

SAVE THE DATE! Deposit early to confirm your spot. We expect this pilgrimage to fill up quickly!



“2025” JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE!

Greece, Italy & Turkey

September 16-25, 2025

Rev. Anthony Chanan, Parochial Vicar, St. Ephrem, Brooklyn
Rev. Patrick J. West, Pastor, St. Sebastian Church, Woodside
Rev. John Francis, Pastor, St. Fidelis Church, College Point
Hosted by: Maria Gochuico



Athens ♦ Corinth ♦ 3 Night Aegean Island Cruise ♦ Rome ♦ San Giovanni Rotondo ♦ Santorini ♦ Crete ♦ Patmos



FEATURING:

- **Three day Greek Isle Cruise aboard first class ship to Ephesus, Patmos, Crete & Santorini!**
www.celestialcruises.com
- **Two Nights in Athens with a visit to Corinth where St. Paul lived and preached.**
- **Celebrate the Feast Day of St. Pio in San Giovanni Rotondo on September 23!**
- **Attend the Papal Audience with Our Holy Father Pope Francis on September 24!**



Visit Mary's House in Ephesus and learn about the life of the Apostle St. Paul.

\$4,750 to \$5,000 is the Estimated Cost Per Person sharing Twin from JFK

Final Price Flyer will be announced in November 2024.

Estimated Cost Includes:

- ♦ Round trip air from JFK & one way flight Athens to Bari or Naples
- ♦ 8 nights accommodations sharing twin bedded rooms with private bath (5 nights hotel & 3 nights aboard Celestyal Aegan Cruise)
- ♦ Breakfast & dinner daily (*includes festive restaurant dinner with music & entertainment in Athens Sep 18 & festive farewell restaurant dinner with wine on Rome Sep 24*); & full board (breakfast, lunch, dinner with drink package) & entertainment during 3 night cruise
- ♦ Comprehensive daily sightseeing with English speaking tour manager and local guides
- ♦ Shore excursions in Ephesus, Patmos, Crete & Santorini
- ♦ Deluxe motor coach as per itinerary
- ♦ Entrance fees to sites visited & whisper audio sets in Italy
- ♦ Daily liturgy schedule
- ♦ Hotel taxes & services
- ♦ Porterage of one bag per person
- ♦ Air taxes, fuel surcharges & carrier fees

Not Included:

- ♦ Items not specified
- ♦ Optional sightseeing
- ♦ Optional travel insurance
- ♦ Group gratuities (\$150 per person will be collected on final invoice)
- ♦ Items of a personal nature
- ♦ Passport fees and/or visa fees for non U.S. citizens if applicable
- ♦ Additional air taxes & fuel surcharges if imposed by airline prior to ticketing in July 2025
- ♦ ETIAS Travel Authorization (*European Travel Information and Authorization System*). Approx. cost is \$8 and must be applied for online be each traveler.

TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT FOR JUBILEE 2025 PILGRIMAGE:

Complete the booking form on reverse and submit with your deposit of \$250 + optional Arch RoamRight Travel Insurance payment due no later than June 21, 2024.

Deposit early to confirm your spot, this group will fill quickly! All checks payable to Far Away Tours.

A Second Deposit of \$250 will be due August 15, 2024. Balance for final payment will be advised when final price flyer is announced in October 2024. (Anticipated final payment due June 2025)

IMPORTANT: Please include a copy of your Passport valid through March 25, 2026 or beyond.

Arch RoamRight Travel Insurance based on estimated trip cost of \$4,750 to \$5,000.

Pro Plan - Age 50-59: add \$293; Age 60-69: \$397; Age 70-74: \$531; Age 75-79: \$695; Age 80-84: \$973
If purchased at time of deposit, coverage for pre-existing conditions are covered.

ANY QUESTIONS? Contact Maria Gochuico Tel: 718-445-9377 or 212-676-9070

Daily Itinerary

SEP 16/TUE – DEPART JFK TO ATHENS.

