Join Fr. Bruce Orsborn on a Pilgrimage to

Sydney & New Zealand

Sydney - Dunedin - Christchurch - Milford Sound - Auckland



January 22-February 4, 2024



\$6599 Per Person

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Day by Day Itinerary

January 22 Day 1: Flight to Sydney: Today we take our flights to Sydney with beverages and snacks served aloft.

January 23 Day 2: Flight to Sydney: Flights cover multiple days due to time change. We will gain a day back on our flight home.

January 24 Day 3: Arrive in Sydney: Welcome to Sydney! We are greeted by our Holy Land Travel Center Representative and begin our pilgrimage by attending Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral before we transfer to our hotel for check in. Afternoon free to explore Sydney on your own.

Overnight: Sydney (D)

January 25 Day 4: Sydney: We begin our tour as we travel back in time to Sydney's oldest village - the Rocks- where the Sisters of Saint Joseph had houses of providence. Australia's most historic enclave sits in the shadow of the Harbor Bridge and exhibits the heritage of two centuries in its narrow twisting streets. While in the Rocks we will pass by St. Patrick's Cathedral, and you'll have the opportunity to stop for breathtaking views and photos from under the Harbor Bridge. Your route takes you past historic Paddington, a trendy artists' haven of steep hills and Victorian homes, and then on to the Royal Australian Naval Base at Garden Island. Overnight: Sydney (B)

January 26 Day 5: Sydney: Today we will spend time at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney. We will tour the museum and attend Mass in the Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel. We take a harbor dinner cruise and tour the beautiful waterfront of Sydney before we end the day in Bondi Beach. Free time for souvenir shopping.

Overnight: Sydney (B)

January 27 Day 6: Flight to Christchurch: Today we board our flights to Christchurch. Flight time is around 3.5 hours nonstop but with time change, we will arrive in Christchurch in the afternoon. Upon arrival we are greeted by our Holy Land Travel Center Representative and transfer to our hotel for overnight.

Overnight: Christchurch (B)

January 28 Day 7: Christchurch Highlights & Mass at St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral: Today we will explore Akaraoa and the Banks Peninsula. The well-signedposted tourist routes will guide us on a loop around the peninsula and through some spectacular and rugged farmland scenery. The town of Akaroa has a rather French feel with many flags flying and cottages and streets with distinctly non-kiwi names. Freetime here before returning to Christchurch.

Overnight: Christchurch (B)

January 29 Day 8: Christchurch to Dunedin: Leaving Christchurch early, you will cross the vast Canterbury Plains as you head South, crossing many braided rivers that start their life as glacial melt water high in the Southern Alps. New Zealand's longest bridge at Rakaia crosses such an example. Pass through the towns of Timaru followed by Oamaru, most famous for its buildings constructed with the unique locally quarried white stone. Continue along the coast and into the city of Dunedin. Upon arrival in Dunedin we transfer to St. Patrick's Basilica. Here we hold Mass before transferring to our hotel for overnight.

Overnight: Dunedin (B)

January 30 Day 9: Dunedin to Queenstown: We spend this morning at Larnach Castle & Gardens before travelling to Queenstown. Our road will follow the South Islands longest river, the Clutha River. The Kawarau River carves a steep and rugged gorge through to Gibbston where some of the finest Pinot Noirs can be samples. We continue through Lake Hayes and arrive into the bustling alpine adventure town of Queenstown.

Overnight: Queenstown (B)

January 31 Day 10: Milford Sound Cruise: Today we drive along the shores of Lake Wakatipu and through the rolling countryside to Te Anau. After a mass at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Te Anau, we continue along the spectacular Milford Road. We take time for photo stops and short walks along the way. On reaching Milford Sound, we board a modern, spacious vessel for a leisurely cruise in the fjord. The cruise provides excellent viewing opportunities and plenty of time is available to enjoy the waterfalls, rainforests, mountains and wildlife of Milford Sound, including Mitre Peak and Pembroke Glacier.

