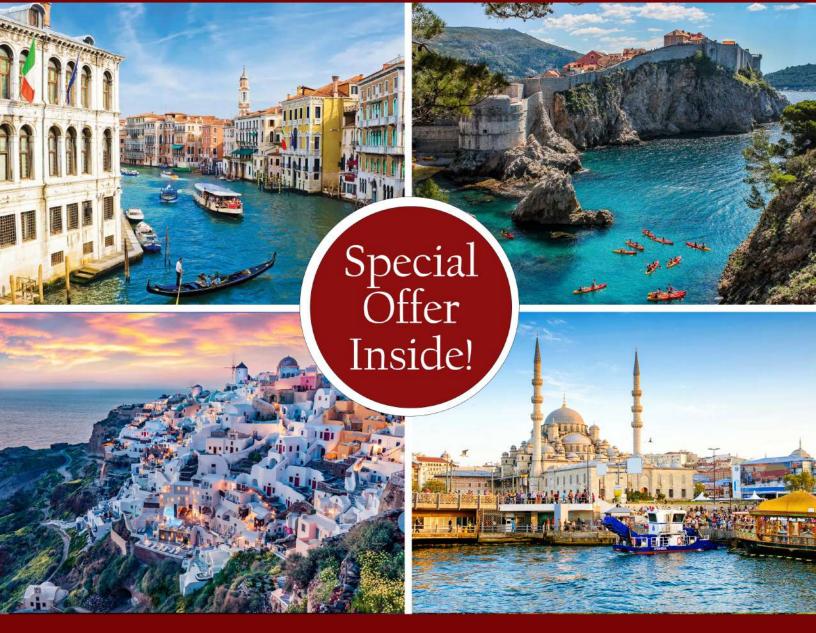
Join Fr. Jay Nuthulapati on a Pilgrimage Cruise to

# Italy, Greece, Croatia & Turkey

Venice - Zadar - Dubrovnik - Santorini - Mykonos - Ephesus - Istanbul



October 13-26, 2025



Starting from \$5299 Per Person

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#### Day by Day Itinerary

October 13 Day 1: Depart USA: Today we board our flights to Italy with beverages and snacks served aloft.

October 14 Day 2: Arrive Venice: Upon arrival in Venice, we transfer to our hotel near Venice for overnight. Overnight: Venice Area (Mestre

October 15 Day 3: Venice: St. Mark's Square/Embark Cruise: After breakfast, we take our private boat to San Marco's Square and explore Venice, nicknamed "la Serenissima." We begin with a guided walking tour of St. Mark's Square, one of the largest open spaces in Venice. We visit two of its landmark buildings, the Basilica of San Marco and the Bridge of Sighs. Afterwards, we transfer to the cruise port to embark on our cruise.

Overnight: Cruise Ship (Mestre) (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 16 Day 4: Koper, Slovenia: Your journey commences with a visit to the remarkable Predjama Castle, an architectural marvel perched on a 123-meter-high cliff. Spend time exploring its medieval grandeur and learning about the legendary knight Erazem of Predjama. From there, venture to the renowned Postojna Cave, where an exhilarating ride on an electric train transports you into a subterranean wonderland. Marvel at the intricate network of tunnels, passages, and chambers, and encounter the mysterious proteus, also known as the "human fish." This karst marvel has captivated millions of visitors over the centuries with its awe-inspiring beauty and natural wonders.

Overnight: Cruise Ship (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 17 Day 5: Zadar, Croatia: Experience the unique charm of Zadar, where old-world traditions and modern life harmoniously blend, on this engaging shore excursion. Begin your journey through the picturesque streets of Zadar's historic center, uncovering its rich Neolithic origins and diverse architectural influences. Marvel at the eclectic mix of restored cafés, bars, museums, and churches. Your walking tour starts in the heart of the magnificent Old Town, featuring a visit to the Cathedral of St. Anastasia, the finest example of Romanesque architecture in Zadar. Pass by the Church of St. Donatus, a remarkable 9th-century structure built on Roman foundations and admire St. Mary's Church with its 12th-century Romanesque belltower. Conclude your tour with free time to explore further, shop for souvenirs, or relax at a local café, soaking in the delightful ambiance of this Adriatic gem.

