# **PILGRIMAGE TO MEXICO**

## **GUADALUPE & CRISTEROS SAINTS**

**Under spiritual leadership of Fr. Thomas Lim** Pastor St. Lawrence Martyr Church, Scarborough, Ontario Tour Coordinator: Theresia Sisca Tel. 416-731-8252

Aug 22- Sept 2, 2024 - 12 days - \$4,199.00 (Toronto Dep, incl. all taxes and tips)











- Aug. 22 Morning departure to **Mexico City**. Upon arrival we are transferred to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe for welcome Mass. Depart by bus to **Puebla** for dinner and overnight.
  - Aug. 23 We start the day with a tour to the old city, the **Cathedral**, **Dominican Cloister and the Rosary Chapel**. Continue to **Tlaxcala** and the **Shrine of San Miguel del Milagro**. Celebrate Mass at the site where St. Michael the Archangel appeared to Diego Lazaro in 1631. See the image of Our Lady of Ocotlan burnt into a tree trunk after she appeared to Diego Bernardino. Perfectly preserved, the image in a tree resides in the **Basilica of our Lady of Ocotlan**. Dinner & overnight in Puebla
  - Aug. 24 After breakfast, we will visit the Plaza of Santo Domingo. Inside the temple you will see several chapels one of which is dedicated to the Virgin of the Rosary. Another chapel is dedicated to the Spanish Virgin of Covadonga, patroness of the Asturian immigrants: the Chapel dedicated to the "Lord of the Rebozo" and the Chapel dedicated to the "Lady of Sorrows". Continue to the Church of Santiago Tlatelolco, where St. Juan Diego was baptized. Time for lunch and some rest. In the afternoon we will visit Holy Family Church, where you will view the tomb of Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro, the Jesuit martyr and venerate his relics. We will have time for celebrating a Mass, we will also visit the small, but very inspiring Museum dedicated to Blessed Miguel Pro. Before returning to our hotel, we will visit the actual place where Bl. Miguel was shot. Dinner and overnight at hotel.
  - Aug. 25 After breakfast we visit the small Indian baroque **Church of Tonantzintla and Cholula Church** constructed on the top of the Great Pyramid. Continue to the Famous **"Silver City"- Taxco**. We get acquainted with the history of silver mining in Mexico, visit jewels of baroque style architecture – **St Priscilla and St Sebastian Church** where we celebrate Mass. Dinner & overnight in Taxco.
  - Aug. 26 After breakfast, transfer to the Church of the 5<sup>th</sup> apparition in Tulpetlac, where the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to Juan Bernardino, Juan Diego's uncle. We continue to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Upon arrival at the Shrine, you will join the other pilgrims as you kneel in front of the centuries old tilma where Our Lady's image was miraculously printed. Private Mass will be celebrated in one of the Upper Chapels. Next, you climb Tepeyac Hill, visit the Old Basilica, the Chapel of the Indians, and the Chapel of the Well. Free time for lunch and shopping. Transfer to hotel for dinner and overnight.
     Aug. 27 After breakfast we travel to Teotihuacan and the largest American Pyramids, the pyramid of the Sun and the Moon as well as the Pyramid of the "Feathered Dragon", ranked among the biggest in the world. Mass at local Church. Dinner and overnight











- Aug. 28 After breakfast, we travel to **Coyoacan**. We will visit the **San Juan Bautista Church and the Convent** next to it. We will celebrate Mass at San Juan Bautista Church then head off to Xochimilco for a Trajinera ride. Return to hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Aug. 29 After breakfast, we depart early for Queretaro City. Mass at the **Church of the Cross** and have a short visit to the **Franciscan Monastery** where Fr. Junipero Sierra started his evangelization and founded the Franciscan Missions. Free time for lunch and in the afternoon, we will have time to enjoy the beautiful city of Queretaro with the **Parish of the Sacred Heart of Jesus "Of St. Claire",** the Temple of **Santa Rosa de Viterbo**, which is a magnificent example of Mexican Colonial Baroque. Depart to Guanajuato, transfer to hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Aug. 30 After breakfast, early departure to the Cerro del Cubilete to celebrate Mass. Visit the Shrine of Santa Maria de Los Martires where we will see the relics of three Cristeros: Fr. Jose Trinidad Rangel Montano, Fr. Andres Sola y Molist and Sr. Leonardo Perez Larios. After lunch, we will visit Guanajuato, walking through its colorful narrow streets, admiring from outside the architecture of the Juarez Theater, Plaza Baratillo, Guanajuato University. We will also see the Templo de la Compania de Jesus, one of the largest constructions completed by the Jesuits in Mexico. Another jewel of Guanajuato is the Orange-yellow Basilica de Nuestra Senora de Guanajuato, which contains an image of the Virgin, patroness of the city. We will also see beautiful San Fernando square and the Church of Belen. After a delightful day, we will be on our way to hotel for dinner and overnight.
  - After breakfast, we will depart for San Juan de Los Lagos. We start with a visit to the **Cathedral Basilica of Nuestra Senora de San Juan de Los Lagos**, the second most visited Catholic center in Mexico after the Shrine of our Lady of Guadalupe. Mass will be celebrated at the Basilica. Continue to Santa Ana de Guadalupe and visit the house and the **Shrine of San Toribio Romo**, a martyr. Time to pray in front of his relics. On to the city of Guadalajara and transfer to hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Sep. 1 After breakfast, we will visit the **Cathedral with the Ossuary Consisting of a glass** cabinet that exhibits the bones of 23 of the martyred saints of the Cristero **Revolution.** We will continue to Sahuayo. We will dedicate our time to St. Jose Sanchez del Rio, the youngest of the Cristero Martyrs. We will celebrate Mass at the **Church of St. James** where St. Jose was taken prisoner by the federal troops. We will have time to pray in front of his relics. Next, we will visit the cemetery where St. Joselito bravely declared his loyalty to Christ. Transfer to Mexico City. Dinner and overnight
- Sep. 2 After breakfast, transfer to the airport for our flight back to Toronto. Evening arrival.



