

St. John Paul II Pilgrimage
14 days Pilgrimage of a Lifetime to
Jordan & Holy Land with

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Jordan River · Mt. Tabor · Jerusalem · Gethsemane · Ein Karem · Bethlehem
Qumran · Jericho · Dead Sea · Mt. of Olives · Mt. Zion · Holy Sepulchre*

Depart Sydney: Sunday 26 April 2020 – Arrive Sydney: Saturday 09 May 2020

Day 01: Sunday 26 April 2020 Sydney

Depart Sydney at **21:10 EK413** Meals will be served on board

Day 02: Monday 27 April 2020, DUBAI / AMMAN

Depart Dubai at **07:30 EK901**, meals will be served on board.

Upon arrival at **09:35** Amman (AMM) after the immigration formalities, enjoy lunch and panoramic tour
Dinner and overnight. (L/D). Mass

Petra/Amman

Day 03: Tuesday 28 April 2020. AMMAN / PETRA / AMMAN

After morning breakfast, we will proceed to our visit to the ruins of the magnificent ancient trading City of Petra, popularly known as the “Red Rose City”, capital of the Nabatean people dating back to 300 B.C. We will follow a passage through the Siq, a half-mile log chasm created in a prehistoric earthquake. It is one of the special highlights to walk through the canyon which, lo and behold, dramatically conjures up the Treasury Building (Al Khazneh), a veritable wonder of the world, and sample the unforgettable “Indiana Jones” experience. After lunch, we will return to Amman and we will drop into one of the Catholic Churches in Amman for Mass before we return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B/L/D). Mass

DAY 04: WEDNESDAY 29 APRIL 2020. NEBO – MADABA - ALLENBY BRIDGE / JERICHO / NAZARETH

After breakfast, we will go for Mass in Mount Nebo and after lunch we will drive to Madaba to view the oldest map in existence of the Holy Land in St George’s Church. Then transfer to Allenby Bridge (border of Jordan and Israel) to cross to Israel (Holy Land). After lunch we head up north along the Jordan Valley passing Jericho to **Nazareth**. We check into our hotel for dinner. (B/L/D). Mass

Day 05: Thursday 30 April 2020. SEA OF GALILEE / CAPERNAUM / TABGHA / MT. OF BEATITUDES / MAGDALA / NAZARETH

After breakfast, depart for a boat ride over the Sea of Galilee. Our visit continues to Capernaum, Tabgha, Mount of Beatitudes and **MAGDALA ARCHAEOLOGICAL PARK**. Dinner and overnight at hotel. (B/L/D). Mass

Day 06: Friday 01 May 2020. CANA / NAZARETH/ MT. TABOR / NAZARETH

After breakfast we drive to the village of Cana, scene of the first miracle where Jesus turned water into wine at the marriage feast (John 2: 1-12). There we will have the opportunity to renew the wedding vows

for couples, Then we continue to the town of Nazareth (Matthew 2:23) where Jesus spent his childhood and youth and where he worked with Joseph the carpenter. Here in Nazareth is the home of the Holy Family - Jesus, Mary & Joseph (Luke 1:26). We see St Joseph's workshop, Mary's well. Visit the magnificent Basilica of the Annunciation. After a delicious oriental lunch in Nazareth we shall proceed to Mt Tabor to visit the Church built on the site of the Transfiguration. (Matthew 17:1-13) and of the meeting between Jesus, Elijah and Moses. The Church built on the summit is only accessible by taxi. From the top of the mountain you will be able to see the Jezreel Valley. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B/L/D). Mass

Day 07: Saturday 02 May 2020. NAZARETH / HAIFA / SAMARIA / SEBASTIYA / NABULUS / BETHLEHEM

After our breakfast, we visit the Carmelite Monastery of St. Elijah on Mt. Carmel –Stella Maris. We feast our eyes on a panoramic view of the city of Haifa - Israel's third largest city- Next, we will take a scenic drive along Mt Carmel and passing by Megiddo which was mentioned in Rev 16:16 "And they gathered them together to the place which in Hebrew is called Har-Magedon", Armageddon (AR-ma-GED-don), the mount of Megiddo, according to the New Testament book of Revelation, is once again to host one of the world's major armies in an immense conflict between East and West. The drive will take us to Jesus's ministry in Samaria and we will stop for lunch in Sebastiya and visit the Roman ruins excavations as well as the tomb of St John the Baptist! After lunch, we will head to Nabalus (Ancient city called Sychar also identified as Shechem) to visit Jacobs Well (Greek Orthodox Church) where Jesus met the Samaritan woman and asked her for water at the well, see John 4:4-7. Next, we will take a short drive and visit Joseph's tomb, see Joshua 24:32. From Nabulus, we drive to Jerusalem and Bethlehem which the Holy Family took whenever they go to Jerusalem from Nazareth. If time permits; we will stop for shopping in one of the famous souvenir shops specializing in olive wood carving, religious articles, etc. before we check into our Hotel for dinner and overnight. (B/L/D). Mass

