

# Pilgrimage to the **HOLY LAND**

*with Msgr. Paul Bochicchio and Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers*

29 October - 8 November, 2018



**Deacon Harold  
Burke-Sivers**

TWIN SHARE | TOUR ONLY

**\$2995** USD

*\*Special Airfares on request to Harvest*



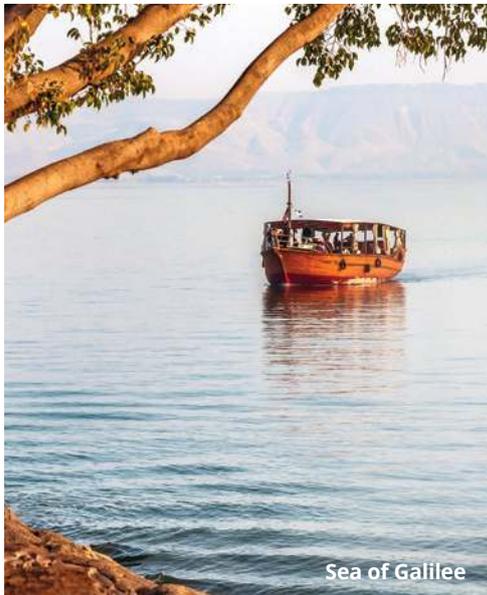
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Sea of Galilee

# ITINERARY

## DAY 1: 29 OCTOBER - DEPART AUSTRALIA

Make your way to your local airport where you will board your overnight flight. Your meals are served on board.

## DAY 2: 30 OCTOBER - ARRIVAL IN TEL AVIV - NAZARETH

Upon arrival at Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv, make your way to the baggage claim area and collect your luggage. Proceed to the arrival's hall, where you will be greeted by your Christian tour guide and/or driver. Transfer to your hotel in Nazareth stopping at Mt. Carmel monastery to celebrate Mass (TBC) based on flight time arrival. Stella Maris, a Carmelite Monastery, is located in Haifa, above the cave where Elijah, the prophet, once lived. A colorful painting of this "wonder-worker" can be found on the ceiling of the Church. Enjoy dinner at the hotel before retiring for the evening. (D)

## DAY 3: 31 OCTOBER - NAZARETH - CANA

*Theme: The Annunciation*

Following breakfast, we visit Cana where you will visit the Franciscan Wedding Church. Couples will have the opportunity to participate in the ceremony to renew their wedding vows. We return to Nazareth, the town where Mary once lived and where Jesus lived as a child (Matthew 2:23). During the visit to Nazareth, you will visit the Byzantine Church of St. Joseph which tradition identifies as the workshop and home of the Holy Family. Then we make a stop at the Church of the Annunciation, built over the cave believed to be the home of the Virgin Mary. Here we celebrate Mass. The cupola, which dominates modern-day Nazareth, is surmounted by a lantern which symbolizes "the Light of the World." Also, we will visit Mary's Well where the Angel Gabriel announced to the Virgin Mary that she will bear the Son of God (Luke 1:30-34). Lunch will be at the International Center for Mary where we also see a movie about Mary's life in Nazareth. Dinner and overnight. (B, D)

## DAY 4: 01 NOVEMBER - ALL SAINTS DAY - MINISTRY IN THE GALILEE

*Theme: The Ministry of Christ in the Galilee*

Today we begin this day with breakfast at the hotel, followed by a boat ride on the beautiful and scenic Sea of Galilee (Luke 5:1). Upon docking the boat, you will have the opportunity to view the remains of a boat that dates to the time of Jesus. We continue to the Mount of Beatitudes, where Jesus proclaimed His great Sermon on the Mount (Luke 6:20-49). We celebrate Mass in this holy spot, overlooking the Sea of Galilee. Near the Mount is Tabgha, one of Jesus' miracle sites. At Tabgha, Jesus fed the crowd of 5,000 people from five loaves of bread and two fish (Luke 9:10-17). Also, in Tabgha is St. Peter's Primacy, where Jesus bestowed church leadership upon Peter (John 21:9). Continue to visit the birthplace of Mary Magdalene in Magdala. During the time of Jesus, this village was a prosperous fishing village that exported fish and garum (a fish sauce reduction; popular in Roman cooking). Your day concludes at

Capernaum, the launching place of Jesus' ministry. In Capernaum, see the Synagogue

where Jesus taught (Mark 1:21-29) and gave His sermon on the Bread of Life. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

