

Tour 40610

Msgr. Eric R. Barr, S.T.L.



invites you to join him on a 14-day pilgrimage to

# The Holy Land and Istanbul

June 10-23, 2024



**\$4,999 + \$579\***  
from Chicago  
early registration price  
per person  
if deposit is paid  
by 3-2-24

Base price \$5,099 + \$579\*  
after 3-2-24

\* Estimated Airline Taxes & Fuel Surcharges subject to increase/decrease at ticketing

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS / TOUR CONTRACT

**TOUR PRICE:** Based on tariffs and currency exchange rates in effect on 7/20/2023, 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 16 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 \$159 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:** Twelve full hot breakfasts and twelve 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. **Airport fees, departure taxes, and fuel surcharges are estimated on the original invoice and adjusted at the time of ticketing.**

**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. - \$579); ②: tips to guides, drivers and meal servers (est. \$187); and ③: optional travel protection. A travel protection flyer will be provided with more information. Also not included: airline baggage fees, luggage handlers, 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. 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 \$500 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 3/10/2024.** Payment of remaining balance received after 3/10/2024 will incur a \$50 penalty and/or a delay in your final travel documents. Reservations made within 92 days of departure may be subject to a late charge.

▶ **[PENALTY PHASE ONE]** In the event of cancellation, refund will be made up to 2/11/2024 with a \$100 administrative fee plus any airline cancellation penalties.

▶ **[PENALTY PHASE TWO]** From 2/11/2024 to 3/10/2024 the cancellation penalty is \$500 plus any airline cancellation penalties.

▶ **[PENALTY PHASE THREE]** If cancellation is received after 3/10/2024 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 65 days of departure.

**Credit card processing fees are non-refundable and always the responsibility of the passenger.** Cancellation must be in writing and the effective date will be the date that Pentecost Tours, Inc. receives it. In the event 15 passengers or do not book the tour within 120 days of departure, the agent reserves the right to cancel the tour. If the entire tour is cancelled by Pentecost Tours, Inc., you are entitled to a full refund.

**NOTE:** Any change request/alterations to the group flight itinerary, requests for airline deviations and/or added domestic flights, automatically advances into the next 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.

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Round trip Chicago/Tel Aviv and Istanbul/Chicago on economy class jet via Turkish 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 air/tour cancellation is effected by passenger after 3/10/2024, 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 suggest that all participants purchase a plan to help protect you and your trip investment. Plans can provide benefits such as Trip Cancellation, Trip Interruption, Emergency Medical and Emergency Evacuation/Repatriation, Trip Delay, Baggage Delay and more. You will be mailed a travel protection flyer along with an enrollment and waiver form. Full terms and details of a travel insurance plan, including limitations and exclusions can be found in the travel insurance plan policy or description for coverage. 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. Turkish 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.

**TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS:** In response to world health initiatives, many countries and airlines are implementing travel requirements that can include, but are not limited to: masks, testing, vaccines, specific documentations, etc. These requirements are the responsibility of each passenger. **Passengers must have a valid, working email.**

**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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Hours: Monday-Friday, 9 AM - 5 PM E.S.T.

We will have an **audience** (subject to confirmation) with the **Apostolic Administrator of the Latin Patriarchate, Cardinal Pierbattista Pizzabala**. **Knights and Dames of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre** are asked to vest for this meeting.

**Day 1: Monday, June 10, 2024, USA / TEL AVIV**  
Tour members are welcomed at an international airport for our departing flight to Tel Aviv via wide-body aircraft, arriving the next day. Meals served on board.

**Day 2: Tuesday 6/11, TEL AVIV / CAESAREA / MT CARMEL / TIBERIAS**

Upon arrival in Tel Aviv, proceed north along the Mediterranean to **Caesarea Maritime**. We view the **Roman aqueduct and port, Crusader's Moat and the ruins of the ancient amphitheater** next to the ocean. It was in Caesarea that Paul was imprisoned, tried, and sent from this Mediterranean harbor to Rome. From there, we proceed to **Haifa** and stop at the **Stella Maris, Our Lady of Mount Carmel** and the home of the prophet, Elijah. As we drive to the top of Tiberias we have a splendid view of the city and the Sea of Galilee. We continue into Tiberias to check in at our hotel for dinner and overnight. [D]



**Day 3: Wednesday 6/12, TIBERIAS**

**Mt. Tabor**, site of the Transfiguration is where we begin today. Then, we head to **Cana**, the place where Jesus performed his miracle. Couples may renew their wedding vows at the place where Jesus changed the water into wine at the wedding in Cana. From there, we continue a short distance to **Nazareth**, where Jesus played, grew up amongst the other children of the city, and later worked with Joseph in carpentry. It is here in the **Church of the Annunciation** just behind the altar where you can see the grotto that is the room where Mary said "yes" to the angel of the Lord. We visit **St. Joseph's carpentry shop, Mary's well, and the Church of St. Joseph in Nazareth**. We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. [B,D]