SEP 17/WED – ARRIVE ATHENS. On arrival, meet your guide and coach and transfer to your hotel in the ancient capital city of Athens. Enjoy a panoramic city tour and stop to celebrate Mass. Transfer by coach to your hotel for dinner and overnight. (D)

THE STANLEY HOTEL or similar www.thestanley.gr

SEP 18/THU – ATHENS (Corinth). Travel to Corinth where Paul wrote two epistles and where he lived and preached for two years. Explore ancient Corinth on a guided tour featuring the Agora, where Paul's trial by Gallio took place, and the Bema, where Paul was brought before the tribunal, as recorded in the Acts of the Apostles. Celebrate Mass. Return to Athens and visit the Acropolis. See the ruins of the Parthenon, Erechtheum, and Propylaea. See Hadrian's Arch and the Temple of Zeus. Ascend Mars Hill, where Saint Paul spoke to the Athenians about the one and only God. See the ancient Agora, the former public center of Athenian life. Return to Athens for dinner for a festive farewell dinner at Zafiros with music and entertainment. Overnight at hotel in Athens. (B,D)

SEP 19/FRI - ATHENS/PIRAEUS PORT/MYKONOS. Embark on a wonderful 3 night cruise to the Greek Islands and Turkey! Breakfast, lunch and dinner are served daily while on board. Mykonos, the whitewashed jewel of the Cyclades Islands, is your first stop. This charming, mountainous island is known for the hundreds of tiny chapels, whitewashed buildings and beautiful windmills. Don't miss Mykonos Town, where mazes of narrow streets link the whitewashed buildings and traditional life continues amidst the bustling activity. Enjoy free time to explore this island paradise. (B,L,D) www.celestial.com

SEP 20/SAT - KUSADASI/PATMOS. Visit the Turkish port of Kusadasi for an included excursion to the ruins of Ephesus, a UNESCO World Heritage site, where Paul the Apostle spent three years during his ministry and where its inhabitants were the recipients of Paul's famous epistle. Visit the House of Mary, where she is said to have spent her last days. A visit to the ruins includes the Agora, the great theater, and the stadium where chariot races took place and gladiatorial combats were held. It is said that Paul himself fought here against wild beasts. Continue your cruise to Patmos, the "Jerusalem of the Aegean." Visit the Monastery of St. John and the Cave of the Apocalypse where John the Evangelist, inspired by God, wrote the Book of Revelation during his exile. (B,L,D)

SEP 21/SUN - CRETE/SANTORINI. Arrive early this morning in Heraklion, Crete for another included excursion. Visit the famous Knossos Palace and learn about the legendary Minoan civilization. Visit the Hall of the Royal Guard and the Double Axes, and the King and Queen's chamber. Later, arrive on the fabled island of Santorini, known as the "Black Pearl of the Aegean." Visit the breathtaking Oia Village, perched on the caldera rim. Then, enjoy free time to visit the cliff-top village of Fira for one of the World's most breathtaking panoramas. (B,L,D)

SEP 22/MON - DISEMBARK CRUISE SHIP/ATHENS/FLIGHT TO BARI OR NAPLES/SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO. After an early morning disembarkation in Piraeus, transfer to nearby Kaisariani Monastery to celebrate Mass. Continue to Athens Airport for your flight to Bari or Naples. Arrive Bari (or Naples) and transfer by coach to San Giovanni Rotondo. Visit Santa Maria delle Grazie and take a guided tour of the Sanctuary of San Giovanni Rotondo. Visit the glass casket of St. Padre Pio and time permitting, the museum. Check-in to your hotel for dinner and overnight. (B,D) **MALUCRI RESORT SPA HOTEL or similar www.malucri.it**

SEP 23/TUE - SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO/ROME. Today we celebrate the Feast Day of St. Pio! Rise early for Mass at the Sanctuary, then travel to the nearby Grotto of St. Michael the Archangel. Enjoy breathtaking panoramic views of the Gargano Peninsula. Board your coach and continue on to Rome, the Eternal City. We will stop along the way for lunch on your own. Arrive to Rome and head straight to Vatican City so that we may walk through the Porta Sancta, the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica, open only during Jubilee Years. Check-in to your hotel in Rome for dinner and overnight. (B,D) **HOTEL DEGLI ARANCI or similar www.hoteldegliaranci.com**