## DAY 5: 02 NOVEMBER - ALL SOULS DAY - MT. TABOR - JERICO - JORDAN RIVER

*Theme: The Transfiguration*

After breakfast, we will drive to the site of the Transfiguration, Mount Tabor (Matthew 17:1-50). At this site, you will have some time to reflect on Christ's Humanity and Divinity. We celebrate Mass at the Basilica of the Transfiguration. Continue south to the Jordan Valley to the oldest inhabited city in the world, Jericho (Joshua 6:12-25). In Jericho, you view the Mount of Temptation, where the Devil tempted Jesus during his forty-day fast (Luke 4:1). Following lunch in Jericho, continue to Jesus' baptismal site on the River Jordan (Matthew 3:13-17). We arrive in Bethlehem to check-in to your hotel and enjoy dinner and overnight. (B, D)

## DAY 6: 03 NOVEMBER - JERUSALEM: EIN KAREM - AFTERNOON AT LEISURE

*Theme: The Visitation*

This morning, enjoy breakfast before we start our visit to Ein Karem, the birthplace of John the Baptist. It is known that there are two churches in Ein Karem, both representing the two homes of Zechariah and Elizabeth. The first is in a valley where the birth of St. John the Baptist is commemorated (Luke 1:39-80) in the Church of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist. The second is on a hill where Elizabeth spent five months in seclusion (Luke 1:24) at the Church of the Visitation. You will have a chance to visit both of these churches and have the opportunity to pray the Mystery of the Rosary as you walk up the hill to the Church of the Visitation. We celebrate Mass in Ein Karem. This afternoon is at leisure to relax, shop or enjoy walking around the Old town Jerusalem on your own. Overnight Bethlehem. (B, D)

## DAY 7: 04 NOVEMBER - BETHLEHEM

*Theme: The Birth*

In the morning, transfer to Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus. In Bethlehem, you visit Shepherd's Field and Grotto (Luke 2:8). In the caves of these fields, you are still able to see the soot marks of fires that shepherds lit to keep warm. Continue to the Manger Square which stands in front of the Church of the Nativity. As you enter the Church, you will proceed down to the Grotto of the Nativity which marks the spot of Our Savior's birth (Matthew 2:1-18). Beneath the altar, there is a silver star and a Latin inscription that states: HIC DE VIRGINE MARIA JESUS CHRISTUS NATUS (Here Jesus Christ was born to the Virgin Mary). Also, see St. Jerome's Grotto and the Church of St. Catherine next door, where we celebrate Mass. We shop in Bethlehem in support of the Christian families who live here. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

## DAY 8: 05 NOVEMBER - BETHANY - QUMRAN - THE DEAD SEA SWIM - SHARING THE BREAD CHRISTIAN MEAL

*Theme: Early Years in Jerusalem & the Wilderness.*

## WHAT'S THE COST?

Land Only/Twin Share  
**\$2995.00 USD**

Plus Best International Airfare of the day with Harvest (optional)

Single Supplement  
**\$695.00 USD**

Single rooms subject to strict availability constraints

This active program covers a good amount of ground each day.

You need to be able to walk for 60 minutes straight and on uneven surfaces.

Some stairs will be encountered.



Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Jerusalem

Following breakfast at your hotel, we travel down the Jordan Valley to Qumran. Qumran is made up of 2,000-year-old ruins from the days of the Second Temple and the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were written and discovered (Ezekiel 47:8-10). These writings have helped further the understanding of Jewish background in Christianity. Time and weather permitting, you will have the opportunity to float in the Dead Sea; the lowest and saltiest spot on Earth. Continue as you travel through the Judean wilderness, the site where Jesus spent His 40 days of fasting. The day of touring culminates with a transfer to Bethany. Bethany is the site where Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead which foreshadows His own Resurrection (John 11:38-44). Here we celebrate Mass. In the evening, we are welcomed into the homes of the local Christian families for 'Sharing the Bread Meal'. Return to the hotel. Overnight in Bethlehem. (B, Special Meal)

