2019 WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE

THE HOLY LAND

under the leadership of
The Rev'd Kevin Smith
Administrator of the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham
joined by
Fr Grant Naylor & Fr John Eldridge

14 - 21 November, 2019

View of the Sea of Galilee from the Mount of Beatitudes

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Dear Pilgrims,

Following the great success of previous Walsingham Holy Land Pilgrimages I have been asked by pilgrims to make a return visit.

As before we will follow in the footsteps of Jesus in Galilee and in Jerusalem. In Galilee we will visit Nazareth, Walsingham’s spiritual origins and the town in which Jesus grew up. We will also visit Capernaum, the fishing village which became the centre of His ministry, as well as other places associated with the events of the gospel. In Jerusalem, we will retrace Jesus' steps from Bethany to Gethsemane and along the Way of the Cross to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. We will visit Bethlehem as well as the Dead Sea and Qumran, the place where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered.

I hope many will want to join me on this unique spiritual journey following in the steps of our Lord, and support our Christian brothers and sisters in this troubled region. We will celebrate the Sacraments, pray together, and open up the Scriptures in the place where it happened.

Fr Kevin

Joined by

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**Day 1, Thursday 14 November**
**Journeying to the Holy Land**
We gather at Gatwick/Luton/Heathrow/Manchester Airports for our flight to Tel Aviv arriving in the early evening, where we will be met on arrival and transferred to our hotel on the shores of the Sea of Galilee, which will be our home for the next three nights.

**Day 2, Friday 15 November**
**Revelation and Annunciation**
We begin our pilgrimage with the celebration of the Eucharist on the shores of the Sea of Galilee, before driving to Nazareth, where the Gospel story begins. We will begin by visiting the Church of the Annunciation and then to the Synagogue Church, Mary’s Well and ‘Nazareth Village’ where you will see something of what it was like to live in Nazareth at the time of Christ. We then drive to the nearby village of Cana, the site of Jesus' first sign according to the Fourth Gospel. After a break for lunch we drive across the Jezreel Valley (the Biblical plains of Armageddon) to the foot of Mount Tabor and travel to the summit by taxi to visit the church associated with the Transfiguration. We will return to our hotel in time to freshen up and relax before our evening meal.

**Day 3, Saturday 16 November**
**Calling and Discipleship**
Today we visit the principal sites of Jesus' ministry around the home he made for himself by the Sea of Galilee. After a Eucharist on the Mount of Beatitudes overlooking the sites where Jesus lived and worked. We then return to the shores
of the lake where we shall remember the call of the first disciples, we will visit the excavated ruins of Capernaum, as well as sites associated with the Feeding of the 5000 and the re-commissioning of Peter. In addition we will have a chance to sail on the Sea itself in a modern replica of a first century fishing boat and visit the Museum and see a first century fishing boat rescued from the shore of Galilee (the ‘Jesus boat’). Return to our hotel for dinner.

Day 4, Sunday 17 November
An ancient pilgrimage route
This morning we bid farewell to the Galilee and begin our journey south, entering the northern part of the occupied West Bank by Jenin and drive to the city of Nablus in which is found Jacob's Well a site which Jesus himself visited on a journey to Jerusalem. We also visit St Philip’s Anglican Church and are welcomed by the parish priest and members of his congregation. From there we drive down to the Jordan River and to Qasr al Yehud, the site where John baptised Jesus where we too will have an opportunity to renew our baptismal vows. We then drive to the oasis city of Jericho, the City of Palms where we will break for lunch. Leaving the Jordan Valley we drive up through the hills of the Judean wilderness towards Jerusalem and will stop in the town of Bethany, the home of Jesus’ friends Mary, Martha and Lazarus. We then proceed around the separation wall and stop briefly on the summit of Mount Scopus for a breathtaking view of Jerusalem and the
Day 4 continued
Old City with its magnificent medieval walls before proceeding to St George's Cathedral for Evensong. Finally we make our way to our hotel situated within the Old City’s walls and check-in.

Day 5, Monday, 18 November
Incarnation & preparing for Passion
This morning after breakfast we drive to Bethlehem and spend the morning exploring the places associated with the birth of Jesus and get a sense of the lives of modern-day Christians in Bethlehem. During the course of the morning we will visit the Shepherds' Fields and the Church of the Nativity. We will also visit the St Vincent Orphanage/Creche, the only facility of its kind in the West Bank, offering Christian love and compassion to over forty abandoned babies and small children. After a break for lunch we drive to the Mount of Olives to recall the Palm Sunday route and visit places associated with particular events in the gospels as we slowly make our way downhill. We start at Bethphage, the traditional starting point of the procession of palms and in the course of our journey will visit the Churches of Pater Noster, where Jesus taught the disciples the Lord’s Prayer and Dominus Flevit, where he wept over the fate of the city. Finally, we reach the Garden of Gethsemane and the dark and brooding Church of All Nations, where we recall Jesus' agonized prayers prior to his arrest and reflect on the failure of his closest friends to keep awake and watch with him. Dinner and overnight stay in Jerusalem.

Day 6, Tuesday 19 November
"I do not know the man"
In the morning we journey south from Jerusalem to the ancient city of Hebron, the burial place of Abraham and the patriarchs, where we will also see the hideous complexity of occupation and division in clear focus in the centre of the city. Returning via Bethlehem for lunch, we will spend the afternoon exploring the holy sites located on Mount Zion where the earliest Christian community lived in the days following the resurrection. We begin by visiting the Room of the Last
Supper and the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu (the church of the cock-crowing), built over the House of Caiphas where we can see the prison cells where Jesus was probably held and outside we can see the recently unearthed pathway and steps that lead down to the Old City. We will celebrate the Eucharist here before visiting the striking Abbey in honour of the Dormition of the Virgin Mary. We end our day at the Israel Museum visiting the beautiful scaled model of Jerusalem based around the time of Jesus. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight stay.

Day 7, Wednesday 20 November

Taking up the Cross

After an early start we drive around to the Dung Gate and enter the Old City to visit the Western Wall, a section of King Solomon’s original Temple Area retaining wall, which is the holiest site in Judaism. If permitted we will ascend Mount Moriah to visit the Temple Mount where we can see close up (but not enter) the glorious Dome of the Rock and the Al Aqsa Mosque. This will lead us to the remarkable Church of St Anne and the Pools of Bethesda where we will celebrate the Eucharist and then wind our way through the narrow alleys of the Old City following the traditional Way of the Cross, culminating in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. After a break for lunch we drive down to the Dead Sea, the lowest point on the earth’s surface, to visit Qumran the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered by a Bedouin shepherd in 1947. Excavations uncovered the nearby Essene Monastery where the Scrolls may have originated. We will have an opportunity to bathe in the unique mineral laden waters of the Dead Sea before returning to Jerusalem in good time for dinner and overnight.

Day 8, Thursday 21 November

Emmaus - Journey home

This morning after a leisurely breakfast we drive to the village of Abu Ghosh, one of the sites associated with the village of Emmaus in the gospels where we will celebrate our final Eucharist in the Holy Land. After a break for lunch we will make our way to Tel Aviv’s Ben Gurion Airport and check-in for our return flight to London/Manchester. On landing we go our separate ways, ready to speak of all that we have seen and discovered in the Land of the Holy One.

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