

Another Joyful Catholic Journeys Exclusive!
Holy Land Retreat Pilgrimage
TO PRAY WHERE JESUS PRAYED

September 6 - 17, 2012 — 12 Days

\$3,942 from Oklahoma City

incl. RT flights OKC-Tel Aviv, current taxes, fuel surcharges*, 10 Dinners, 8 Lunches, 9 Breakfasts, Tips*

Travel Insurance is available and always recommended

***** Land Only price is \$2241.00**

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Thursday, Sept. 6 Day 1- Depart USA

Depart with prayers for a safe journey as we begin with an overnight transatlantic flight to Tel Aviv.

Friday, Sep 7 Day 2 – SEA OF GALILEE
"Walking with Jesus"

Group arrives at Ben Gurion airport, Tel Aviv. We are greeted by our English speaking guide and are transferred to Haifa.- We stop at **Stella Maris Shrine** where we celebrate Mass and continue to **Mt. of Beatitudes** for a well deserved rest. Check in to the Franciscan Guest house. Our retreat starts in this beautiful and peaceful spot where Our Lord preached the Sermon on the Mount. Mass will be celebrated daily. (Dinner)



Saturday, Sep 8 Day 3 NAZARETH – Afternoon retreat Mt. of Beatitudes

"The Sermon On the Mount"/"The Sermon In My Life"

In the morning we see **Cana** and visit the Wedding Church and **Nazareth**, one of the holiest towns in Christendom and see **Mary's Well** where the Angel Gabriel told Mary she will give birth to Our Lord Jesus Christ. See **St. Joseph's church** and the **Church of Annunciation**. Following lunch we return to the Mt. of Beatitudes for an afternoon of prayer and reflection. Overnight Mt. of Beatitudes. (B.L. D)

Sunday, Sept 9 Day 4 SEA OF GALILEE- Afternoon retreat Mt. of Beatitudes

"Miraculous Catch of Fish"/"Do You Love Me?"

In the morning we take a boat ride and time for worship on the **Sea of Galilee**. Then we explore **Capernaum** and see the new church built on **St. Peter's house** and

visit **Chorazim**. Proceed to **Tabgha**, Greek for Seven Springs and the **Church of the Multiplication of Fishes and Loaves**. Lunch of St. Peter's fish. The rest of your day will be spent meditating and tracing the steps of Jesus through the Galilee region. Overnight Mt. of Beatitudes. (B.L.D)

Monday, Sept. 10 Day 5 GOSPEL TRAIL & RETREAT MT. OF BEATITUDES

"Take No Walking Stick, No Sandals"/"Parable of the Sower"

This morning we walk part of **The Gospel Trail** which starts at the outskirts of Nazareth, the town of Jesus' youth, and winds some 62 kilometers (39 miles) until it reaches Capernaum on the shores of the Sea of Galilee where Jesus called his disciples to him. The trail starts at the Mount of Precipice, or Mount of the Leap, since that marks the spot where Jesus symbolically set out on his ministry. According to tradition, this is where a mob, angry that he claimed he was the Messiah, dragged Jesus to its cliff, his poor mother watching in horror. But before they could toss him off, he calmly "walked through the crowd" and leapt over the precipice. (Luke 4:28-31) Pope Benedict XVI visited the site in 2009. We will walk part of the route today. Overnight Mt. of Beatitudes. (B.L.D.)

Tuesday, Sept 11 Day 6 ON THE ROAD TO JERUSALEM "Unless a Grain of Wheat"/"The Samaritan Woman at the Well"

We visit **Caesarea Philippi**, the site of the apostle Peter's confession of Christ and reflect over Jesus' journey. Then we depart for Jerusalem through **Samaria** where we stop at **Jacob's Well**. Picnic lunch will be packed on this day. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B,L,D)

Wednesday, Sept 12 Day 7 BETHLEHEM - JERUSALEM

"Lilies of the Field"/"The Banquet-Christ's Gift to His People" Start the day visiting **Bethlehem**. See the **Church of Nativity** built over the birthplace of our Lord. We visit the **Convent of Blessed Mary of Jesus Crucified** for a talk and prayer in Bethlehem. On the way back to Jerusalem stop at the **Shepherd's Field and Grotto**. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B.L. D.)

