

## Pilgrimage Center of the Patriarchal Parishes in USA

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### *"From Sinai to Zion"*

### Pilgrimage itinerary to the Holy Land

**March 10-20, 2020**

Dates	Place	Tour program	Overnight
1 <sup>st</sup> day March 10 Tuesday	Jaffa	Arrival at the Ben Gurion Airport. Meeting with the guide. The ancient city of Jaffa. Tomb of Tabitha on the Russian site, founded by Father Antonin Kapustin. Transfer to Bethlehem. Hotel accommodation.	Bethlehem
2 <sup>nd</sup> day March 11 Wednesday	Sinai	Transfer to the Sinai Peninsula. Hotel accommodation. Tour of the Saint Catherine's Monastery. Veneration of the relics of St. Catherine. The Burning Bush. Monastery gardens. Ossuary in Saint Catherine's Monastery. Monastery Museum. Ancient manuscripts. Sinai Savior Icon.	Sinai
3 <sup>rd</sup> day March 12 Thursday	Sinai	Night climb to Mount Horeb (Mount Moses). Liturgy at the top of the mountain. Climb down. Rest on the beach.	Sinai
4 <sup>th</sup> day March 13 Friday	The Negev	Return to Israel. The Negev Desert. The mysterious civilization of the Nabataeans in the Mamshit National Park. Traces of ancient Byzantine cities. Return to Bethlehem. Hotel accommodation.	Bethlehem
5 <sup>th</sup> day March 14 Saturday	Bethlehem Jerusalem	Bethlehem - a detailed tour of the Church of the Nativity. Jerusalem - the City of David. Siloam Font. Abbey of Saint Mary of the Valley of Jehosaphat. The Church of Mary Magdalene, where the relics of two martyred saints, Grand Duchess Elizabeth Feodorovna of Russia and her fellow nun Varvara are located. Stone of believing of Apostle Thomas. The miraculous icon of Hodegetria "Gethsemane."	Bethlehem
6 <sup>th</sup> day March 15 Sunday	Jerusalem	Walking tour of the Old City. Garden of Gethsemane. Stone on which Jesus prayed for the Chalice of suffering to pass. The Way of the Cross of the Savior. The Church of Saint Alexander Nevsky- Threshold of Gates of Judgement. Temple of the Holy Sepulcher with all the shrines.	Bethlehem
7 <sup>th</sup> day March 16 Monday	Jericho	Jericho is one of the oldest cities in the world at the foot of the Mount of Temptation. The Monastery of Temptation on the Forty-Day Mountain. Water spring of the holy prophet Elisha. Holy Mt. Tabor. Transfiguration Monastery on the top of Mount Tabor. Transfer to Tiberias. Hotel accommodation.	Tiberias

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8 <sup>th</sup> day March 17 Tuesday	Galilee	Nazareth. Church of St. Archangel Gabriel over the water spring of the Blessed Virgin. Capernaum - Monastery of the Holy Twelve Apostles. Compound of the Russian Ecclesiastical Mission in Magdala - a place of healing by the Lord of the Holy Equal-to-the-Apostles Mary Magdalene. Washing in the spring. Mount of the Beatitudes. Place of the Sermon on the Mount. Overnight in Bethlehem.	Bethlehem
9 <sup>th</sup> day March 18 Wednesday	Jerusalem	Divine Liturgy in the Lavra Chariton Confessor. Holy Mt. of Olives – place of the Ascension of the Lord. Savior-Ascension Monastery on the Mt of Olives.	Bethlehem
10 <sup>th</sup> day March 19 Thursday	Jerusalem	Monasteries of the Holy City: Monastery of St. Theodosius Kinoviarch. Lavra (monastery) of Venerable Savva the Sanctified Founder of Palestinian Monasticism, the only monastic community in the Desert of the Holy City, which keeps the ancient monastic charter bequeathed by the founder.	Bethlehem
11 <sup>th</sup> day March 20 Friday	Outskirts of Jerusalem	Women’s monastery in the valley of Ein Karem – place of the birth of St. John the Baptist. Transfer to Ben Gurion Airport. Return home.	Return flight overnight

*During the trip, we will be able to participate in the night Liturgy in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Liturgy time will be agreed upon before the trip*

#### ***The cost of the trip***

- The cost of the trip for group of 25 people - \$980 each for double occupancy
- \$250 extra for single room occupancy
- The cost of the trip includes transport and excursion service in Israel, Transfer to Sinai, transport and excursion service on Sinai, hotels - 7 nights in Bethlehem, 1 night in Galilee, 2 nights in Sinai, two meals daily (breakfast and dinner).
- Additional mandatory expenses:  
\$60 - tips for staff, paid entrance to some monasteries in Israel  
\$40 - tax on leaving Israel  
\$10 - tips for staff in Egypt  
\$20 - tips for guide and driver.

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