Overnight: Queenstown (B)

February 1 Day II: Queenstown: Today we will take an in-depth exploration of the Wakatipu Basin. Travel to the Shotover Gorge, Skippers Canyon Saddle and the Wakatipu Basin lookout at Coronet Peak for spectacular views. Take a break in historic and charming Arrowtown for a tea or coffee at one of the great local cafes, then wander the streets as you learn about the gold mining history and the Chinese settlement in the area. Next along to view those dare devils who enjoy jumping off bridges with only a bungy to keep them safe. You will also visit Kawarau Gorge and one of the vineyards in the renowned Gibbston region. This evening we enjoy a quintessential Kiwi dinner onboard the TSS Earnslaw Steamship. Afterwards we will watch a sheepherding demonstration back on the farm before returning to our hotel for overnight.

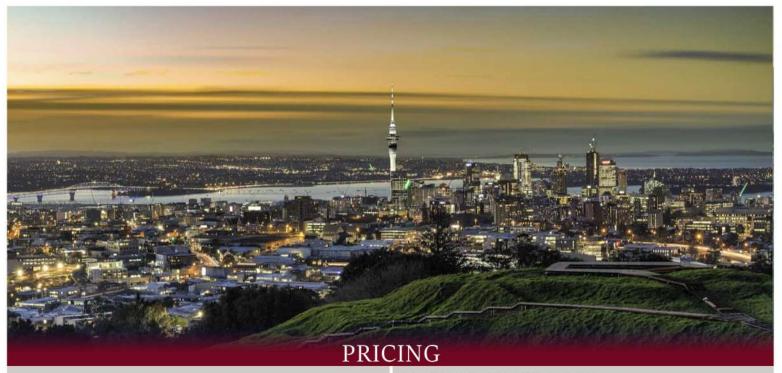
Overnight: Queenstown (B)

February 2 Day 12: Flights to Auckland: Today we board our flights to Auckland, upon arrival we transfer to our hotel for dinner and overnight. Overnight: Auckland (B)

February 3 Day 13: Auckland: Today we transfer to Hobbiton the Movie set from the popular franchise, The Lord of the Rings. On our drive there we go through lush farmland and dairy pastures of the Waikato Region. The Bombay Hills mark the outer boundary of the greater Auckland area. In Hobbiton we will be taken through Hobbit Holes, the Green Dragon Inn, The Mill and the Party Tree while our guide shares behind-the-scenes tales and insights into the making of the films.

Overnight: Auckland (B)

February 4 Day 14 Auckland: Return Flights Home: Today we board our return flights home with memories and keepsakes that will last a lifetime!



BASE PRICE PER PERSON

s6599.00*

Double occupancy with base airfare

*Discount cash/check price

OPTIONS

- For a single room*: add \$1300
- *Subject to availability
- Travel Insurance: add \$373
 - *Available only for travelers with primary residence in USA or Canada

FIRST PAYMENT \$500.00 DUE: NOW

SECOND PAYMENT \$1249.00 DUE: AUG 26, 2023

THIRD PAYMENT \$1000.00 DUE: OCT 24, 2023

FINAL PAYMENT REMAINING DUE: DEC 8, 2023

BASE PRICE INCLUDES:

- Roundtrip airfare from Los Angeles (LAX)
- Excursions per itinerary
- 11 Nights accommodation
- Meals per Itinerary
- · Professional Catholic tour guides
- · Spiritual director
- · Luxury Motorcoach

Tour Coordinator:

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Why Travel with Us?

The Holy Land Travel Center is a family-run business providing pilgrims with an unmatched religious group travel experience. Operated by a husband and wife team from the Qumsieh family, one of the oldest Christian families from the Bethlehem suburb Beit Sahour; the center offers a unique opportunity to be fully immersed in the Christian community of the Holy Land.

The tours are professionally organized to ensure that pilgrims receive the highest quality in travel and lodging. But we pride ourselves most on offering a personalized experience. From the first day you are treated like family, welcomed into the local Christian homes, offered stories of faith by residents, and unfettered access to holy sites.

