



# Holy Land in America

## Washington, DC

### Itinerary

#### **Day 1 - Tuesday, March 25, 2025**

Arrive in the Washington, DC, metropolitan area and meet your Escort at Dulles International Airport. Depart to pick up the rest of the group from Baltimore International Airport. Celebrate the Feast of the Annunciation with Mass. Afterwards, you'll check-in to the Renaissance Harborview Hotel before enjoying a Welcome Dinner at a popular, favorite restaurant, serving fresh, local fare.

#### **Day 2 - Wednesday, March 26, 2025**

Begin the day with Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption, America's first Roman Catholic cathedral. A box lunch is included this afternoon. Explore the Mother Seton House, St. Mary's Seminary, & the Shrine of St. Jude Devotions. After sightseeing, enjoy a Farewell Dinner before resting at your hotel.

#### **Day 3 - Thursday, March 27, 2025**

Travel to Emmitsburg, MD, to visit the National Shrine of Elizabeth Ann Seton. Tour the Basilica, historic homes, and experience a powerful Living History Program. After Mass and lunch, arrive in Washington, DC, and check-in to the Renaissance Capital View Hotel. Savor a fresh coastal dinner.

#### **Day 4 - Friday, March 28, 2025**

Visit Arlington National Cemetery to honor American heroes. Attend Mass at St. Patrick's Catholic Church & tour the U.S. Capitol and Library of Congress. This afternoon, stroll among the iconic cherry blossoms and visit the Franklin D. Roosevelt, Martin Luther King Jr., and Jefferson Memorials. Enjoy a waterfront dinner in Georgetown & explore the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

#### **Day 5 - Saturday, March 29, 2025**

After breakfast, explore the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. Enter the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in America and celebrate Mass in the Sanctuary. The Custos of the Holy Land officially announced that the Holy See granted pilgrims coming to the Monastery the possibility to obtain the Plenary Indulgence, at the normal conditions, when we celebrate Mass in the Sanctuary as is the case in the Holy Land. Conclude the day with a Farewell Dinner followed by an Illuminated Monument Driving Tour of Washington DC's night-time landmarks.

#### **Day 6 - Monday, March 30, 2025**

Celebrate Mass at St. Matthew's Cathedral, followed by a photo op at the White House and a visit to the White House Visitor Center. Explore the National World War I Memorial and enjoy the wonder of the National Museum of Natural History. Depart for Dulles Airport to drop off group 1, followed by Baltimore Airport for return flights home.

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### Highlights

- National Shrine of Saint Alphonsus Liguori
- Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption
- Mother Seton House
- Saint Mary's Seminary
- Shrine of St. Jude
- Inner Harbor Sightseeing
- National Shrine of Elizabeth Ann Seton
- Arlington National Cemetery
- St. Patrick's Catholic Church
- United States Capitol Building
- United States Library of Congress
- Guided Monuments & Memorials Tour
- Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
- Saint John Paul II National Shrine
- Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land
- Guided Illuminated Monument Tour
- Cathedral of Saint Matthew the Apostle
- White House Photo Op
- National Museum of Natural History

### Inclusions

- Luxury Motor Coach upon arrival
- 5 Nights' accommodation
- Roundtrip baggage handling
- 5 Breakfasts
- 3 Lunches
- 5 Dinners
- Admission Fees
- Guide Services as stated in the itinerary
- Taxes and hotel fees







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## Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land Fr. David Grenier



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Fr. David Grenier is the Commissary of the Holy Land for the U.S. and the editor of the Holy Land Review, a quarterly magazine about life in the Holy Land. Originally from Canada, he joined the Franciscans of the Custody of the Holy Land in 2007 and was ordained a priest in Jerusalem on June 29, 2015.

In the Holy Land, Fr. David served as Director of the Magnificat Institute, the Custody's music school, bringing together through music Christians, Jews and Muslims, and as Secretary of the Holy Land. He currently resides at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in Washington DC.

Over 125 years in Washington DC's Brookland neighborhood, the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land has replicas of shrines & sites of the Holy Land including the Grotto of the Nativity (Bethlehem), Calvary, and the Empty Tomb, the place of the Resurrection. The Monastery Gardens have other shrines as well as Stations of the Cross.

## Summary

Embark on a spiritual and historical journey through Washington, DC, and Baltimore. This 6-day pilgrimage offers a perfect blend of faith, history, and culture. From celebrating Mass at iconic shrines and cathedrals to exploring monuments, memorials, and museums, this tour is designed to inspire and enrich. Experience the solemn beauty of Arlington National Cemetery, the serenity of the National Shrine of Elizabeth Ann Seton, and the timeless charm of Washington's landmarks, all while enjoying exceptional dining and hospitality. Join us for an unforgettable pilgrimage through America's most cherished cities!

## Tour Details

Tour Dates: **March 25 to 30, 2025**

Designed for the Western USA Lieutenancy  
Group Coordinators: Sir Joseph Maneen, KCHS  
and Dame Linda Maneen, DCHS

**Spiritual Coordinator: Fr. David Grenier**

Registration Site: <https://tri.ps/RhrNz>

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