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#### LISTED COST (\$4,199.00) INCLUDES:

- transportation from Toronto (unless specified otherwise), incl. airport taxes and surcharges.
- hotel accommodation first class or superior tourist class based on double occupancy - single room supplement is \$600.
- 2 meals daily (breakfast and dinner) + 2 lunch box
- all sightseeing as per itinerary with English speaking guide,

-tips to drivers, guides, hotels

#### NOT INCLUDED IN THE COST OF THE TOUR:

- meals not specified, insurance, documentation.

#### HOW TO BOOK:

Please call, book online or send the registration form printed below. A non-refundable deposit of \$300.00 per person is required at time of booking. Insurance must be purchased at time of booking.

#### **BALANCE OF PAYMENT:**

Balance due is payable 60 pays prior to departure. For late bookings (within 60 days) full payment is due immediately.

#### **CANCELLATION:**

If cancellation is necessary, please advise IHT immediately in writing. Cancellation charges are as follows:

- 60 days before departure or earlier \$300.00 per person
- between 60 and 45 days before departure -50% of the total cost
- 45 days or less -100% of the total cost

#### **IF YOU CHANGE YOUR BOOKING:**

A \$150.00 administration charge will be applied for changes you make to your booking outside the 60 days to departure period. Please note that name changes are not allowed, and such will be treated as cancellations.

#### **IF IHT CHANGES YOUR BOOKING:**

IHT will advise you of any change we feel significantly alters the holiday which you have purchased from us. Occasionally, changes might occur close to departure time. In such cases, you will be notified as soon as possible. Due to circumstances beyond our control, the local tour operator may have to make last minute changes in hotel or schedule. We reserve the right to substitute any of the hotels with hotels in similar or better category. First class twin-bedded rooms with private facilities are used.

#### **UNUSED SERVICES:**

No refund or adjustment can be made for any portion of holiday not used.

#### GOOD VALUE AND EXPECTATIONS:

The Ministry of Consumer Relations requires that Ontarians traveling abroad be advised that they may encounter different living standards and practices than those at home.

#### **FLIGHT CONNECTIONS:**

IHT sells holidays from and returning to Toronto only, unless otherwise specified. In the event of a change in our flight times, with or without notice, we cannot accept responsibility for any special connecting fares which you might purchase, and which cannot be changed without penalty.

#### TRAVEL DOCUMENTATION:

A valid Canadian passport is required for all visits outside of Canada. It is the sole responsibility of the passenger to ensure proper and valid documentation. Failure to provide valid documentation may result in denied boarding of the aircraft and cancellation of your flight arrangements without refund. If you are holding a passport other than Canadian, please contact IHT to determine whether a visa is required for entry into the country you will be visiting.

#### **BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE:**

You can bring carry-on luggage: 1 standard article (small carry-on) and 1 personal article (bag or computer). Check-in luggage is subjected to airlines standard fees.

#### FLIGHT TIMES:

All flight times are subject to change with or without prior notice to the passengers or his/her agent. IHT does not accept liability for missed connections or any expenses resulting from an off schedule, rescheduled or late flight operations.

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#### LIABILITY:

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#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

When you book your IHT tour, an agreement is made between you and IHT and others who will provide services. Please carefully read the information on this page for it sets out the conditions governing the provisions of these holidays.

#### **INSURANCE COST:**

INSURANCE COST:		4200 ON
Age/Type of insurance	All inclusive	Non-med/cancellation
Up to 59	\$313.63	\$271.30
60 - 64	\$381.02	\$306.72
65 - 69	\$491.13	\$358.94
70 - 74	\$660.96	\$410.35
75 - 79	\$981.72	\$697.68
80 - 84	\$1262.52	\$875.88

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Date of birth: Day: Month:Year:
I wish to share with: I request a single room (\$600) - Yes/No
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