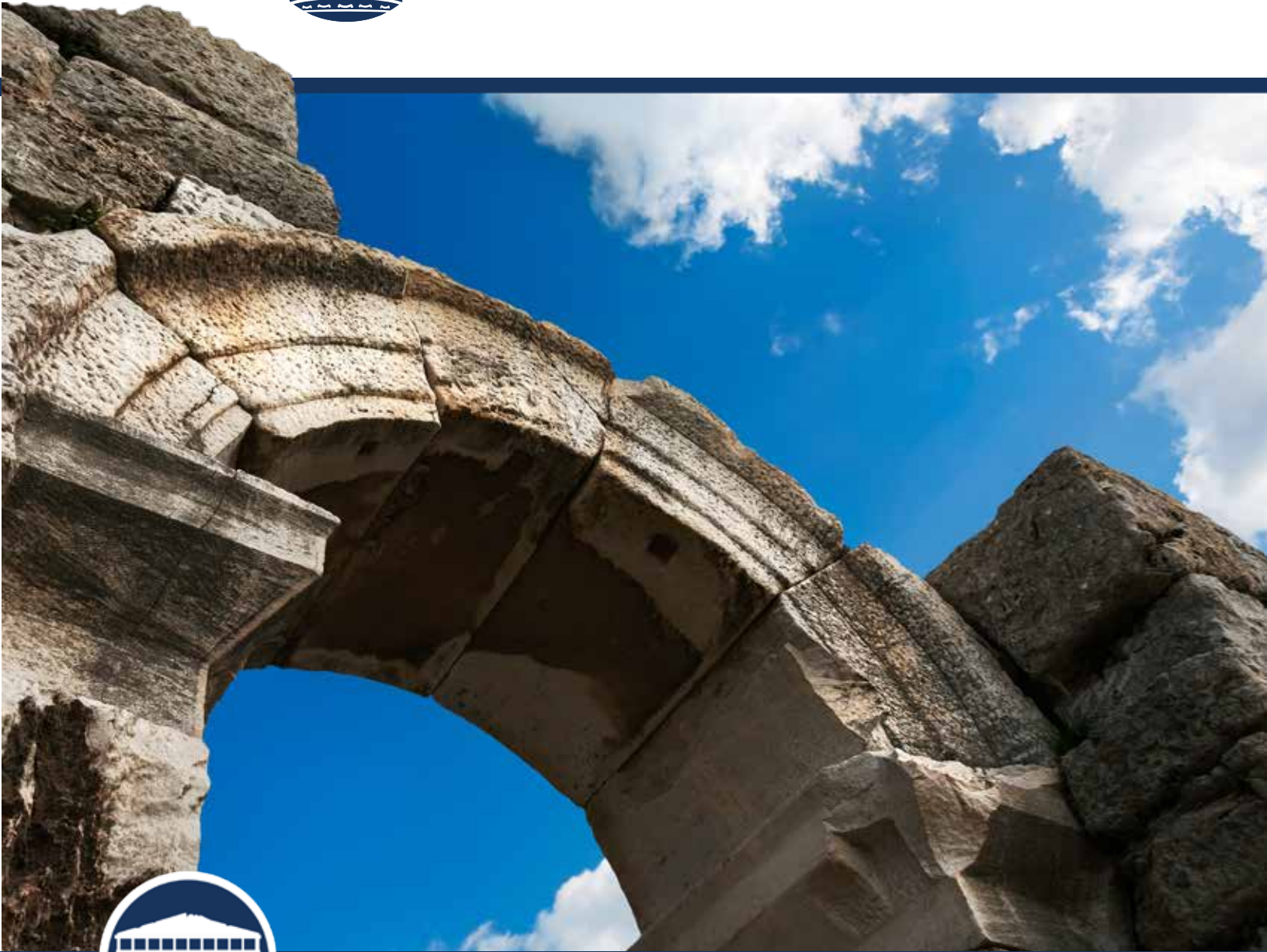




TEKTON MINISTRIES
Encounter Christ on a Catholic Pilgrimage



PILGRIMAGE TO
TURKEY & PATMOS

June 30th - July 4th, 2019

PILGRIMAGE ITINERARY

● Day 1 – June 30: Rome / Izmir

Depart Rome. Upon arrival in Izmir, visit the Church of St. Polycarp which is the oldest church in ancient Smyrna. St. Polycarp was the fourth Bishop of Smyrna and is known as one of first Christian martyrs. Dinner and overnight in Izmir. (D)