Day 08: Sunday 03 May 2020. BETHLEHEM / MT. OF OLIVES / ASCENSION CHAPEL / PATER NOSTER CHURCH / DOMINUS FLEVIT CHURCH / CHURCH OF ALL NATIONS AND THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE / MILK GROTTA / SHEPHERD FIELDS / BETHLEHEM

After breakfast, we ascend the **Mount of Olives**, (Acts.1; 12) These privileged spots provide the pilgrim, viewing the Holy City for the first time, a clear idea of the terrain and a good knowledge of the hills on which the city is built. From here, the pilgrim can easily view most of the ancient city walls and several of the city gates. From the Mount of Olives, Jesus scanned the city, its ancient stately walls, its strong towers and its magnificent Temple. He wept over its impending doom and the judgment of its people (Mt. 24:1-3). In a grotto, on the slopes of this mount, Jesus taught his disciples the Lord's Prayer (Luke 11:1-4). In the courtyard of the Pater Noster Church, one can see beautiful, ceramic panels, displaying the full text of the Lord's Prayer The text in Acts 1:9-12, tells us how Jesus took his disciples to a mount called Olivet, and, after blessing them, he ascended into heaven. We climb to the top of the Mount of Olives where the Ascension took place. The present small chapel on the site, originally built by the Crusaders, is now being used by the Moslems. Inside one can see a rock with the legendary footprint of Christ imprinted when he ascended into heaven. From there we proceed to the Church of Dominus Flevit (the Lord wept) with its tear-shaped dome. Situated halfway down the slopes of the Mt. of Olives, it commemorates the Lord's weeping. (Luke 19:41-44). We continue walking down the hill the traditional Palm Sunday road to Church of All Nations, also known as the Basilica of the Agony and the Garden of Gethsemani. Its construction was funded by sixteen nations. In front of the main altar within the Church can be seen a part of the traditional Rock of Agony.

After a lunch, we drive on in the town of **Bethlehem** which means 'the House of Bread' and the hometown of David's family. Joseph and Mary had to journey from their home in Nazareth to Bethlehem, (Here Jesus Christ was born of the Virgin Mary) inscribed in a silver star in the Basilica of the Nativity, indicates the stable where Christ was born. On the right lies the Holy Manger. Time permitting, we will also visit the Milk Grotto. We visit the Shepherd's Field to commemorate the appearance of the angels to the Shepherds on that first Christmas night, An angel of the Lord appeared to them....and said to them, 'don't be afraid, I'm here with good news for you, which will bring great joy to all the people. This very day in David's town your Savior was born - Christ the Lord! (Luke 2:8-11). We return to the hotel for dinner and overnight. (B/L/D). Mass

Day 09: Monday 04 May 2020. POOLS OF BETHESDA / ST ANNE'S CHURCH / CHAPEL OF THE FLAGELLATION & THE CONDEMNATION/ VIA DOLOROSA (STATIONS OF THE CROSS) CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE /GARDEN TOMB / BETHLEHEM

Today after an early breakfast, we will enter the old city of Jerusalem from St Stephen's gate. We visit the Pool of Bethesda that was one of the main water reservoirs of Jerusalem and located near the 'Sheep Gate.' The blind, the lame, and the crippled would request to be taken to the pool for healing. In John 5:213, Jesus cured a man who had been ill for 38 years. Close by lies St. Anne's Church built during the time of the Crusades. According to tradition this was the domicile of St. Anne, the mother of Mary. Additionally, it is believed to be Mary's birth place. From there we walk through the markets of the old city