**Day 4: Thursday 6/13, TIBERIAS**

We venture north today to visit **Caesarea Philippi**, just north of the Sea of Galilee and at the base of Mt. Hermon. This was the location where Jesus declared Peter "Rock" and entrusted him with the keys to the kingdom of Heaven. During our visit, we will see **one of the three springs that feeds the Jordan River**. Next, we stop in **Capernaum**. This is the town where Peter lived and within which Jesus made his base of operations for His Galilean ministry. As we visit the ruins of the town you will find out why Jesus focused his ministry here, where ancient Judaism flourished. We will visit the **Synagogue**



where Jesus healed and taught, and also **Peter's house**. We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. [B,D]

**Day 5: Friday 6/14, TIBERIAS**

This morning, we visit the shore of the Sea of Galilee where we enjoy a fun, relaxing **boat ride**. Then, we visit **Tabgha**, location of the miracle of the loaves and fishes and the nearby **Church of St. Peter's Primacy**. We conclude our day as we enjoy some tranquil and contemplative time at the **Mount of Beatitudes**. Dinner and overnight in Tiberias. [B,D]

**Day 6: Saturday 6/15, TIBERIAS / JERUSALEM**

Today we travel south to **Bet Shean** (or the Scythopolis), which is a strategic junction between the Jezreel and Jordan River Valleys. It was here, in Bet Shean, where Jewish King Saul faced-off with the Philistines in a battle at nearby Mount Gilboa (1004 BC). The victorious Philistines hung the bodies of King Saul and his sons on the walls of Bet Shean. Later, brilliant military strategy enabled King David to free Bet Shean of the Philistines and send them back to their strongholds in and around the Gaza region. We see **ruins of Bet Shean's ancient theatre, Circus Maximus (chariot racing stadium) and Cardo Maximus (main street)**. From there, we head further south to **Qsar El Yahud**, the actual site where Jesus was baptized in the River Jordan. We renew our baptismal promises. Next, we visit **Jericho**, the world's oldest city. From the excavated tel atop the ruins of ancient Jericho, we view the lush green Jordan Valley, Elisha's spring and Qarantal, the Mount of Temptation. We continue on to Jerusalem to check in at our hotel for dinner and overnight. [B,D]



**Day 7: Sunday 6/16, JERUSALEM / MASADA / JERUSALEM**

This morning we drive to **Masada** and ascend by **cable car** to the magnificent ruins of the fortress where, from 70 to 73 AD, Jewish defenders made their last stand in the Judean revolt against Rome. We see the remains of storehouses, cisterns and a sixth-century Byzantine church. Then, we stop at the **excavations of Qumran**, the Essene community connected with John the Baptist which is the site of the caves where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. Our last stop today is at the **Dead Sea**, 1300 ft. below sea level (the lowest spot on earth) where we have the opportunity to "float" or lather up in the mud that is known for its mineral-rich properties. Our day concludes as we return to the hotel in Jerusalem for dinner and overnight. [B,D]

**Day 8: Monday 6/17, JERUSALEM**

Our motor coach will take us for a brief **view of the Model of the City** of Jerusalem at Jesus' time and (briefly) visit the **Shrine of the Book**, where we see the Dead Sea Scrolls on display. Then, we proceed to **Ein Karem**, birthplace of John the Baptist, and the Church of the Visitation, where Mary uttered the words of the Magnificat. After spending time there, we proceed to **Bethlehem** to visit the **Church of the Nativity, the Manger, the Crusader's Cloister and the Grotto of St. Jerome**. We then

visit the **cave in Shepherd's Field and view the Fields of Boaz**. We take time to **shop in Bethlehem** before we return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. [B,D]

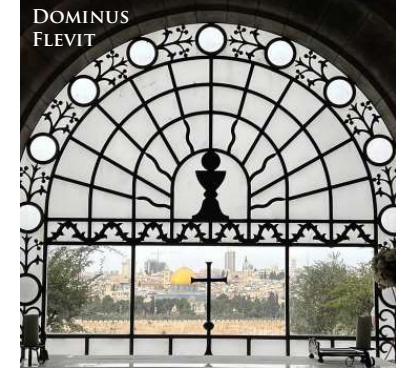
**Day 9: Tuesday 6/18, JERUSALEM**



Early this morning, we prayerfully follow the **Via Dolorosa** (Stations of the Cross) through the old city to the **Church of the Holy Sepulchre**, where we pray on top the Rock of Calvary and inside the Lord's tomb. After Mass, we return to our hotel for breakfast. Our next stop will be a visit **Pilate's Judgment Hall, the Chapel of Flagellation, Lithostrotos, and the Arch of Ecce Homo** ("Behold the Man") and the **Convent of the Sisters of Zion**.

