

## EXPERIENCE THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Pilgrimage to

# SLOVENIA, CROATIA, AND MEDJUGORJE

September 30 - October 12, 2025



### A TRULY CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE

**Tekton Ministries** has been leading Catholic pilgrimages all over the world for more than 25 years. By immersing yourself in the rhythm of the prayer life of Medjugorje, we hope your faith will be reinvigorated and renewed by this pilgrimage. Daily Mass and time for prayerful reflection are the cornerstones of each day's experience in this retreat-like setting.

We use only experienced Catholic or Christian guides, so you receive truthful explanations of scripture and the places we encounter. When the disciple Philip asked the Eunuch (who was reading Isaiah) if he understood what he was reading, the man responded, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" (Acts 8:35). Just as Philip guided the Eunuch with "the good news of Jesus," your Tekton pilgrimage will guide you into a deeper understanding of the Scriptures and Church history and tradition. Our prayers, service, and love of our Lord go with you.

## Day 1 - Tuesday, September 30 Depart Omaha

Depart from Omaha on our overnight flights to Europe. Meals served on flight.

## Day 2 - Wednesday , October 1 Arrive Ljubljana

Upon arrival in Ljubljana, we will be met by our tour manager who will be with us for the duration of our pilgrimage. Depending upon our arrival time, we may have a brief overview of the city on our way to Mass. Afterwards, we will transfer to our hotel for check-in, dinner, and overnight. (D, Mass) – Overnight Ljubljana

## Day 3 - Thursday, October 2 Ljubljana

After breakfast, we journey to the Central Market area where we travel by funicular railway to the 15th-century Ljubljana Castle, where we enjoy a guided tour. Upon return to the Central Market area, we will explore the Old Town, including several of the city's beautiful bridges and squares. We'll pass by the Robba Fountain and the Vurnik House, one of the most famous buildings in Ljubljana. We will also visit the Cathedral of St. Nicholas, where we will have time for prayer before continuing to a local wine bar for wine tasting. Afterwards, we return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

(B, D, Mass) Overnight Ljubljana

## Day 4 - Friday, October 3 Ljubljana (day trip to Lake Bled)

A short drive from Ljubljana lies the Alpine Lake Bled. Besides the charming town along the lakeshore, we will visit Bled Castle, the oldest in Slovenia. We will also journey across the lake via pletna boats to visit the Church of the Assumption of Mary on an island a little way offshore. After time in Bled, we return to Ljubljana for dinner and overnight. (B, D, Mass) Overnight Ljubljana

## Day 5 - Saturday, October 4 Ljubljana / Kurešček / Zadar

After an early breakfast, we depart our hotel in Ljubljana and journey a short distance to Kurešček, where the shrine to Our Lady Queen of Peace was rebuilt by France Spelic. After a brief tour and time for prayer, we continue our journey south to Zadar where we check into our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D, Mass) Overnight Zadar



## Day 6 - Sunday, October 5 Zadar

Spend today in Zadar, the oldest continuously inhabited city in Croatia and home to the relics of Simeon, to whom the Lord was presented in the Temple on His 8th day. Our first church we visit today is the Church of St. Simeon, which holds his incorruptible mummified body in a sarcophagus above the altar. This afternoon, we journey to the Cathedral of St. Anastasia to venerate her stone sarcophagus near the high altar. Afterwards, enjoy a guided tour of the Church of St. Elias, containing a wonderful collection of icons dating from the 16th-18th century. (B, D, Mass) Overnight Zadar

## Day 7 - Monday, October 6 Zadar / Trogir / Medjugorje

After breakfast, we check out of our hotel and journey to the charming UNESCO Heritage town of Trogir. Built upon a tiny island, there is evidence it has been continuously inhabited since a Greek settlement was built in the 3rd century BC. The area is extremely walkable and we will enjoy some free time here before continuing to Medjugorje where we will check into our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D, Mass) Overnight Medjugorje

#### Day 8-11 (Tuesday-Friday, October 7-10) Medjugorje

On our first full day in Medjugorje, your guide will provide you with a comprehensive orientation about Medjugorje and the apparitions, and you will be a given a brief tour of the area, so that you are familiar with everything.

We will have two meals each day at our Pansion. There are many restaurants in Medjugorje for people who may wish to have a third meal each day.