**DAY 9: 06 NOVEMBER - JERUSALEM: MT OF OLIVES – GETHSEMANE – MT. ZION (Upper Room) – WESTERN WALL**

*Theme: Palm Sunday and the Agony in the Garden*

After breakfast, we will make our way to the Mount of Olives where you will be able to take in the beautiful, panoramic view of Jerusalem. Historically, the Mount of Olives was a mandatory transit point for Jesus during many iconic moments. Visit the Pater Noster Shrine where Jesus taught His disciples the Lord's Prayer (Pater Noster) (Luke 11:1-4). You will have the opportunity to stop at Dominus Flevit which is a Church that commemorates where Jesus wept for Jerusalem (Luke 19:41). We continue to Gethsemane, a garden at the foot of the Mount of Olives. Jesus brought His disciples here to pray the night before He was crucified (Luke 22:29-53). The Garden still contains trees with roots that date back to the time of Jesus. Your next stop is the Church of All Nations, which is built over the "Rock of Agony", and where we celebrate Mass. This is where Jesus prayed alone on the night of His arrest. You are invited to remain in prayer and to reflect on Christ's agony that He experienced. You will have the opportunity to visit the Western Wall, which is the last remnant of the Jewish Temple after it was destroyed in 70 A.D. Continue with a

visit to the house of the High Priest Caiaphas (Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu). This Church commemorates where Jesus was examined and eventually imprisoned before the Council in Jerusalem. It also commemorates Peter's Denial of Christ (John 18:15-18), Peter's repentance, and Jesus' forgiveness of Peter. You will also visit the Upper Room on Mt. Zion. The Upper Room is where Jesus and His disciples celebrated the Last Supper (Matthew 26:17-30) and where Jesus appeared to His disciples after His Death and Resurrection (Mark 16:14). In addition, visit the nearby Benedictine Church of the Dormition. Tradition tells us that this Church is where Mary, the Mother of Jesus, "fell asleep." Overnight and dinner in Jerusalem. (B, D)

**DAY 10: 07 NOVEMBER -- JERUSALEM: VIA DOLOROSA – HOLY SEPULCHRE – FAREWELL DINNER PARTY**

*Theme: The Way of the Cross, The Crucifixion, The Resurrection*

This morning you will have a very early wake up to begin the Via Dolorosa (The Way of the Cross) at the Antonia Fortress. This is the spot where Jesus was condemned to death by Pontius Pilate (John 18:28-19:16). Following His condemnation, He was taken (on the Road to Calvary) to His place of Crucifixion. Reflect upon the Stations of the Cross as you travel through the markets of the Old City to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre (Luke 23:26-33). This sacred destination is the site of Calvary (Jesus' crucifixion place) and His tomb (Luke 23: 50-55). Celebrate Mass at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Following Mass, we will return to the hotel to enjoy breakfast. We will continue our day with a visit to the Church of St. Anne's, the home of Jesus' maternal grandparents (Anne and Joachim) and the Pool of Bethesda, where Jesus healed the crippled man (John 5:1-9). This afternoon, enjoy a revisit to the Old City. We will also enjoy a festive farewell dinner tonight. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B, Special Dinner) \*Last evening in Jerusalem may change depending on the return flight schedule.

**DAY 11: 08 NOVEMBER - RETURN HOME**

After an early breakfast and heartfelt farewells, transfer to the Tel Aviv airport for our return flight home. (B)

**YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES**

- Accommodations in first class hotels
- Open hot buffet breakfast daily
- Daily buffet dinners
- Beverages are not included unless specified
- Sharing the Bread Christian dinner
- Farewell dinner with wine
- Private Air-conditioned motor coach
- English speaking tour manager
- All admission charges as per the itinerary
- Baggage handling for one suitcase per person only included at the hotels
- Parking fees for motor coaches
- Local hotel taxes
- Confirmation of private Mass

**RATES DO NOT INCLUDE**

- Personal expenses
- Travel protection - optional and highly encouraged
- Medical insurance
- Any items not specifically mentioned in the listed inclusions
- Beverages at meals unless otherwise noted
- Gratuities for the guide(s), driver and hotel staff (please refer to the suggestions we will make available to you). At lunch, we recommend a tip of \$1.00 per person per day. For extra luggage, please tip \$1.00 per person per bag.
- Church donations

**BAGGAGE CHARGES NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP COST**

- Any airline baggage charges.
- Baggage handling at train stations, airports and hotels in excess of one suitcase per person.
- Any charges incurred due to excessive luggage including the cost of an additional baggage vehicle or portage charges.

## Important information regarding your trip

**Deposits and final payment:** A non-refundable deposit of AUD\$800.00 per person and a copy of your passport details page must accompany every completed booking form sent to Harvest. Final payment is due by August 27, 2018. Your passport must be valid for 6 months from the date of your return to Australia. Reservations will not be processed until we have received copies of your passport.

