# Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage

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# **TENTATIVE ITINERARY**

DAY 1, Monday

Depart JFK, late evening flight

## DAY 2, Tuesday

Arrive Tel Aviv – Ben Gurion Airport to TAL Hotel in Tel Aviv for one night

## DAY 3, Wednesday

Joppa (Joffa) Simon the Tanner's house, etc. Caesarea Maritima Aqueduct Mt. Carmel *Lunch* Tel Megiddo Mt. Tabor (Transfiguration) Arrive at Kibbutz Nof Ginosar, on the Sea of Galilee for two nights

## DAY 4, Thursday

The ancient boat museum at Nof Ginosar Boat ride across the Galilee Mount of the Beatitudes Chorazin Lunch (St. Peter's Fish) Tabgha Capernaum (Peter's house & synagogue) Yardenit (Jordan River, baptismal renewal) \$

# DAY 5, Friday

Migdal (Magdala) Cana (first miracle) Nazareth Church of the Synagogue Church of the Annunciation Workshop

#### Lunch

Beit She'an On to Jerusalem The Garden Tomb Jerusalem overlook and welcome Arrive at Dan Panorama Hotel in Jerusalem for the balance of the pilgrimage.

## DAY 6, Saturday

Mt. Zion Cenacle / Cenaculum (Upper Room) Tomb of David Dormition Abbey

Church of St. Peter Galicantu Ancient steps from upper city to Kidron Valley

Bethlehem Church of the Nativity *Lunch* Shepherds Fields

## DAY 7, Sunday

Group Worship Service at Station 7 on the Via Dolorosa (with Communion)

Personal / small group visit to the tomb area inside the Church of the Holy Sepulcher

Lunch on your own

Afternoon of exploration on your own in Jerusalem

Evening program at the hotel

# DAY 8, Monday

Enter the Old City via the Dung Gate Western Wall (Wailing Wall)

Temple Mount (Haram esh Sharif, *when available*) Dome of the Rock & al Aqsa Mosque

Stephen's Gate (Lion's Gate) St. Anne's Church & Bethesda Pools

Via Dolorosa (The Way of Sorrow):

- 1. Jesus is condemned
- 2. Jesus receives the cross
- 3. Jesus falls the  $1^{st}$  time
- 4. Jesus meets his mother
- 5. Simon of Cyrene assists Jesus
- 6. Veronica wipes the face of Jesus
- 7. Jesus falls the  $2^{nd}$  time (city gate)
- 8. Jesus speaks to the daughters of Jerusalem
- 9. Jesus falls the  $3^{rd}$  time

Inside The Church of the Holy Sepulcher:

10. Jesus is stripped
11. Jesus is nailed to the cross
12. Jesus dies
13. Jesus is removed from the cross (unction)
14. Jesus is laid in the tomb (Edicule/Aedicule)

Lunch in the old city

Jewish Quarter See the Cardo Walk through Armenian Quarter *The Garden Tomb (alternative)* 

A possibility that the Masons in the group may be able to meet some Masonic Brothers in the area.

# DAY 9, Tuesday

Dead Sea Massada

Lunch Qumran (Dead Sea Scrolls & Essenes) Dead Sea Swim / Float

# DAY 10, Wednesday

Israel Museum Model of the Jerusalem Shrine of the Book

Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial Lunch

Mt. of Olives Ascension Chapel Pater Noster Church (The Lord's Prayer) Palm Sunday Route Dominos Flevit Garden of Gethsemane (Ambo) & The Church of All Nations or Church of the Agony

Group Closing at Haas Promenade Overlook

Closing Dinner To Ben Gurion Airport for a late-night flight

# DAY 11, Thursday

Return to USA via JFK