Thursday, Sept 13 Day 8 JERUSALEM

"Treasure in the Field"/"The Wheat and the Tares" **Mt. of Olives**. The best view of the city will start with a short introduction, walk the **Palm Sunday Road to Gethsemane**, and visit **Dominus Flevit**, the place where Jesus wept over Jerusalem (Luke 19). Visit the **Church of All Nations** in the tranquil Garden of Gethsemane. Afternoon retreat. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B.L.D.)

Friday, Sept 14 Day 9 JERUSALEM

"Faith the Size of a Mustard Seed"/"The Prodigal Son" Descend across the **Kidron Valley**, to the **Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu** where the Apostle denied Christ three times. Continue on to **Mt. Zion**, to visit the room of the **Last Supper**, the **House of Caiaphas**, **King David's Tomb** and the **Church of the Dormition**. Here the Holy Mother fell into eternal sleep. Afternoon retreat. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B.L.D.)

Saturday, Sept 15 Day 10 JERUSALEM

Today we experience the serenity of the Judean wilderness. Travel to **Qumran**, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in a cave by a shepherd. Visit **Masada**, and then see the mineral rich waters of the **Dead Sea** and take a dip (don't forget your bathing suit). Tonight we have a farewell dinner at the Tent restaurant. Overnight Jerusalem. (B,L,D.)

Sunday, Sept 16 Day 11 JERUSALEM

We start the day with walking the **Via Dolorosa** to the **Church of the Holy Sepulcher** for Mass. We then visit the **Temple Mount**, view the **Dome of the Rock** and the **Golden Gate**, **Wailing Wall**, the **Pools of Bethesda** the place where Jesus healed the lame man (John 5), and **St. Anne** church. Following lunch we have a retreat. Some free time before **dinner with local Christian families**. After dinner, we depart for the airport for our overnight flight home. (B.D.)

Monday, Sept. 17 Day 12- arrival OKC afternoon

Hotels:

Sea of Galilee- *Mt. of Beatitudes Franciscan Convent*
Jerusalem: *Hotel Gloria, (Jaffa Gate, Old City)*

YOUR TOUR INCLUDES:

- Round trip airfare from Oklahoma City - Tel Aviv
- Airport tax and fuel surcharges (\$543.00 at time of the quote and subject to change based on fuel charges at time of ticketing)
- Accommodations as listed in above itinerary
- Buffet breakfast and dinner at the hotels
- 8 lunches including a packed lunch one day
- Private deluxe Air conditioned motorcoach
- Tour Escort RT Oklahoma City - -Tel Aviv
- English speaking Christian guide in Israel
- All admission charges
- Porterage for one suitcase per person included at all hotels
- Tips of \$132.00 for guides/drivers, waitstaff, porters
- Select International Tours Travel Portfolio
- Opportunity to attend daily Mass

Rates do not include:

- Personal expenses
- **Trip cancellation and medical insurance**
- Anything not mentioned in above inclusions
- Beverages at meals unless otherwise noted
- Excess baggage charges(www.delta.com)
- Suggested \$10 donation for each church where we have Mass, and a small gift for your Christian host family

PAYMENT and CANCELLATION TERMS

- **February 29, 2012:** Individual \$ 500.00 per person deposit due, along with copy of passport picture page only and trip cancellation insurance. **Save \$50 per person if we receive your deposit before Feb 15, 2012!**
- **March 31, 2012** Second \$500.00 payment due
- **June 02, 2012:** All payments become non-refundable. \$100.00 per seat cancellation penalty is assessed by the airlines.
- **July 01, 2012** Final payment is due. Invoices will be adjusted at this time for changes in fuel surcharges exchange rates if applicable.
- **July 25, 2012:** Tickets issued. Name changes are not permitted.
- **August 05, 2012 :** Documents mailed out

Special Dietary and Accessibility Considerations

Diet: Notice must be given at time of registration of any dietary needs incl. Diabetic, Gluten-Free, Vegetarian, Food Allergies. We will do our best, but participants must also take responsibility regarding their food intake.