to the Stations of the Cross before the crowds gather in the morning. We visit the Church of the Flagellation which stands on the site of Jesus' scourging, and the Condemnation chapel where Jesus was tried and sentenced to death. (Luke 23:26-34). We then commence the Stations of the Cross as we pray and follow in Our Lord's footsteps along the actual Via Dolorosa (Sorrowful journey) to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher where we will celebrate an unforgettable Eucharist. The Stone of Anointment, on which Joseph of Arimathea laid the body of Jesus after removing it from the cross, lies at the entrance to the Church. Within the Church is the Rock of Golgotha which translates as 'the place of the skull'. Christians revere the Church of the Holy Sepulcher as the most sacred place on earth. Here Jesus was brought and nailed to the cross. This place of crucifixion commemorates the elevation of the cross the suffering and death of Jesus, and the lowering of His body to the tomb (Luke 23:33-46). Joseph, a man of substantial means from Arimathea, had gone to Pilate to ask for, and obtained, the release of Jesus' body. Wrapping it in a fresh linen sheet, Joseph placed it in his own new tomb, freshly dug out of solid rock. (Matt. 27:57-70). Then we go to the **Israeli Museum** which houses the shrine of the Book and the Dead Sea Scrolls. At the Museum we will see the Model of Jerusalem city during the time of Christ. (B/L/D). Mass

DAY 10: Tuesday 05 May 2020. TEMPLE MOUNT/DOME OF THE ROCK /AQSA MOSQUE / WAILING WALL / HILLS OF JERUSALEM / MT ZION / CHURCH OF ST PETER IN GALLICANTU / BETHLEHEM

After breakfast we visit the Wailing Wall and we view the Temple Area, and the Aqsa Mosque of the Dome of 'the Rock' where Abraham was about to immolate his son Isaac. Then we drive to **Mt. ZION** to visit the Basilica of the Dormition which pinpoints the spot where Mary the Mother of Jesus was assumed into heaven. We then proceed to the room of the Last Supper (the Cenacle or Dining Hall), also on Mt. Zion, when Jesus instituted the Eucharist at the meal he had with his apostles. (Mark 14:12-16; Luke 22:7-20). According to John the Evangelist, Jesus appeared twice after His resurrection in this same room (John 20:19-29). At the conclusion of the Last Supper, Jesus and His disciples descended Mt. Zion and made their way to Gethsemane from where He was brought before the High Priest Caiphas. After the visit to Last Supper room, we proceed to King David's tomb. We visit the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu, 'St. Peter of the Cock Crowing', built over the remains of a wealthy first century house, and claimed to be the property of the same High Priest Caiphas. In Caiphas' presence, Jesus was humiliated, mocked at, slapped and spat upon. In the courtyard at the same time was Peter who denied his Master thrice. After his arrest, just then a cock began to crow (Matt 26:69-75). In the afternoon, we drive to **Ein Karem**, where John the Baptist was born, and site of the Visitation of Mary to her cousin Elizabeth. We visit the Churches of St. John the Baptist, and the Church of the Visitation. At Mary's greeting, the mother of St. John the Baptist, Elizabeth, was "filled with the Holy Spirit", and said in a loud voice, "You are most blessed of all women, and blessed is the child you will bear." (Luke 1:39-45). Mary responded with her song of praise 'the Magnificat,' "My heart praises the Lord" (Luke 1:46-55). (B/L/D). Mass

DAY 11: Wednesday 06 May 2020. DRIVE TO JERUSALEM – Free (no guide)

Free After breakfast, the rest of the day at leisure. We will return to our hotel for dinner. (B/D). Mass

Day 12: Thursday 07 May 2020. JERUSALEM – Free - (no guide & no bus)

Free After breakfast, the rest of the day at leisure. We will return to our hotel for dinner. (B/D). Mass

Day 13 – Friday 08 May 2020. JERUSALEM / Amman / Dubai. B

After breakfast, Check out Hotel, we will proceed to cross the border to Jordan.

After crossing the border - we proceed to Amman airport.

Check in at **11:05 EK902**, meals will be served on board.

