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Aug. 30 *to* Sep. 10
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Roundtrip from St. Louis, MO (STL)

*Under the Spiritual Direction of Fr. David Coon
St. John Catholic Church, Leopold, MO
& St. Anthony Catholic Church in Glennon, MO*

Dear Friends,

It is a joy to invite you to join us on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Since our youth we have been hearing the gospel stories about the Lord Jesus walking and teaching in Jerusalem., Capernaum, and Galilee. He worked Miracles around the sea of Tiberius, Jericho and Cana.

He was born in Bethlehem, grew up in Nazareth, and was crucified at Golgotha. We will be seeing those places and much more. Our visit will give us an opportunity of walking in the footsteps of Jesus, our Blessed Mother Mary and the very first disciples.

Each day we will celebrate Mass at one of the holy places and reflect on the gospel text appropriate to the place we visit. This will be a pilgrimage of a lifetime and it will forever change the way you read and understand the Scriptures. We hope you will be able to join us on what promises to be a grace-filled journey to the land from where it all started.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Father David Coon

Day by Day Itinerary

DAY 1, AUGUST 30TH, 2021: Depart USA Our Pilgrimage begins today as we depart on our flight to Israel. Meals and drinks served aloft.

DAY 2, AUGUST 31ST, 2021: ARRIVE TEL AVIV / BETHLEHEM: Upon arrival in Tel Aviv we are welcomed by our Representative then transferred to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Bethlehem (D)

DAY 3, SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2021: BETHLEHEM: This morning we visit the Church of the Nativity, situated above the traditional Grotto of Jesus birth. After touring the Manger, Grotto of St. Jerome, the church of St. Catherine, we will visit the Milk Grotto. Later we head to the shepherd's field.

Overnight: Bethlehem (B, D)

DAY 4, SEPTEMBER 2ND, 2021: BETHLEHEM: Visit the gentle lush countryside of Ein Karem, the village where John the Baptist was born. Here we will visit the Church of the Visitation and the Church of St. John.

Overnight: Bethlehem (B, D)

DAY 5, SEPTEMBER 3RD, 2021: BETHLEHEM / TIBERIAS: This morning, we leave Jerusalem and head to Tiberias. Drive along the Mediterranean coast to Caesarea, home of ancient Roman Procurators and capitol city of the Roman Province of Palestine. Here, St. Peter preached, and St. Paul was imprisoned for two years. Continue to the sparkling port city of Haifa. Ascend Mt. Carmel, home of the prophets Elijah and Elisha, for Mass before continuing to Tiberias, our home for the next three nights.

Overnight: Nazareth/Tiberias (B, D)

DAY 6, SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2021: TIBERIAS: Following breakfast, drive to Nazareth, home of the Holy Family. Visit Joseph's Workshop and the Grotto of the Annunciation. Continue to Cana of Galilee, where our Lord performed the first miracle – changing water into wine at the wedding feast. Here we will invite couples to renew their wedding vows. We then head to the summit of Mt. Tabor for Mass at the site of the Transfiguration of Jesus and enjoy a sweeping view of the beautiful Jezreel Valley.

Overnight: Nazareth/Tiberias (B, D)

DAY 7, SEPTEMBER 5TH, 2021: TIBERIAS: Start the day at Tabgha, the site of the miracle of the loaves and fishes. Celebrate Mass on the shore of the Sea of Galilee where Jesus called his disciples and appeared after his resurrection. Visit Capernaum, home of our Lord during his ministry, recall His many miracles and see the Synagogue where He taught. Then drive up to the Mt. of the Beatitudes for Mass and lunch near the site of the Sermon on the Mount. We then visit the nearby village of Magdala before we conclude this day with a scenic boat ride on the Sea of Galilee.

Overnight: Nazareth/Tiberias (B, D)

DAY 8, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2021: TIBERIAS / BETHLEHEM:

This morning we depart Tiberias and travel to Jericho, the oldest known city in the world. Continue along the shores of the Dead Sea to Qumran to see the caves where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered. After lunch we head for a swim in the salty, mineral laden and unsinkable waters of the Dead Sea. We then stop at the Jordan River to renew our baptismal vows before continuing to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Bethlehem (B, D)

DAY 9, SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2021: BETHLEHEM: Begin the first day in Jerusalem with a visit to a large-scale model of the city at the time of Jesus. Continue to the area of the ancient Jewish temple. Explore excavations of the temple environs, see the steps where Jesus preached and the evidence of the destruction of the temple as Jesus foretold. See the Wailing Wall – the most sacred place in the world for Jews. Proceed to Mt. Zion where we will stand in the Upper Room, celebrating Mass very near where Jesus ate the Last supper with His disciples. Then we will visit the Dormition Abbey where we remember Mary “falling asleep” before her Assumption. Drive to Bethany where Our Lord would stay in the home of His friends, Mary, Martha and Lazarus during His visits to Jerusalem.

Overnight: Bethlehem (B, D)

DAY 10, SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2021: BETHLEHEM: This morning drive to the top of the Mt. of Olives where we will visit the Church of Pater Noster where Jesus taught His disciples the Lord's Prayer. We also visit the Chapel of the Ascension commemorating the Ascension of Our Lord into Heaven. Walk the Palm Sunday road to the Chapel of Dominus Flevit, where we will have Mass with a spectacular view of Jerusalem. Continue to the Garden of Gethsemane and the Tomb of Mary. In the afternoon, we visit the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu at the place where Peter denied Jesus while He was awaiting trial before Sanhedrin. Return that evening to the Church of All Nations on the Garden of Gethsemane for a Holy Hour at the place where Jesus suffered the agony in the garden and was betrayed by Judas.