Overnight: Cruise Ship (Breakfast, Dinner)

**October 18 Day 6: Kotor, Montenegro:** Set sail on a captivating boat excursion through the scenic Boka Bay, visiting the historic Our Lady of the Rocks and the enchanting Blue Cave. Cruise along the Verige Straits and the Herceg Novi Riviera, soaking in the picturesque coastal views. Delve into the region's history as you explore hidden caves once used to conceal submarines. This immersive tour offers a perfect blend of natural beauty and historical intrigue, promising an unforgettable day in the heart of Montenegro.

Overnight: Cruise Ship (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 19 Day 7: Dubrovnik, Croatia: Embark on an enchanting journey along the Bay of Dubrovnik River, passing by Renaissance summer estates and Dubrovnik Old Town. Ascend the slopes of Srdj Mountain for panoramic views extending to Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro. Continue your exploration in Cavtat, where you'll enjoy a leisurely stroll and visit Our Lady of the Snow Church, adorned with exquisite Renaissance paintings. Your day concludes with a guided walking tour of Dubrovnik's Old Town, offering insights into its rich history and iconic landmarks before free time for personal exploration. Overnight: Cruise Ship (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 20 Day 8: Corfu, Greece: Embark on a journey through Corfu's enchanting landmarks, colorful villages, and breathtaking vistas. Begin with a visit to the picturesque Paleokastritsa, renowned for its splendid bays and panoramic views. Explore the Monastery of the Virgin, steeped in history and surrounded by serene landscapes. Continue your

exploration in the Old Town of Corfu, where you'll admire the architecture of Byzantine churches, the old fortress, and the lively Esplanade Square. This delightful tour promises a day filled with cultural immersion and scenic beauty.

Overnight: Cruise Ship (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 21 Day 9: Santorini: Embark on a memorable half-day shore excursion for cruise ship passengers, starting from Athinios Port in Santorini. Disembark with ease and meet your local guide by the cable car exit in Fira. Begin your journey in Firostefani, marveling at stunning views of the Aegean Sea and the iconic blue dome. Next, visit Oia, famous for its scenic vistas and vibrant market, perfect for photos and souvenirs. Ascend to Prophet Ilias for panoramic views and a visit to the historic monastery (seasonal availability). Continue to Megalochori to admire its traditional architecture, then unwind at Perivolos Beach, known for its unique black sand. End the day with free time to dine and shop for souvenirs, making your Santorini adventure unforgettable.

Overnight: Cruise Ship (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 22 Day 10: Mykonos: Discover the enchanting beauty of Mykonos on this captivating half-day shore excursion. Begin your journey by exploring the island's stunning mountainous landscape, dotted with approximately 400 charming churches. Marvel at the iconic white houses and the famous windmills that define Mykonos' picturesque scenery. Immerse yourself in the unique blend of Byzantine and Western architecture that gives the island its distinctive character. Visit the Church of Panagia Paraportiani, a striking landmark on the main square, and admire the old Catholic Church nearby. Stroll through the tiny, paved streets lined with vibrant boutiques and inviting taverns, offering an authentic taste of Mykonos' local culture. Conclude your adventure by returning to the ship, leaving you with unforgettable memories of this idyllic island.

Overnight: Cruise Ship (Breakfast, Dinner)

**October 23 Day 11: Kusadasi:** This morning you will arrive at the Turkish port city of Kusadasi. From here you will travel to Ephesus, where the Blessed Virgin Mary lived with St. John in a small house on the hill behind the city. Here you will have Mass before traveling down to the ancient city where you can walk the marble roads rutted by wheels of countless chariots and pass the ruins of architectural masterpieces. It is here that St. Paul preached to the Ephesians, and where he was arrested and cast out of the city.