Many of the activities will be subject to availability and weather. You



will always have the option of participating in group activities or spending time by yourself. These activities include:

- Attending the Holy Mass in English every day at St. James church (usually at 10:00 am), with English speaking pilgrims from throughout the world.
- Participating in the international program of prayer each evening, which includes the Rosary, Sacrament of Reconciliation, international Mass for all pilgrims, prayers for healing, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
- Climbing Apparition Hill, the site where Our Lady first appeared to the visionaries.
- Climbing Cross Mountain; praying the Stations of the Cross as we ascend to the summit.
- Visiting the Divine Mercy chapel in Surmanci, Siroki Brijeg, and the Convent of the School Sisters in Miletina.
- Hearing talks by priests, visionaries, and other locals, when possible.
- Free time for shopping, so that you can bring back a piece of Medjugorje to your loved ones at home, and private reflection.

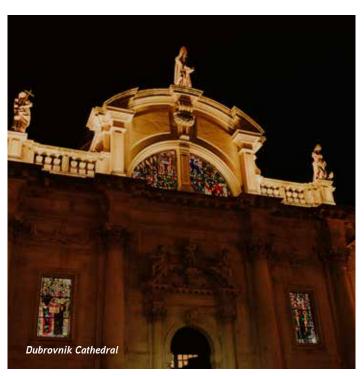




#### Day 12 - Saturday, October 11 Medjugorje / Dubrovnik

Depart Medjugorje very early this morning and journey to Dubrovnik, known as the Pearl of the Adriatic. Upon arrival we will enjoy a guided tour of the Old City, including the churches of St. Blaise, St. Ignatius, St. Dominic, and the Dubrovnik Cathedral. Our festive farewell dinner this evening will be at a local restaurant outside the Old City. (B, D, Mass) Overnight Dubrovnik





#### Day 13 - Sunday, October 12 Dubrovnik / USA

Today marks the end of a marvelous experience as we transfer to the airport for the return trip home, filled with memories and graces of this pilgrimage that will last a lifetime.

B=Breakfast D=Dinner

#### This pilgrimage is moderately physically challenging.

Although there will be ample time to rest and pray at holy sites, there are periods of walking, standing in line, and even climbing hills/mountains. You will be on and off buses daily and can expect up to 3-4 miles walking on average per day.



#### **PILGRIMAGE DETAILS**

#### **ESTIMATED PRICE PER PERSON**

Double occupancy with base airfare \$4,895.00

Current airline taxes/fuel surcharges \$612.91

(subject to change until final ticketing)

ESTIMATED COST

\$5,507.91

Gratuities to guide, driver, hotel/restaurant staff

\$190.00

(estimated/pre-collected with final invoice)

#### **OPTIONS:**

• For a single room: add \$842

• Land-only option: \$3,719 (no flights or gratuities included)

Final Payment Due

June 2025

#### **BASE RATE INCLUDES:**

- Daily Mass at holy sites
- Roundtrip economy class airfare from Omaha on Delta Airlines/ Air France/KLM
- 11 nights accommodations, including taxes and service charges
- Meals as per itinerary
- Porterage of one piece of luggage at airports and hotels (except Medjugorje)
- Knowledgeable, friendly, Catholic/Christian guides; whisper headsets; deluxe motor coach transportation to holy sites; all entrance fees listed on itinerary

Rates do not include: Meals not specified in the itinerary, drinks with meals in itinerary

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 90 days prior to departure. Reservations made within 89 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 23 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 \$150.00 administrative fee will be charged. If canceled 90 - 46 days prior to departure, \$300.00 will be charged. If canceled 45 - 15 days prior to departure, \$1000.00 will be charged. No refunds will be made within 14 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 passport which is valid for 6 months past the date of your return flight home is required of all U. S. citizens. However, U.S. citizens do not require visas for Croatia, Slovenia, and Bosnia Herzegovina. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please call to find out if you need a visa. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for individual visas or passports.

**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/Air France/KLM. 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 120 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 in base price:** Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently \$612.91 per person, but subject to change until the time of ticketing), gratuities to guide, driver, and hotel staff, passport/visa fees, 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.

**Refunds:** Subject to the foregoing Cancellation Terms, upon cancellation of travel related services, all sums paid to Tekton Ministries/George's International Tours for such services will be promptly returned to the passenger, provided the passenger has not caused such cancellation and is not in violation of any of the terms and conditions previously, clearly and conspicuously disclosed and agreed to by the passenger. This refund provision does not apply where Tekton Ministries/George's International Tours has remitted the payment to another registered seller of travel or a carrier and they default in providing the agreed-upon transportation or service without providing a refund.

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which may result from any act, omission, negligence in or responsible for performing
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