Arrive Dubai at **15:05**. Depart Dubai at **21:30 EK416**, meals will be served on board

Day 14: Saturday 09 May 2020. Sydney

Arrive Sydney at **17:20**

DAYS 14 (INCLUSIVE OF TRAVELLING TIME)

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from AU\$5,400:00 per person twin/double share (Minimum 20 Pilgrims)

Single Supplement **from AU\$6,200:00**

Included in the above rates:

Return Airfare: Sydney / Dubai / Amman / Dubai / Sydney

11 nights stay 3 star accommodation throughout the pilgrimage

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| 27-29 April 2020: | Hotel Amman Al Fannar or similar | Amman | 2 nights |
| 29 April-02 May 2020: | Hotel Plaza Nazareth or similar | Nazareth | 3 nights |
| 02-06 May 2020: | Bethlehem Hotel or similar | Bethlehem | 4 nights |
| 06-08 May 2020: | Jerusalem Gate or similar | Jerusalem | 2 nights |

INCLUSIONS

- ✓ Accommodation at the above-mentioned hotels or similar for 11 nights
- ✓ Breakfast & dinner buffets daily at hotel
- ✓ Meet & Assist at airports & border crossing
- ✓ Licensed Guide
- ✓ Entrance fees
- ✓ Transportation in a modern, comfortable WI-FI equipped coaches
- ✓ Frees as specified
- ✓ Maps & Hats (**Only in Israel**)
- ✓ Daily masses reservation
- ✓ Israel Ministry of tourism certificates
- ✓ 07 lunches in Israel + 02 Lunches in Jordan en route
- ✓ One small bottle of water daily on the bus (**Only in Israel**)

All Airport Taxes, Security Fees, and Fuel Surcharges

Tip for guide and driver

Jordan / Israel Visa and Departure Tax (Australian Passport Holders only)

EXCLUSIONS

- x Personal expenses
- x Beverages with outside meals.
- x Items of a personal nature
- x Drinks taken with meals

Travel insurance is Compulsory

Reservations and Payment:

Please complete the attached Reservation Application and return with deposit of:

***Deposit of AU\$2,400:00 per person at the time of Reservation (NON-REFUNDABLE)**

2nd Payment AU\$2,000:00 person twin/double share

Single Supplement AU\$2,800:00. By Sunday 08 December 2019.

Final Payment before Sunday 19 January 2020: AU\$1,000:00

Cancellations for Land:

All cancellations must be in writing. The following per person cancellation charges will apply:

If cancelled 180 days or more prior to departure date, AU\$500.00 administrative fee will be charged.

If cancelled 181 - 90 days prior to departure date, AU\$1,000.00 will be charged.

If cancelled 91 - 60 days prior to departure date, AU\$1,500.00 will be charged.

No refunds will be made within 61 days of departure date.

In addition, once the airline tickets have been issued, 100% of the airfare is non-refundable.

Additional cancellation charges may apply depending upon the cancellation terms of our suppliers.

Photocopy of Passport Details: Name, Passport No. Expiry Date. (Is required before **Sunday 08 December 2019**)

I trust the above will meet your group's requirements. Should there be any queries please contact me on my mobile (anytime) or my home line (after 3.30 pm).

Francis Williams (Travel Coordinator)

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Note:

Though every effort will be made to follow the itinerary, it should be considered as an indication of the tour, rather than a contract of places to be visited. Occasionally local religious holidays, national days, traffic conditions and other events may necessitate changes in the sequence of visits or the missing of certain visits.

We will have daily Mass and strive to be in places as indicated. However, sometimes this is not possible as the site may not be available for Mass or itinerary changes are forced upon us. In this case an alternative site for Mass will be arranged.

Reservation Application

Please complete fully the following application in order to register for one of our many wonderful trips.

Reservation Made By FRANCIS WILLIAMS - Tel: 08 9459 3873 / Mob: 0404 893 877

TOUR INFORMATION

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14 DAYS INCLUSIVE OF TRAVELLING TIME

Departure Date Sunday 26 April 2020

Group Name **St. JOHN PAUL II Pilgrimage**

PASSENGER(s) INFORMATION (Names MUST Be Exact Match to Your Passport)

| Name(s) of passengers (Last / First , Middle) | DOB (dd/mm/yy) | Passport # |
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Address

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Country

Home Phone

Work

Mobile

E-Mail(s)

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name

Phone

REGISTRATION OPTIONS

Departure City **SYDNEY**

Accommodations SINGLE / TWIN / DOUBLE

Roommate

Request

Travel Insurance

Compulsory

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Meal Request

Wheelchair
Request

Other Needs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS OR INFORMATION

PAYMENT

Details

Bank: ANZ
Branch: Maddington
BSB: 016-141
A/C: 2999 05840
F.F. Williams & G.F. Williams

Cash or Cheque

* Deposit:Paid on...../...../ 2019 Received by

2nd Payment:Paid on...../...../ 2019 Received by

Final Payment:Paid on...../...../ 2020 Received by

Total Payment AU\$.....Paid