Overnight: Bethlehem (B, D)

DAY 11, SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2021: BETHLEHEM: Today we will walk through the narrow cobble stone streets of the Old City, beginning with Mass at the Church of St. Anne, the birthplace of Mary, and viewing the Pool of Bethesda, where Jesus healed the crippled. Then follow Jesus on the Way of the Cross to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher to visit Calvary, where Christ was crucified, the Stone of Anointing, and the empty Tomb of Our Savior which witnesses to our Easter faith in the resurrection.

Overnight: Bethlehem (B, D)

DAY 12, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2021: USA: Today we arrive home safely with unforgettable memories knowing that we have walked on the footsteps of Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Terms and Conditions

By making any payments (cash, credit card or otherwise) towards any tour constitutes your unconditional acceptance of all the terms and conditions stated in this brochure. Holy Land Travel Center shall be referred to as HLTC within this document.

DOCUMENTS: US citizens require a valid passport. Other nationalities please inquire with the appropriate embassies.

REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT: A deposit of \$500 per person is required upon registration along with a copy of the registration form on or before no later than April 1st, 2021. Registrations are processed in the order received by HLTC. A second of \$1500 is due by May 31st, 2021, and final payment due by July 15th, 2021. Late payments are subject to \$50 late fee. HLTC reserves the right to cancel reservations that are not paid 30 days prior to departure and to apply applicable cancellation/penalties indicated below. No registrations can be made over the telephone.

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Additional cancellation fees:

1. No cancellation fees up to 60 days prior to the tour's departure date.
2. From 60 to 30 days prior to departure day, the cancellation fee is \$500 + 20% of total price.
3. From 29 days to 8 days prior to departure day, cancellation fee is \$500 + 50% of total price.
4. From 7 days prior to departure day onward, no refund is possible.

PASSENGER TRAVEL PROTECTION PROGRAM (HIGHLY RECOMMENDED): Passenger Travel Protection Program is administered by Travel Guard. Holy Land Travel center is not responsible for damage, loss, or theft of luggage and/or personal belongings, or for personal injury, accident and/or illness. This pilgrimage demands a lot of walking and can be strenuous. For protection, it is important that you have adequate insurance to cover these possibilities. To purchase travel insurance, please send a \$195 separate check for insurance coverage to the Holy Land Travel Center. Travel insurance takes effect from the time a SEPARATE payment is received. All Protection Plan fees are non-refundable.

MEDICAL CONDITION: We endeavor to provide the highest level of service to all our passengers. Participants who require special assistance must be accompanied by a qualified helper who assumes total responsibility for the participants' well-being. This pilgrimage demands a lot of walking and can be strenuous. HLTC is not responsible for any medical conditions that occur prior to, during, or after the tour.

LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSFERS: By private deluxe motor coach.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Tour prices are per person, based on two persons sharing double or twin-bedded rooms with private bathroom with tub or shower. In the event that one does not sign up with a roommate and is not able to be paired with another traveler, there will be a single supplement charge of \$850 to the account. Single rooms subject to availability and an additional cost listed on travel brochure terms and conditions.

MEALS: Meals in accordance with the itinerary. All beverages are extra.

TIPPING: Unless it is specified in the tour brochure, the price of the tour does not include tips and gratuities. Tipping is recommended to the tour guide and motor coach driver approximately \$6 and \$4 per person, respectively, per day to each: Hotel tips are approximately \$2 per day per person. Tips may be pre-collected before the pilgrimage for your convenience.

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TOUR CANCELLATION BY OPERATOR: On rare occasion, a tour departure may be cancelled due to lack of participation. In the event that HLTC would decide to cancel a departure, a full refund will be issued (including travel insurance). HLTC is not responsible and does not assume responsibility for any additional costs or any fees relating to the cancellation of air tickets or other arrangements not made through HLTC. Cancellations due to state advisories and/or state warnings, pandemic, epidemic, acts of war, war, terrorism, acts of God, natural disaster, force majeure or any other circumstance outside the control of hltc, are not the fault of HLTC. Great effort will be made to accommodate passengers on another trip or to revise itinerary, however, cancellation for any of these reasons will not be eligible for refund.

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HOLY LAND TRAVEL CENTER

Travel Registration Form — A Holy Land Pilgrimage

Host: **Fr. David Coon**

Tour #: **STL083021/12D**

Passenger Information:

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
(As it appears on your passport) (As it appears on your passport)

Street: _____ Apt: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Birth Date: ___/___/___ (Month/ Day/ Year) Sex: M F Age: _____

Citizen of USA Y N Other (Specify): _____

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Emergency Contact (In the USA): _____ Relation: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Your Roommate: _____ I want a single room (*limited availability and additional cost of \$699*)

Desired Name Printed on Name Tag (may be a nickname) _____

(Please Sign) I acknowledge that airline tickets are non-refundable, non-transferable, and are subject to airline cancellation fees and policies.

Kindly mail registration form with your deposit to:

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Tour Price: Cash/Check discount is \$3699. Regular/Credit Card Price is \$3849

Credit Card (Regular/Full Price is \$3849):

Card holder's name (print): _____ Card No: _____

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Signature Passenger: _____



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