



# Tekton Ministries

*"Serving God's people on their journey of faith"*

## *Pilgrimage to the* **CALIFORNIA MISSIONS**



St. Vincent de Paul Church, Seward, NE

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**October 1<sup>st</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

## ✧ PILGRIMAGE ITINERARY ✧



San Francisco

### ✧ Day 1 – Oct. 1: Arrive San Francisco

Depart from your home for our flight to scenic San Francisco. Upon arrival, transfer to our hotel with the remainder of the day free. Overnight in San Francisco.

### ✧ Day 2 – Oct. 2: San Francisco

This morning we will begin our pilgrimage with a visit to Mission Dolores which was founded in 1776 and is the sixth of 21 missions established by the Franciscans in California. After celebrating Mass at the Mission we will cross the Golden Gate Bridge and visit Muir Woods National Monument with its towering redwood trees. Then continue to the pristine



Mission San Juan Bautista

waterfront shops in Sausalito and board a ferry which will take us past the infamous island prison of Alcatraz as we cross San Francisco Bay. We will then visit Fisherman's Wharf, drive by Lombard Street - the crookedest street. Overnight in San Francisco.

### ✧ Day 3 – Oct. 3: San Francisco

After morning Mass at the beautiful Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption, this will be a free day to explore San Francisco on your own. Options include: Museums, Chinatown, Japanese Tea Garden, Union Square, tours on double decker buses, hop on and off the famous cable cars, and Golden Gate Park.

### ✧ Day 4 – Oct. 4: San Francisco / Monterey

This morning we will depart San Francisco and drive south to visit Mission San Juan Bautista which was founded in 1797 and is the largest of the missions and the only one still in service since its founding. Continue through the beautiful seaside resort town of Carmel to visit Mission San Carlos Borromeo del



Mission San Carlos Borromeo del Rio Carmelo

Rio Carmelo which was founded in 1770 where we will celebrate Mass. It is here we find the final resting place of Blessed Junipero Serra (soon to be canonized during Pope Francis' visit in September to the U.S.) Walk the Carmel Beach with its phenomenal view of "Point Lobos". Overnight in nearby Monterey.

### ✧ Day 5 – Oct. 5: Monterey / San Luis Obispo

Our morning begins with Mass at San Carlos Cathedral in Monterey. Drive south along the stunning California coastline to Big Sur which is a sparsely populated region of the Central Coast of California where the Santa Lucia Mountains rise abruptly from the Pacific Ocean. Continue



Mission Santa Barbara

on to San Simeon where we will visit Hearst Castle which was built for the newspaper magnate William Randolph Hearst. Then proceed for an evening Mass to Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa which was founded in 1772 and is popularly referred to as the "Prince of Missions". Overnight in San Luis Obispo.

### ✧ Day 6 – Oct. 6: San Luis Obispo / Santa Barbara

Depart San Luis Obispo this morning and continue our drive south along the California coastline to Mission La Purisma Concepcion de Maria Santisima which was founded in 1787 where we will celebrate Mass. We will then drive to the small town of Solvang which was founded in 1911 by a group of Danes who wanted to form a Danish Colony far from the harsh winters in the East. Here we will visit Mission Santa Ines which was founded in 1804. Then proceed to a local winery to sample some of the wine this region is famous for before driving on to the beautiful seaside town of Santa Barbara. Overnight in Santa Barbara.

### ☞ Day 7 – Oct. 7: Santa Barbara / Los Angeles

This morning we will visit Mission Santa Barbara which was founded in 1786 and is known as the “Queen of the Missions”. After Mass, depart Santa Barbara and drive south to Mission San Fernando Rey de España which was founded in 1797. Then continue on to Los Angeles, the “City of Angels”. Overnight in Los Angeles.