Mobility: Participants **must** be able to walk unaided on dirt trails, over rough pavements, uphill and downhill, and ascend stairways which are often steep. Vehicles are not allowed in many areas, including the Old City of Jerusalem so there is much walking. Wear comfortable shoes!

TOTAL TOUR PRICE is based on airfare, cruise, land rates and rates of exchange in effect Dec. 19, 2011. All rates subject to change without prior notice. Should the rates rise or fall, an adjustment would be made prior to departure. No refunds for any accommodations, services, or events not used. If fewer than 30 pilgrims participate, a price adjustment may be necessary. **Current airport taxes and fuel surcharges of \$543.00 are included and are subject to change until time of ticketing. Tips of \$132 to hotel/restaurant staff /drivers/tour guide are included.** Air is roundtrip Oklahoma City to Tel Aviv.

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LAND ARRANGEMENTS: The tour operator reserves the right to change the itinerary due to unforeseen emergencies.

HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS: Retreat accommodations are in a convent guesthouse and a 3* hotel based on double occupancy with private bath. **Single Room supplement of \$595.00** will be charged where requested and if available. If you do not have a roommate and we are unable to arrange one, you will be billed for the single room supplement.

MEALS: Open Buffet Breakfast and Open Buffet Dinners are provided daily except as otherwise noted in the itinerary

NOT INCLUDED: Beverages with meals, personal expenses such as laundry, wines, liquors, medical insurance or medical expenses; visa fees for non-US passport holders; excess baggage or airline baggage charges; trip interruption expenses; anything not mentioned in the itinerary. **RECOMMENDED:** A church collection fund of \$10 per person where we have Masses and a small gift for your host family.

DEVIATIONS: Deviations from the group are permitted on return with a \$150.00 deviation charge plus any charges the airlines may have.

TOUR CANCELLATION POLICY: Up to 90 days prior to departure a reservation fee of \$150.00 is withheld. Within 90 days of departure all payments are nonrefundable regardless of reason for cancellations. All cancellations must be in writing. Unused portions of the trip are not refundable.

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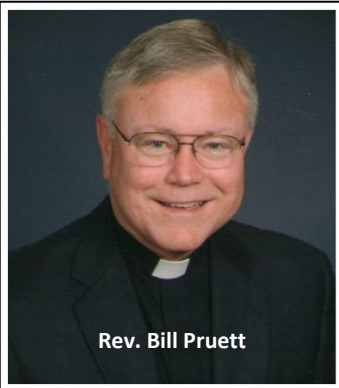
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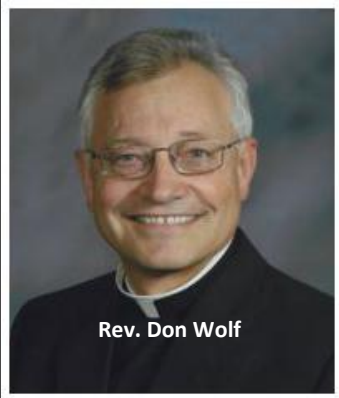
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We Hope You Will Join Us for this Spiritually Renewing Holy Land Retreat!



Rev. Bill Pruett

Reverend Bill Pruett was ordained to the priesthood on May 18, 1979, at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Oklahoma City. He has served as pastor of several parishes, and currently is pastor of St. James the Greater Catholic Parish, Oklahoma City. Since ordination to the priesthood, he has directed retreats and days of recollection throughout the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City and beyond. He is in demand as a keynote speaker at meetings and conferences, and has written about the spiritual life, especially in *"The Priest"* Magazine. He has directed parish missions in the Diocese of Dallas and has directed priest retreats in Pensacola, Florida. Father Pruett has read widely in history, literature, theology and especially in Catholic spirituality. Father received the Master of Arts from Oklahoma University; Master of Divinity from St. Meinrad School of Theology; and a degree in canon law from the Catholic University of America. He has traveled widely and particularly enjoys travel in the Holy Land.