Overnight: Cruise Ship (Breakfast, Dinner)

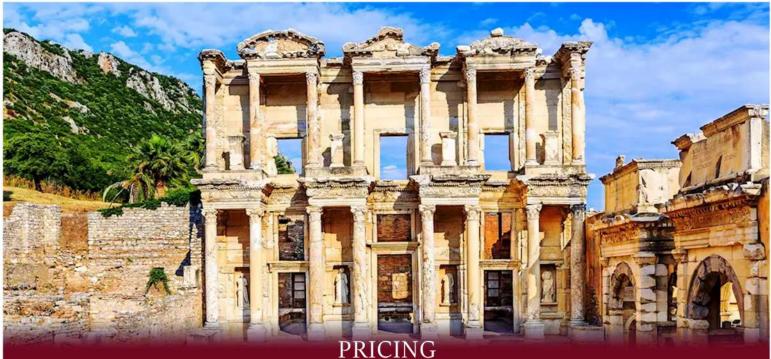
October 24 Day 12: Disembark Istanbul: We disembark in Istanbul today and visit the Grand Bazaar. The Grand Bazaar is an amazing place - literally a maze of streets. It is one of the largest undercover bazaars in the world and is even divided into areas like the leather section or the rug section. Overnight: Istanbul (Breakfast)

October 25 Day 13: Istanbul: Sultanahmet, Topkapi Palace, St. Sofia, Hippodrome: This morning we head to the Sultanahmet district. This World Heritage-listed district is crammed with historic buildings and atmosphere to keep you enthralled for days. Full-day visits to the Topkapi Palace; overlooking the Sea of Marmara and containing numerous chambers, courtyards, and royal treasures; the Sultan Ahmed (Blue) Mosque, with its six minarets and thousands of blue tiles; and the historic Hagia Sophia, now a museum, converted to a mosque from a Christian Basilica after the fall of Constantinople in 1453. Next, we see the Hippodrome and the Obelisk brought from Egypt.

Overnight: Istanbul (Breakfast)

**October 26 Day 14: Return Flights Home**: Today we board our return flights home with memories and keepsakes that will last a lifetime.

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## BASE PRICE PER PERSON

\$5299.00\*

Double occupancy with base airfare \*Discount cash/check price

#### **OPTIONS**

- For a single room (Inside Cabin)\*: add \$1899 \*Subject to availability
- Travel Insurance: Travelex
- Visit www.HolyLandTC.com/Travel-Protection

\*Available only for travelers with primary residence in USA or Canada

FIRST PAYMENT	\$500.00	DUE:	NOW		
SECOND PAYMENT	\$1249.00	DUE:	MAY	16,	2025
THIRD PAYMENT	\$1000.00	DUE:	JULY	15,	2025
FINAL PAYMENT	REMAINING	DUE:	AUG	29,	2025

#### **BASE PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Roundtrip airfare from San Francisco (SFO) or ORD
- Excursions per itinerary
- 12 Nights accommodation
- 9-Night Mediterranean Cruise
- Meals per Itinerary
- Professional Catholic tour guides
- Spiritual director

### SPECIAL OFFER

Sign up by December 31, 2024 for a discount of \$300 off or Cabin Upgrade to Oceanview!

## Why Travel with Us?

The Holy Land Travel Center is a family-run business providing pilgrims with an unmatched religious group travel experience. Operated by a husband and wife team from the Qumsieh family, one of the oldest Christian families from the Bethlehem suburb Beit Sahour; the center offers a unique opportunity to be fully immersed in the Christian community of the Holy Land.

The tours are professionally organized to ensure that pilgrims receive the highest quality in travel and lodging. But we pride ourselves most on offering a personalized experience. From the first day you are treated like family, welcomed into the local Christian homes, offered stories of faith by residents, and unfettered access to holy sites.

#### Terms & Conditions

By making any payments (cash, credit card or otherwise) towards any tour constitutes your unconditional acceptance of all the terms and conditions stated in this brochure. Holy Land Travel Center shall be referred to as HLTC within this document.

DOCUMENTS: US citizens require a valid passport. Other nationalities please inquire with the appropriate embassies.

REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT: Deposit of \$500 per person is required upon registration along with a signed copy of the registration form. Registrations are processed in the order received by HLTC Final payment is due 45 days prior to departure. Late payments are subject to a \$50 late fee per week past the due date. HLTC reserves the right to cancel reservations whose payments are 30 days late and to apply applicable cancellation/penalties indicated below. No registrations can be made over the telephone.

INDIVIDUAL CANCELLATION FEES & REFUNDS: Upon cancellation of participation of tour by you, the registrant, for any reason, and only after HLTC receives your written cancellation via email used to register or by US mail., HLTC will then refund your payment for services not received by you, minus applicable cancellation fees per person, according to the following schedule:

- Minimum cancellation fee is \$500 from time of registration up to 120 days prior to the tour's departure date.
- From 119 to 60 days prior to departure day, the cancellation fee is \$500 + 20% of total price.
- 3) From 59 days to 31 days prior to departure day, cancellation fee is \$500 + 50% of total price.
- 4) From 30 days prior to departure day onward, no refund is possible.

PAYMENT: Advertised price is the cash/check discounted price. If paying with a card a processing fee will apply.

BOUNCED CHECKS: Bounced checks will incur a \$25 administrative fee.

DISPUTED PAYMENTS: In the event of a disputed payment for reasons other than a fraudulent charge, the administrative fees associated with a dispute will be invoiced to your account and either deducted from your refund or invoiced to you. These fees are subject to change due to payment processors rules and regulations.

TRAVEL PROTECTION: Travel insurance is recommended to help protect you and your trip investment against the unexpected. For your convenience, we offer travel protection. If you do not wish to purchase now, the plan can be purchased any time before submitting your final payment. Coverage takes effect once payment is received. If you chose to purchase outside of the time sensitive period outlined in the plan, you will not be eligible for time sensitive benefits. All plan premiums are non-refundable. To view/download and purchase the plan, which provides the full coverage terms and details, including limitations and exclusion please visit our website: www.holylandtc.com/travel-protection/

MEDICAL CONDITION: We endeavor to provide the highest level of service to all our passengers. Participants who require special assistance must be accompanied by a qualified helper who assumes total responsibility for the participants' well-being. This pilgrimage demands a lot of walking and can be strenuous. HLTC is not responsible for any medical conditions that occur prior to, during, or after the tour.

LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSFERS: By private deluxe motor coach.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Tour prices are per person, based on two persons sharing double or twinbedded rooms with a private bathroom with tub or shower. In the event that one does not sign up with a roommate and is not able to be paired with another traveler, there will be a single supplement charge to the account. Single rooms subject to availability and an additional cost indicated on the brochure. Accommodations are subject to change due to upgrade, size of group, etc.

MOBILE APP: Final pilgrimage details will be available through an app before departure. Please be aware that the information on the app is regularly updated and subject to change. HLTC (Holy Land Travel Company) holds no liability for errors or discrepancies in the app's content.

MEALS: Meals in accordance with the itinerary. All beverages are extra.

TIPPING: Unless it is specified in the tour brochure, the price of the tour does not include tips and gratuities. Tipping is recommended to the tour guide and motor coach driver approximately \$6 and \$4 per person, respectively, per day to each: Hotel tips are approximately \$2 per day per person. Tips may be pre-collected before the pilgrimage for your convenience.

AIRLINE TICKETS AND ITINERARY LENGTH: Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class aboard carriers utilizing non-refundable, non-amenable tickets. Preliminary international flight schedules are available 60 days prior to departure and may change before they are finalized. Therefore, if you book the domestic flight on your own, you will be responsible for changing your domestic flights and incurring any change fees that would be generated by this adjustment. We are not responsible for changes and delays in airline schedules and do not reimburse passengers for expenses resulting from such occurrences. Travelers making their own flight arrangements should not purchase non-refundable, non-changeable tickets. We cannot guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. If flight schedules change, we reserve the right to lengthen or shorten the tilnerary accordingly, and if changes or flight schedules necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged at normal hotel rates. Land Only packages do not include airport-hotel transfers. SEAT ASSIGNMENT: THERE IS NO ADVANCE SEAT SELECTION FOR TOUR DEPARTURES. HLTC cannot guarantee specific seats, which are at the discretion of the airline and are pending availability. When HLTC disperses travel packages, you will receive your record locator. You can use this locator to do online seating arrangements, if permitted by the airline, any additional costs for seat selection are your responsibility. If your airline ticket is canceled for any reason, you must directly contact the airline to request a refund for your seat selection. The refund will be processed to your original form of payment, subject to the airline's terms and conditions."