### ☞ Day 8 – Oct. 8: Los Angeles

This morning we will enjoy a tour of Los Angeles’ famous landmarks including the world famous Rodeo Drive in Beverly Hills, North Hollywood, Grauman’s Chinese Theatre, and the Avenue of the Stars. Celebrate Mass and



Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels

then visit the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. The remainder of the day will be free for individual activities.

### ☞ Day 9 – Oct. 9: Los Angeles

After morning Mass, this will be a free day to explore Los Angeles on your own. Options include: Universal Studios, Hollywood Forever Cemetery Tour, Philharmonic Orchestra, Getty Center, Runyun Canyon, Santa Monica Bay and Pier, Griffith Park, Museum of Art, Natural History Museum, UCLA, Grammy Museum, Hollywood Bowl, California Science Museum, Rodeo Drive Shops, and Disneyland.

### ☞ Day 10 – Oct. 10: Los Angeles / San Diego

Depart Los Angeles and drive south to visit Christ Cathedral (formerly known as Crystal Cathedral) in Orange County. Celebrate Mass and then onto Mission San Juan Capistrano which was founded in 1776 and is among the most beautiful of the missions. After Mass, visit the Mission and then explore the shops in the Los Rios Historic district which is the oldest neighborhood in California. Then continue on to Oceanside to visit Mission San Luis Rey which was founded in 1798 and is known as the “King of the Missions.” Continue south to San Diego for overnight.

### ☞ Day 11 – Oct. 11: San Diego

This morning we will visit the Junipero Serra Museum in Presidio Park. It was here in 1769 that Fr. Junípero Serra, with a group of soldiers led by Gaspar de Portolá, established Alta California’s first mission and presidio (fort). After Mass, continue on to Mission San Diego de Alcalá, the “Mother of the California Missions”. Next we are off to Balboa Park which houses a complex of museums as well as the world famous San Diego Zoo. The remainder of the afternoon will be free for personal activities. Overnight in San Diego.

### ☞ Day 12 – Oct. 12: San Diego

After morning Mass, this will be a free day to explore

- San Diego on your own. Options include: Wild Animal Park, SeaWorld, San Diego Zoo Safari Park, USS Midway Museum and Aircraft, Balboa Park, La Jolla, museums, Birch Aquarium, Harbor Cruise, and Coronado Island.

### ☞ Day 13 – Oct. 13: Depart San Diego

- Today marks the end of our California Missions pilgrimage as we transfer to the airport to depart on our return flight home.



Mission San Diego

### Pilgrimage Price: \$3,595.00

*per person/double occupancy*

*For a single occupancy please add \$1,112.00*

*For land only, please subtract: \$426.00*

#### These rates include:

- \* Roundtrip economy class airfare from Omaha
- \* 12 nights accommodation
- \* All hotel taxes and service charges
- \* Comprehensive sightseeing with licensed local guides
- \* Professional tour manager from arrival until departure
- \* All entrance fees as per itinerary
- \* Land transportation by private deluxe motorcoach as per itinerary
- \* Arrival and departure transfers for those flying with the group
- \* Arrangements for daily Mass

#### These rates do not include:

- \* Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently \$77.69 per person, but subject to change until the time of ticketing)
- \* Meals
- \* Extras at hotels and any expenses of a personal nature

*Departures from other airports available upon request.*

Register Online on our website:  
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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 surcharge. 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 22 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 charges incurred by our suppliers: If canceled 91 days or more prior to departure, a \$50.00 administrative fee will be charged. If canceled 90 - 31 days prior to departure, \$150.00 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 valid government-issued ID such as a drivers license or passport is required for airport travel. If you are not an American citizen, you will also require your visa or green card.

**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 Delta Airlines. Fares are based upon levels in effect at the time of printing and fares and flight schedules are subject to change without notice.

**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 (\$77.69 per person subject to change until the time of ticketing), gratuities, passport/visa fees, meals, personal travel insurance, laundry, beverages, excess baggage charges, optional sightseeing and expenses of a personal nature.

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