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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: Deposit of \$500 per person is required upon registration along with a signed copy of the registration form on or before 90 days prior to departure. Registrations are processed in the order received by HLTC A second payment of \$1249 is required on or before 150 days prior to departure. A third payment of \$1000 is due 90 days prior to departure. Final payment is due 45 days prior to departure. Late payments are subject to \$50 late fee. HLTC reserves the right to cancel reservations whose payments are 30 days late and to apply applicable cancellation/penalties indicated below. No registrations can be made over the telephone.

INDIVIDUAL CANCELLATION FEES & REFUNDS: Upon cancellation of participation of tour by you, the registrant, for any reason, and only after HLTC receives your signed cancellation, HLTC will then refund your payment for services not received by you, minus applicable cancellation fees per person, according to the following schedule:

In addition to any cancellation fees specific to your tour, the following fees apply.

- 1) Minimum cancellation fee is \$500 from time of registration up to 120 days prior to the tour's departure date.
- 2) From 119 to 60 days prior to departure day, the cancellation fee is \$500 + 20% of total price.
- 3) From 59 days to 31 days prior to departure day, cancellation fee is \$500 + 50% of total price.
- 4) From 30 days prior to departure day onward, no refund is possible.

TRAVEL PROTECTION: Travel insurance is recommended to help protect you and your trip investment against the unexpected. For your convenience, we offer travel protection. If you do not wish to purchase now, the plan can be purchased any time before submitting your final payment. Coverage takes affect once payment is received. If you chose to purchase outside of the time sensitive period outlined in the plan, you will not be eligible for time sensitive benefits. All plan premiums are non-refundable. To view/download the plan, which provides the full coverage terms and details, including limitations and exclusion please visit our website: www.holylandtc.com/travel-protection/

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 to the account. Single rooms subject to availability and an additional cost indicated on the brochure.

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.

AIRLINE TICKETS AND ITINERARY LENGTH: Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class aboard carriers utilizing non-refundable, non-amenable tickets. Preliminary international flight schedules are available 60 days prior to departure and may change before they are finalized. Therefore, if you book

the domestic flight on your own, you will be responsible for changing your domestic flights and incurring any change fees that would be generated by this adjustment. We are not responsible for changes and delays in airline schedules and do not reimburse passengers for expenses resulting from such occurrences. Travelers making their own flight arrangements should not purchase non-refundable, non-changeable tickets. We cannot guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. If flight schedules change, we reserve the right to lengthen or shorten the itinerary accordingly, and if changes or flight schedules necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged at normal hotel rates. Land Only packages do not include airport-hotel transfers.

SEAT ASSIGNMENT: THERE IS NO ADVANCE SEAT SELECTION FOR TOUR DEPARTURES. HLTC cannot guarantee specific seats, which are at the discretion of the airline and are pending availability. When HLTC disperses travel packages, you will receive your record locator. You can use this locator to do online seating arrangements, if permitted by the airline.

BAGGAGE: Transatlantic and transpacific flights to and from the USA allow the passenger to bring one (1) checked bag, which may have a maximum weight of 50 lbs., and maximum combined dimensions of 62 inches. Also, one (1) "carry-on" with maximum dimensions of 8"x12"x20" is permitted. Luggage on domestic flights will cost extra. Luggage is the passenger's responsibility and that of the airlines. For lost luggage, the passenger is responsible for notifying the airline directly. Check with your carrier regarding carry-on luggage rules and regulations.

PRICES: All prices are based on exchange rates and fares applicable at time of quotation and based on minimum number of paying passengers stated in the brochure and are therefore subject to change if fares change (including fuel surcharges increase), if group does not reach minimum or if exchange rates fluctuate. Minimum number of paying passengers is 20.

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Note: While no changes are anticipated, there may be unforeseen occasions when certain alterations become necessary, either due to changes to the airline schedule, government regulations, travel restrictions, or any other reason. Holy Land Travel Center reserves the right to change the itinerary or name alternate dates due to such unforeseen circumstances or emergencies