. Juan Diego's tilma. We have the opportunity to visit the old Basilica, the Church of the Well, and the Monument of the Offerings. There are areas around the Shrine, including the Shrine's gift shop, where we have plenty of time to purchase special keepsakes from the area. The remainder of the day is free to explore independently. We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. [B,D]



TEPEYAC INDIAN CHURCH

(This evening you have the option of attending the exciting and colorful Ballet Folklórico at one of Mexico City's Theater Centers for an additional \$100-price is estimated).

**DAY 8: Monday 11/6 MEXICO CITY / XOCHIMILCO / MEXICO CITY**

After breakfast, we make a special visit to Holy Family Church and the shrine of the Mexican martyr Blessed Miguel Pro. We will visit the site of Fr Pro's assassination where we learn about the people who gave their lives for our faith in this area many years ago. From there, we visit the Cathedral at the Zocalo. This is one of the most beautiful and impressive squares in the Americas and is located in the center of Mexico City. We will make a brief visit to the National Palace, the seat of the Mexican Government and home to the enormous mural by world-renown artist Diego Riviera which depicts the origins of Mexico and its struggles for independence. This afternoon, we get an impression of the old Mexico City (Tenochtitlan) as we visit the last remaining canals at Xochimilco. Here the farms still produce flowers, fruits and vegetables for the city. We will take a leisurely trip in a festive gondola along the canal while enjoying a boxed lunch and may even hear some entertaining mariachi music! We return to the hotel for a farewell dinner and overnight. [B,L,D]



BLESSED MIGUEL PRO



XOCHIMILCO

**DAY 9: Tuesday, November 7, 2017, MEXICO CITY / USA**

This morning, we proceed to the airport for our direct flight back home. We leave beautiful, colorful Mexico inspired by the love her people have for Our Lady of Guadalupe and by the personal spiritual growth we have experienced as we explored the traditions and charm of the country. [B]

**To Register:**

**Complete the Registration Form and mail your deposit to Pentecost Tours**



**Or, call (800) 713-9800 or (812) 933-0730 to pay your deposit over the phone with a credit card.**

To register by phone, contact:

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**Notes:** ① Passports can take 3 months or more to process (from application to delivery). ② Ave. temps 43-72°F



**REGISTRATION FORM**

**Send to: Pentecost Tours, Inc.**  
**PO Box 280**  
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Enclosed is my/our \$ \_\_\_\_\_ deposit of \$600 per person. Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seat(s).

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  M  F

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- Single room only
- I will need a roommate
- My roommate will be \_\_\_\_\_

- I wish to attend the Ballet (\$100 additional charge)
- I am not interested in the Ballet.

Flight arrangement:

- I will fly from Houston
- I would be interested in a connecting flight from:

Gateways serviced by United may be available. To get the best available price, we highly recommend that you register early.

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