BAGGAGE: Transatlantic and transpacific flights to and from the USA allow the passenger to bring one (1) checked bag, which may have a maximum weight of 50 lbs., and maximum combined dimensions of 62 inches. Also, one (1) "carry-on" with maximum dimensions of 8"x12"x20" is permitted. Luggage on domestic flights including Mexico & Canada will cost extra. Luggage is the passenger's responsibility and that of the airlines. For lost luggage, the passenger is responsible for notifying the airline directly. Check with your carrier regarding carry-on luggage rules and regulations.

PRICES: All prices are based on exchange rates and fares applicable at time of quotation and based on minimum number of paying passengers stated in the brochure and are therefore subject to change if fares change (including fuel surcharges increase), if group does not reach minimum or if exchange rates fluctuate. Minimum number of paying passengers is 30.

NOT INCLUDED: Passport and Visas, exit taxes, meals not mentioned, beverages with meals, extra beyond standard menu, excess baggage, luggage on domestic flights, telephone calls, fuel surcharges increase.

VISAS: When and if a visa or visa waiver is required, it is the passenger's responsibility to obtain one. HLTC, owner, agent, or employees cannot be held liable for clients not having proper passports, visa, visa waiver, or other travel documents. Cancellations or changes to schedule due to a lack of appropriate documents will incur usual penalties.

PASSPORTS: Passports are required to travel with Holy Land Travel Center. A Passport Card is not useful for International Air Travel. Attempting to use this instead of a Passport Book will result in a denial of boarding by the airlines and entry by the legal authorities.

PHOTO RELEASE: Photos taken on the pilgrimage may be used to advertise for future pilgrimages by registering for the tour you consent to photographs taken of during your participation in the tour, and to publication of the photographs by the Operator for advertising, promotional and marketing purposes. I assign a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use, for any purpose, photographs submitted by me to Operator and any photographs taken of me during my tour. I waive my right to inspect or approve the eventual use of such photographs.

#### VISA FOR EUROPE - ETIAS

-Starting in 2025, Americans, Canadians, Australians will need to apply online for travel authorization for Europe.

- This applies to all travelers, and all ages.

- Fee approx. \$9. Per Person

- The program is called ETIAS. Some refer to it as a "visa for Europe". It is not a traditional visa but needs basic details about the traveler and their trip.

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CANCELLATION DUE TO LOW PARTICIPATION: On rare occasions, a tour departure may be canceled due to lack of participation. In the event that HLTC would decide to cancel a departure, a full refund will be issued (not including travel insurance). HLTC is not responsible and does not assume responsibility for any additional costs or any fees relating to the cancellation of air tickets or other arrangements not made through HLTC.

FORCE MAJEURE: Cancellations due to state advisories and/or state warnings, Pandemic, Epidemic, Acts of War, War, Terrorism, Acts of God, Natural Disaster, Force Majeure or any other circumstance outside the control of HLTC, are not the fault of HLTC. Great effort will be made to accommodate passengers on another trip, a postponed date, or to revise itinerary, however, cancellation for any of these reasons will not be eligible for refund and are subject to cancellation fees as stated above.

Note: While no changes are anticipated, there may be unforeseen occasions when certain alterations become necessary, either due to changes to the airline schedule, government regulations, travel restrictions, or any other reason. Holy Land Travel Center reserves the right to change the itinerary or name alternate dates due to such unforeseen circumstances or emergencies

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