SEP 24/WED - ROME. Rise early today to attend the Papal Audience with our Holy Father, Pope Francis! Enjoy some free time for lunch on your own, then transfer to St. Mary Major Basilica. We will also visit the nearby Church of Saint Alphonsus Liguori for Mass and to admire the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help which hangs above the main altar. In the evening, gather for a farewell dinner out at a local restaurant with wine included. Return to your hotel for overnight. (B,D)

SEP 25/THU – RETURN FLIGHT HOME. Transfer to Rome Airport for your return flight back to JFK.

B-Breakfast; L-Lunch; D-Dinner;

Sequence of Sightseeing Subject to Change

DAILY MASS CELEBRATED AT SELECT HOLY SITES

----- BOOKING FORM -----

Grp #2504: 2025 Jubilee Pilgrimage to Greece, Italy & Turkey; September 16-25, 2025 with Maria Gochuico.

Enclosed is my deposit of \$____ (\$250 per person + optional insurance payment) due no later than June 21, 2024.

Name: (Mr./Mrs./Ms) _____

Please PRINT your name as it appears on your passport.

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

TEL: Home _____ Mobile: _____

E Mail: _____

Your Date of Birth (month/day/year): ____/____/____

For Reservation/Deposit or questions please call:

Maria Gochuico

Tel: 718-445-9377 or 212-676-9070

Check payable to: Far Away Tours

Please send your deposit early! Motor coach seating will be assigned on a first come, first served basis.

___ Twin Room ___ Single Room (\$1,100 Supplement)

Sharing room with _____

GENERAL CONDITIONS

AIR TRANSPORTATION: Regularly scheduled economy class service on any IATA or ARC carrier.

TARIFF & EXCHANGE FLUCTUATIONS: Estimated tour price herein is quoted in U.S. dollars and are based on tariffs and exchange levels in effect May 2024. Rates are subject to adjustment in the event of any changes in these tariffs and exchange levels.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Rooms with two beds and private bath throughout.

DOCUMENTS: Carry valid U.S. passport valid through March 25, 2026 or beyond and another photo ID. Beginning in 2025, ETIAS Travel Authorization is required to enter Italy. Approx. cost is \$8 and must be applied for online by each traveler. Details will be announced in 2025.

CANCELLATIONS: Your \$250 initial deposit is refundable through June 21, 2024. A second payment of \$250 will be due in August 2024. In November 2024, a final price flyer will be made available which will detail second deposit and final payment due dates as well as cancellation terms.

Optional cancellation/travel protection insurance is highly recommended at time of deposit to protect your travel investment.

GROUP SIZE: Rates herein are based on a minimum of 32 passengers.

RESPONSIBILITY: The travel agent and the tour operator, Far Away Tours of Higganum, CT 06441, Tel: 860-740-0325, or their agents act(s) only as agent(s) in all matters connected with the making and securing of reservations for transportation, accommodations, tours and/or other arrangements and assumes no responsibility for liability in connection with the service of any train, vessel carriage, aircraft or other conveyance which is used, either wholly or in part, in the performance of its duty to the passengers; neither this travel agency nor any of its representatives shall be, or become liable for any act, error or omission, or for any injury, loss accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned by reason of any defect in any vehicle or through neglect or default of any company or person engaged in carrying out the purpose for which ticket or coupons have been issued. In the event that it becomes necessary or advisable, for any reason whatsoever, to alter the itinerary or arrangements, such alterations may be made. Additional expenses if any, shall be borne by the passengers; conversely, refund will be made to the passengers if any saving is effected thereby. Also, in the event that sufficient persons are not secured for a particular tour, we reserve the right to cancel said tour, and a refund of monies paid will release the company of any further obligation. All arrangements for accommodations, transportation and sightseeing are made by the tour operator and/or their agents. The passage contract in use by companies, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the companies and the purchase of these tours and/or passage by the airlines concerned and other transportation companies whose services are featured in these tours are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their conveyance.

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