We proceed from there to the New City of Jerusalem to **Mount Zion, the Upper Room, the tomb of King David and Dormition Abbey**. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem. [B,D]

**Day 10: Wednesday 6/19, JERUSALEM**



Our morning begins with a **panoramic view of Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives**. We walk down the hill to **Dominus Flevit Chapel** where Jesus wept over Jerusalem. Then, we visit the **Garden of Gethsemane**. Beside the garden is the **Church of**

**All Nations**, built over the location where Jesus endured his Agony, and the Grotto of the Apostles (known to us as the grotto of betrayal and the arrest of Jesus). Next, we visit the **tomb of the Virgin Mary** and ask that she wrap her protective mantle around us and thank her for her most precious gift - our Lord, Jesus Christ. Next, we visit the beautiful **Church of St. Peter of Gallicantu** (The Cock Crows), location where Jesus was held in the house of the High Priest Caiaphas. We enter the Old City through the Zion Gate and see the **Cardo** and the remains of Nehemiah's Wall on the way to the **Western (Wailing) Wall**. We view, in passing, the **Dome of the Rock** on the Temple Mount and then visit the **Southern Steps**. We visit the **Davidson Center** and visit the **Church of St. Anne and the Pool of Bethesda**. We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. [B,D]

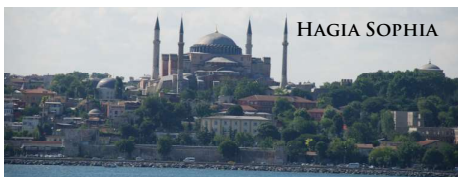


**Day 11: Thursday 6/20, JERUSALEM / TEL AVIV / ISTANBUL**

Today we depart Jerusalem and travel to the **airport** in Tel Aviv for our flight **to Istanbul, Turkey**. Upon our arrival, we visit to the historical **Ortakoy village** with many local cafes and the opportunity to stop for a cup of Turkish coffee. Dinner and overnight at the Hotel. **[B,D]**

**Day 12: Friday 6/21, ISTANBUL / NICAEA / ISTANBUL**

After breakfast, we take a day trip to the modern town of **Iznik, ancient Nicaea**, a little town set beside a picturesque lake, historically famous for hosting the First Ecumenical Council in 325 AD. We begin at the City Walls from Roman and Byzantine periods, then proceed to visit the **remains of the St. Sophia Mosque**, the site of the Second Council of Nicaea in 787 AD, and see the remains of the mosaic floor and frescoes. From there, we continue to **Camlica hill in Asian Istanbul**. From here, you can enjoy a panoramic view of the city with the beautiful scenery of the Bosphorus, the winding straight that separates Europe and Asia and connects the Black Sea with the inland Sea of Marmara. This evening we enjoy a **dinner cruise on the Bosphorus**. Overnight in Istanbul. **[B,D]**



**Day 13: Saturday 6/22, ISTANBUL**

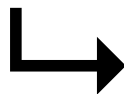
Today we tour of the **historical highlights of Istanbul**. First, we will stroll through **Hippodrome Square**, the former sporting and social center of Constantinople that hosted chariot races during the Roman period. Afterwards, we visit the domed masterpiece of the **Hagia Sophia** before we head to **Topkapi Palace**. Located on the very cape of the peninsula where Constantinople was founded, Topkapi Palace is the former abode of Ottoman Sultans that still houses their legion of treasures, including an extensive collection of royal jewels. Then, we will end our day with an **evening of shopping at the Grand Bazaar**, the massive covered market that houses a labyrinth of streets lined with shops selling jewelry, leather products and many other handcrafted souvenirs. This evening, we enjoy a **farewell dinner at Galata restaurant**. Overnight in Istanbul. **[B,D]**

**Day 14: Sunday, June 23, 2024, ISTANBUL / USA**

We depart Istanbul for the **airport**. Our journey in the footsteps of Jesus offers the mind and soul a treasure trove of new memories inspired by God's majestic landscape and a world we explore one pilgrimage at a time. **[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.**

**Group contact:**

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**Average high and low temperatures to expect: 63-99°F**



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Enclosed is my/our deposit of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$500 per person) to reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seat(s).

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Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Single room only
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