**Prices:** Prices quoted in this brochure are per person twin share in US Dollars (USD). Your Harvest Consultant will advise the equivalent Australian Dollars (AUD) (plus any associated bank fees or charges) at the time of booking. Fuel surcharges or taxes may increase and are subject to change at time of final invoicing.

**International Airfare:** The prices shown in this brochure are Land Only. Your Harvest Consultant can assist with the best available return airfare to the Holy Land from all Australia. Your Harvest Consultant will also advise transfer options from Tel Aviv or Amman airports to Nazareth and return from Jerusalem, and if any transfer fees apply. If you purchase your own airfare, your flight schedule may have you arriving or departing at a different time to the group. It is your responsibility to join the group either at the airport or at the first hotel. In case your flight is cancelled or delayed please contact the emergency number provided in your travel documents to notify your guide of the delay. Your travel documents will contain an emergency number and the guides phone. Any incurred costs are out of pocket and not included in the trip cost. The cost of private transfers in case of delays are not covered as part of your trip cost.

**Single rooms:** A limited number of single rooms are available on each trip. If you wish to share a room please let us know at the time of booking. We will attempt to match you with another person looking to share. If your roommate cancels, and the room is converted into single usage, a single supplement will be charged.

**Passport and Visa information:** All airlines require us to submit valid passport information including full name (first, middle and last), date of birth, gender, country, in which your passport has been issued and passport expiration date. To ensure that we can provide this information accurately, we require a copy of each pilgrim's passport.

Your passport must be valid 6 months from the date of return to Australia. Harvest can advise if any visas are required for the destinations visited.

**Cancellation Policy:** Your deposit of AUD\$800 is non-refundable. Within 60 days of departure all payments are non-refundable regardless of reason for cancellations. All cancellations must be in writing. Unused portions of the trip are not refundable. We strongly encourage you to purchase International Travel Insurance before departure. Your Harvest Consultant can provide you with competitive insurance costs.

**Special requests:** All special needs and requests due to medical or dietary must be requested in writing at least 60 days prior to departure.

**Rooming:** A limited number of single rooms are available at an additional cost. Prices are based on twin share. We do not guarantee roommates but will do our best to connect you with a suitable share partner.

**Land Only Bookings:** Land only bookings start and end at the hotels, unless you are able to meet the group at the airport. Land Only bookings do not include airfares or return airport transfers.

**Responsibility:** By submitting a booking form and accepting our confirmation, you agree that Harvest Journeys and Select International have no responsibility for any acts or omission of the travel suppliers in your itinerary and during your trip. We have no special knowledge regarding the financial conditions of the suppliers, unsafe travel conditions, health hazards or weather hazards at locations travelled. We are not responsible for flight delays or cancellations or any charges incurred due to unforeseen circumstances. Unused portions of the trip are non-refundable. For health information consult with your GP or a Travel Medicine Centre. You are responsible for checking passport, visa, vaccination or other entry requirements of your destinations. Itineraries are subject to change and out of our control. We are not responsible for any damaged, lost or stolen articles. We are not responsible for any sickness, injury or death during or after the trip. Travel documents will be mailed out approximately 3 weeks before departure. Please review them carefully for any errors. See Harvest for full conditions in association with Select International.

## REGISTRATION/CONSENT FORM

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**October 29-November 8, 2018**

Please complete this form and return it to Harvest Journeys,  
along with your deposit of \$800 and a copy of your passport picture page.

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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Medical/Dietary Needs \_\_\_\_\_

Room: (check one) Single (1 Bed) \_\_\_\_\_ Double (1 Bed, 2 People) \_\_\_\_\_ Twin (2 Beds, 2 People) \_\_\_\_\_ Triple (3 Beds) \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact (Name and Phone): \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a cheque/money order in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for my initial deposit.

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I require Harvest to send me a quote for Travel Insurance: \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No

By signing below I consent to any necessary itinerary changes and price adjustments and agree with all the enclosed TERMS AND CONDITIONS. I also understand that Harvest Journeys and Select International highly encourage the purchase of comprehensive travel insurance and that any fees associated with this trip cannot be waived for any reason. If I decline to purchase travel insurance I assume all financial losses associated with this trip which otherwise may be covered by travel insurance. I also agree not to contest any charges or payments associated with the trip cost as outlined in this brochure.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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