



TEKTON MINISTRIES

Encounter Christ on a Catholic Pilgrimage



PILGRIMAGE TO THE CATHOLIC SHRINES OF
**WASHINGTON, DC &
BALTIMORE**

October 19th- 24th, 2018

with Fr. Gray Bean & St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish

PILGRIMAGE ITINERARY

● Day 1 –Oct. 19: Birmingham / Washington

This morning we will depart on our flight to Washington, DC. We will then drive to visit the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception which is the largest Roman Catholic Church in the United States and North America, and is one of the ten largest churches in the world. Designated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops as a National Sanctuary of Prayer and Pilgrimage, the Basilica is the nation's preeminent Marian shrine, dedicated to the patroness of the United States—the Blessed Virgin Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception. After a visit to the shrine and after celebrating Mass we will proceed to our local hotel for check-in.

● Day 2 – Oct. 20: Washington

This morning we will visit the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land which has been a place of worship and pilgrimage for thousands of visitors since its dedication in 1899. During our visit here we will celebrate Mass and visit the Monastery grounds including its Memorial Church and it's replicas of the major shrines in the Holy Land. We will also learn about the Franciscan Order and its historical mission of being the major Christian shrines in the Holy Land. After lunch at the Monastery we will enjoy an afternoon touring the National Monuments of Washington including the Lincoln Memorial, the Jefferson Memorial, the Washington Monument, the National mall, and the White House.

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception



The Capital

PILGRIMAGE PRICE: \$2,190.00

per person/double occupancy

For a single occupancy please add \$618.00

For land only, please subtract: \$323.00

These rates include:

- Roundtrip economy class airfare from Birmingham to Washington DCA on American Airlines
- 5 nights accommodations in Washington, DC in a four-star hotel
- All hotel taxes and service charges
- "Rise and Shine Breakfast" included daily at the hotel
- Comprehensive sightseeing with a licensed local guide/tour manager from arrival until departure
- All entrance fees as per itinerary (Mt. Vernon, Fort McHenry, Bible Museum are included. All other included sites are free.)
- Land transportation by deluxe motor coach
- Gratuity for the motor coach driver
- All parking fees and road tolls

These rates do not include:

- Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently \$48.99 per person, but subject to change until the time of ticketing)*
- Gratuities to guide/tour manager and hotel staff*
- Lunches, dinners, extras at hotels and any expenses of a personal nature

**added to your final invoice*

Departures from other airports available upon request.

Register online at:

www.tektonministries.org

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● Day 3 – Oct. 21: Washington

This morning we will begin with Mass. Then visit Arlington National Cemetery which is the final resting place for more than 14,000 veterans from the time of the Civil War to present. We will then proceed to Mt. Vernon which was the plantation home of the first President of the United States, George Washington. The afternoon is free to visit one of the museums.

● Day 4 – Oct. 22: Washington

This morning we will have a full day excursion in Baltimore - visit to the Inner Harbor and Fort McHenry which is best known for its role in the War of 1812, when it successfully defended Baltimore Harbor from an attack by the British navy. It was during the bombardment of the fort that Francis Scott Key was inspired to write "The Star-Spangled Banner," which would eventually become the national anthem of the United States. We will then proceed to the Baltimore Basilica where we will celebrate Mass which was the first Catholic Cathedral in the United States. Return to Washington, DC.

● Day 5 – Oct. 23: Washington

This morning after Mass, we will have a full day to explore the museums on your own. Use the day to visit the world famous Smithsonian Museums located on the National Mall. We will provide several choices for consideration - there are many fantastic options.

● Day 6 – Oct. 24: Washington / Birmingham

This morning we will visit the Holocaust Memorial Museum which is the United States' official memorial to the Jewish Holocaust of WWII. Adjacent to the National Mall in Washington, DC, the museum provides for the documentation, study, and interpretation of Holocaust history and is dedicated to helping leaders and citizens of the world confront hatred, prevent genocide, promote human dignity, and strengthen democracy. After lunch, visit the Bible Museum. In the evening, we will drive to the airport to catch our return flight home.





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Reservations and Payment: Tekton Ministries requires a deposit of \$300.00 per person at the time of booking. This deposit forms a part of your final payment which is due 75 days prior to departure. Reservations made within 74 days of departure must be accompanied by payment in full. Payments made by credit card will incur a convenience fee. Any reservations received within 45 days of departure will incur a late booking fee of \$100.00 per person. This pilgrimage is based upon a minimum of 21 total pilgrims. Surcharges may be assessed for a smaller group size.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be in writing. The following per person cancellation charges will apply in addition to any airline penalties and charges incurred by our suppliers: If canceled 91 days or more prior to departure, a \$75.00 administrative fee will be charged. If canceled 90 - 31 days prior to departure, \$175.00 will be charged. If canceled 30 - 15 days prior to departure, \$450.00 will be charged. If canceled 14 - 7 days prior to departure \$700.00 will be charged. No refunds will be made within 6 days of departure. In addition, once the airline tickets have been issued, 100% of the airfare is non-refundable unless you have been advised otherwise at the time of your booking.

Hotels: Accommodations are based on double occupancy rooms with private facilities. A limited number of single rooms are available at the supplement quoted and should be requested at the time of booking.

Air Transportation: Air travel is in economy class on American Airlines. Fares are based upon levels in effect at the time of printing and fares and flight schedules are subject to change without notice. Note that any ticketing changes made within 90 days of your departure date will incur airline penalties. A valid driver's license is needed.

Baggage: Each passenger is allowed one checked bag and one carry-on. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen baggage.

Travel Insurance: We strongly recommend that you purchase comprehensive travel insurance for your trip. Registration information will be provided upon receipt of your deposit.

Not Included: Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently 48.88 per person, but subject to change until the time of ticketing), gratuities to guide, and hotel staff, personal travel insurance, laundry, beverages and items not on the regular menu of included meals, excess baggage charges, optional sightseeing and expenses of a personal nature.

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