● Day 2 – July 1: Izmir / Ephesus/ Kusadasi

After breakfast we will check out from our hotel and drive to Ephesus to visit the site of the Temple of Artemis. St. Paul spent two years in Ephesus, and it was to this community that he wrote his Epistle to the Ephesians. St. Paul implored the Ephesians to cease their worship of Artemis and turn to Christianity. We will see the great theater where St. Paul addressed the crowds and visit the site of the scene of the riot from which St. Paul escaped. Visit the Temple of Diana, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. Next visit the Basilica of St. John, which was erected over his grave in the 6th century A.D. by Emperor Justinian. We will then proceed to the House of Virgin Mary on Mount Nightingale where we will celebrate Mass and spend the remainder of the day before driving to the colorful port city of Kusadasi for check-in at our hotel. (B/D)

● Day 3 – July 2: Kusadasi / Ephesus / Kusadasi

This morning we will return to Ephesus to visit the Church of the Virgin Mary and the tomb of St. Luke. We will then make another visit to the House of the Virgin Mary on Mount Nightingale where we will remain for the entire day. Dinner and overnight in Kusadasi. (B/D)

● Day 4 – Kusadasi / Patmos / Kusadasi

Today there will be an optional excursion to the Greek island of Patmos where St. John received the mystical Revelation which forms the last book of the New Testament. Depart Kusadasi early in the morning (around 6:00-6:30am) and cruise to Patmos by chartered boat. In Patmos visit the Grotto of St. John. Exiled from Ephesus in 95 AD, St. John the Theologian retired to a cave on Patmos, where he recorded his divine visions in the Book of Revelations. The chapel displays a stone that the saint used as his pillow. A small chapel marks the cave site. Continue to the Monastery of The Apocalypse. Founded in 1088, the monastery perches on a hillside above Chora. A single entrance leads through the 59 foot (18m) high walls. Your tour views the elaborate frescoes and visits the Christodoulos chapel. The monastery's old Treasury is today a museum displaying a stunning collection of jeweled chalices, crowns, crucifixes, vestments and manuscripts. Around 2:30pm depart from the island and cruise back to Kusadasi. (The Turkish guide will stay in Kusadasi and in Patmos a local Greek guide will assist your group.) (B/D)

● Day 5 – July 4: Kusadasi / Izmir / Rome

This morning we will check out from our hotel and drive to the airport in Izmir to catch our return flight to Rome. (B)



PILGRIMAGE PRICE: \$565.00

per person/double occupancy
For a single occupancy please add \$104.00

These rates include:

- Arrangements for daily Mass
- 4 nights accommodations
- All hotel taxes
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Comprehensive sightseeing with a local professional guide
- All entrance fees as per itinerary
- Land transportation by deluxe motor coach
- Arrival and departure transfers; group flights only
- Porterage of one piece of luggage at hotels

These rates do not include:

- Airfare
- Optional excursion to Patmos on Day 4
- Gratuities to guide, driver, and hotel/restaurant staff
- Lunches, drinks with meals, extras at hotels and any expenses of a personal nature

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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.

Travel Documents: A passport which is valid for 6 months past the date of your return flight home is required of all U. S. citizens. However, U.S. citizens do not require visas for Greece, however, Turkey requires a visa to enter. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please inquire online for visa requirements. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for individual visas or passports.

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: Airfare is not included.

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: Airfare, gratuities to guide, driver, and hotel staff, passport/visa fees, 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.

Refunds: Subject to the foregoing Cancellation Terms, upon cancellation of travel related services, all sums paid to Tekton Ministries/George's International Tours for such services will be promptly returned to the passenger, provided the passenger has not caused such cancellation and is not in violation of any of the terms and conditions previously, clearly and conspicuously disclosed and agreed to by the passenger. This refund provision does not apply where Tekton Ministries/George's International Tours has remitted the payment to another registered seller of travel or a carrier and they default in providing the agreed-upon transportation or service without providing a

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