Rev. Don Wolf

Oklahoma native **Reverend Don Wolf** earned his BA in Philosophy and a Master's of Divinity degree from St. Meinrad College. He was ordained to the priesthood for the Oklahoma City Archdiocese in 1981. He received his Doctor of Ministry degree in preaching from Seabury-Western School of Theology in 2003. Fr. Wolf was associate pastor in Guymon and Enid and pastor of a number of parishes throughout the archdiocese, including Assumption Parish and missions in the Duncan area, before beginning as pastor of St. Benedict's in Shawnee in 2008. His pastoral work has included serving on the Archdiocesan Vocations' Board, the Board of Directors of Catholic Charities, Spiritual Moderator of the Cursillo Movement and as Vicar of Hispanic Ministry. He founded, produced and hosted the weekly radio program *La Voz Católica*. Fr. Wolf served on the National Board of the National Federation of Priests' Councils from 1989 to 1995 and in 1996 was elected national president and served in that office in Chicago from 1997 to 2000. Currently, Fr. Wolf serves as Chairman of the Board of St. Gregory's University and is a member of the Archdiocesan Council of Priests. He has offered priests retreats to a number of dioceses and continues as a spiritual director in the Cursillo Movement and the ACTS retreats.

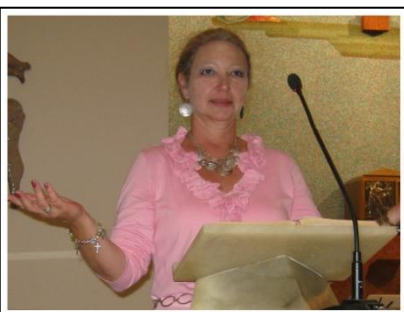
Jerusalem native **George Stephan** was born on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception to a Roman Catholic and Greek Orthodox family in the Old City of Jerusalem. He attended the LaSalle Christian Brothers College at New Gate, and earned his Diploma in Travel Agency Management from Bethlehem University. He has lived his entire life among the places where the Lord walked and preached, and daily walked the same streets that witnessed our Lord's sufferings, death, and resurrection. As a child, George was well aware of the contradictive atmosphere of Jerusalem where multiple religions and their various denominations and sects abound:

"Sometimes I used to sneak to the Protestant church next door to our home, just a step away. All these circumstances made me interested in differences of people, religious, and denominations."

George deeply pursued studies in history, archaeology, and theology. Of the more than 9,000 licensed guides in Israel, George stands apart as one of the few truly great Christian guides. His degrees in tourism, archaeology, history, and theology combine with a warm personality and gentle humor enabling him to pass the Good News to pilgrims visiting the Holy Land in a way that inspires, touches their hearts, and immerses them in the pilgrimage experience. He is fluent in Arabic, Hebrew, Greek, French, and English.



Tour Escort **Melani Roewe** was born into a US military family often stationed overseas and naturally enjoys interacting with people of



all cultures. Born Methodist and reared Lutheran, she entered the Catholic church in 1986. A Catholic educator for 16 years, Melani has presented workshops and seminars for the Diocese of Dallas, the Southwest Liturgical Conference Study Week, and the National Catholic Educators Association's national conventions on *Children and the Liturgy* and *Music and Youth in Catholic Worship*, and was a charter member of the Responsible for Music Ministry subcommittee of the National Pastoral Musicians Association. She holds a Masters in Education and is a Certified International Tour Manager from the International Guide Academy. Aside from arranging Catholic pilgrimages, she is Co-Director of Music Ministry and Choir Director for St. Monica Catholic parish in Edmond, OK where she has held every office on the parish Liturgy Committee and is the founder of an ecumenical youth summer music camp which is now in its 17th year. She has directed the Archdiocesan Youth Chorale and directed backup vocals for John Michael Talbot. She speaks French, Spanish and is currently

studying Arabic. She has experienced life in 22 countries and 48 states. This will be her third *Joyful Catholic Journey* escorting a group pilgrimage to Israel.



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First/Middle Name: _____ (as it appears on passport)
 Last Name: _____ (as it appears on passport)
 Name Tag Nickname: _____
 Male: _____ Female: _____
 Street Address: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ Zip Code: _____
 Home Number: _____ Cell _____
 Email Address: _____

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First/Middle Name: _____ (as it appears on passport)
 Last Name: _____ (as it appears on passport)
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 Street Address: _____
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