



# Tekton Ministries

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



*Pilgrimage to*

# Washington D.C.



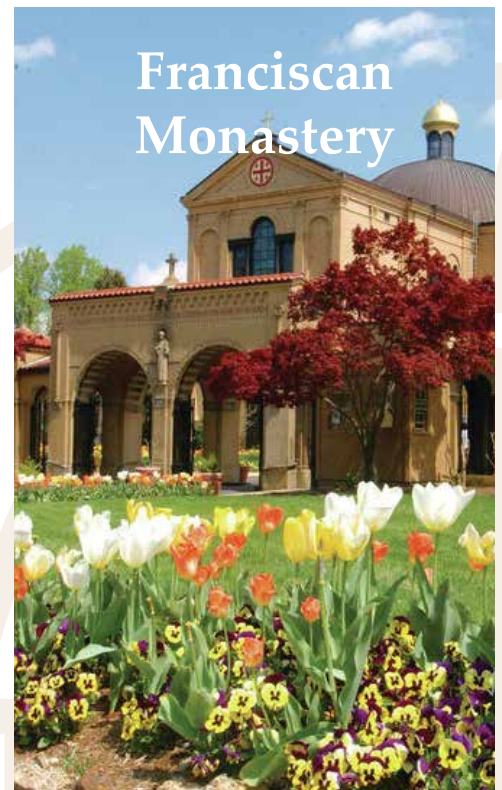
April 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017



Capitol Building



National Shrine



Franciscan Monastery

## PILGRIMAGE ITINERARY

### ☞ Day 1 – April 17: Arrive Washington

This morning we will depart on our flight to Washington DC. Upon arrival, 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 celebrating Mass, we will then spend the afternoon at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. The Shrine is a place of pilgrimage housing first-class relics of Saint John Paul II. From its conception, the Shrine was intended as a response to Saint John Paul II's, Pope Benedict XVI's and Pope Francis' call for a "new evangelization." The Shrine was designated a national shrine on March 14, 2014 by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Check-in to our local hotel.

### ☞ Day 2 – April 18: 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 replicas of the major shrines in the
- Holy Land. We will also learn about the Franciscan
- Order and its historical mission of being the
- caretakers of Christian shrines in the Holy Land.
- After lunch at the Monastery we will enjoy an
- afternoon visiting the National Monuments of
- Washington including the Lincoln Memorial, the
- Jefferson Memorial, the Washington Monument,
- the National Mall, and the White House. We will
- also enjoy a visit to Capitol Hill arranged through
- our local congressman (subject to availability).

### ☞ Day 3 – April 19: Washington / Emmitsburg / Baltimore / Washington

- This morning we will visit the National Shrine of
- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton located in Emmitsburg,
- Maryland, which pays tribute to the life and
- mission of Elizabeth Ann Seton, the first native-
- born citizen of the United States to be canonized
- by the Catholic Church. After Mass we will
- continue on to Baltimore for a 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



## Emmitsburg, MD



would eventually become the national anthem of the United States. We will then proceed to the Baltimore Basilica which was the first Catholic Cathedral in United States. After a Holy Hour, return to Washington DC.

### ☞ Day 4 – April 20: Washington

This morning we will 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 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, D.C., 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. You will have the balance of the day to visit the world famous Smithsonian Museums.

### ☞ Day 5 – April 21: Depart Washington

This morning you will have free to explore Washington on your own. After lunch, we will drive to the airport to catch our return flight home.

## Baltimore, MD



### Pilgrimage Price: \$1,590.00

*per person/double occupancy*

*For a single occupancy please add \$498.00*

*For land only, please subtract: \$366.00*

#### These rates include:

- \* Arrangements for daily Mass
- \* Roundtrip economy class airfare from Indianapolis to Washington DC on American Airlines
- \* Fuel surcharges for flights
- \* 4 nights' accommodation in Washington at the Hyatt Regency Washington Capitol Hill
- \* All hotel taxes (currently 14.5%, subject to change)
- \* Comprehensive sightseeing with licensed local guide/tour manager from arrival until departure
- \* All entrance fees as per itinerary
- \* Land transportation by private deluxe motor coach from arrival until departure (4 full days from Apr. 17-20 and one departure transfer on Apr. 21)
- \* Gratuity for the motor coach driver
- \* All parking fees and road tolls
- \* Breakfast daily

#### These rates do not include:

- \* Airline taxes (currently \$54.90 subject to change)
- \* Gratuities to guide/tour manager and hotel staff
- \* Comprehensive travel insurance
- \* Lunches, dinners, extras at hotels and any expenses of a personal nature

*Departures from other airports available upon request.*

*Register online at:*

**[www.tektonministries.org](http://www.tektonministries.org)**



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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 31 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 \$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.

**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.

**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 currently \$54.90 per person (subject to change until the time of ticketing), lunch and dinner, passport/visa fees, gratuities to guide/tour manager, 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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