

***“In the Footsteps of Jesus”
a Pilgrim’s Journey
for Sir Knights, Ladies,
Friends and Guests***

Sponsored by the Knights Templar
Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee of the
Grand Encampment Knights Templar
of the United States of America.

November 5 – 15, 2023

TENTATIVE ITINERARY

DAY 1

Depart JFK, late evening flight

DAY 2

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

DAY 3

Joppa (Joffa)

Simon the Tanner’s house, etc.

Dead Sea

Qumran (Dead Sea Scrolls & Essenes)

Ein Gedi,

Lunch

Masada

Arrive at Dead Sea Resort

Dead Sea Swim / Float

DAY 4

Beit She’an

Nazareth

Church of the Synagogue

Church of the Annunciation

Workshop

Cana (first miracle)

Arrive at Kibbutz Nof Ginosar,

on the Sea of Galilee for two nights

DAY 5

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)

Migdal (Magdala)

Yardenit (Jordan River, baptismal renewal) \$

DAY 6

Mt. Tabor (Transfiguration)

Tel Megiddo

Mt. Carmel

Lunch

Caesarea Maritima

Aqueduct

On to Jerusalem

The Garden Tomb

Jerusalem overlook and welcome

Arrive at Hotel in Jerusalem

for the balance of the pilgrimage.

DAY 7

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

Bethlehem

Shepherds Fields

Lunch

Church of the Nativity

DAY 8, if Sunday

Group visit to the tomb area
inside the Church of the Holy Sepulcher
join queue to enter the tomb

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

Lunch on your own

Afternoon of exploration on your own in
Jerusalem

Evening program at the hotel

DAY 9

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 1st time
4. Jesus meets his mother
5. Simon of Cyrene assists Jesus
6. Veronica wipes the face of Jesus
7. Jesus falls the 2nd time (city gate)
8. Jesus speaks to the daughters of Jerusalem
9. *Jesus falls the 3rd 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
Mt. Zion
Cenacle / Cenaculum (Upper Room)
Tomb of David
Dormition Abbey

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

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

DAY 10

Israel Museum
Model of the Jerusalem
Shrine of the Book

Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial
Lunch

Group Closing at Haas Promenade Overlook

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

DAY 11

Return to USA via JFK