

# OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

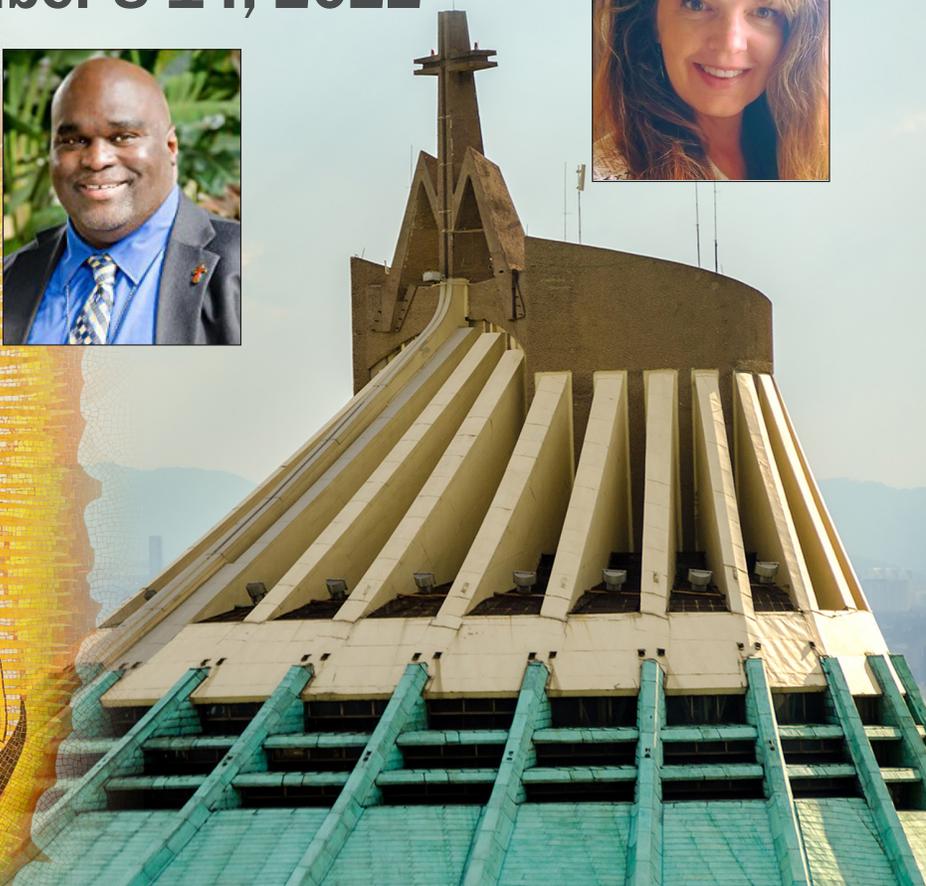
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# MEXICO

with *Fr. Andrew McNair,*  
*Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers,*  
*and Ellen Holmes Steeves-LeBlanc*



**7 Days**  
**December 8-14, 2022**



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# WHAT'S THE COST?

Land and Air  
**\$2290.00**

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**\$300.00**

Prices are valid only if the deposit is received no later than September 3, 2022

Final payment due October 9, 2022

*Fr. Andrew McNair is a native of Swansboro, North Carolina. He entered the seminary in 1985 and was ordained a priest in 1997 in Rome, Italy. He studied classical humanities in Salamanca, Spain, and philosophy and Theology in Rome. Before ordination, he served as a missionary for three years in the Yucatán peninsula in Mexico, working with the Mayan natives.*

*After finishing his graduate studies, Fr. Andrew taught Theology at Mater Ecclesiae College, in Greenville, Rhode Island for eight years. During this time, he was a columnist for the National Catholic Register. In 2008, Fr. Andrew was assigned to parish ministry and appointed chaplain for the Office of Black Catholic Church Ministry in the Diocese of Providence, R.I. He served as assistant pastor of Holy Spirit parish in Central Falls, R.I., for two years and as assistant pastor of Our Lady of the Assumption in Providence, R.I. for one year. In 2012, he was appointed pastor of SS John and James parish in West Warwick, R.I.*

*In 2014, Fr. Andrew was appointed pastor of St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Southern Pines, North Carolina for a term of 6 years. In 2016, he was installed as Chaplain for African American Catholics for the Diocese of Raleigh, North Carolina for a term of three years.*

*On July 1, 2020, the Most Rev. Thomas Olmsted, Bishop of the Diocese of Phoenix, appointed Fr. Andrew as Parochial Vicar of SS. Simon and Jude Cathedral and on April 18th, 2021, he was appointed as Chaplain for the African American Community for the Diocese of Phoenix. In addition to this, Bishop Olmsted appointed Fr. Andrew as Spiritual Advisor to Prison Ministry for the Diocese of Phoenix. Fr. Andrew hopes to serve in the Diocese of Phoenix for many years to come. Please pray for Father as he celebrates this year his 25th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood on December 24, 2023.*

## DAILY ITINERARY

### ✠ December 8, Wednesday, DAY 1: DEPART U.S.A

Depart Phoenix Airport to Mexico City. Upon arrival we are greeted by our tour escort and transferred to our hotel, located in the historical area of the city, an active area filled with shops, markets and restaurants. Dinner and overnight in Mexico City. (Dinner at the hotel)

### ✠ December 9, Thursday, DAY 2: MEXICO CITY – FEAST OF JUAN DIEGO

St. Juan Diego was beatified on May 6, 1990 by Pope John Paul II, and canonized on July 31, 2002. His feast day is celebrated on December 9, and he is the patron saint of Indigenous people. Juan Diego was born in Mexico. He lived a simple life as a weaver, farmer and labourer. Juan was a member of the Chichimeca tribe. They called him the talking eagle. His Christian name was Juan Diego. On December 9, 1531, Juan rose before dawn to walk fifteen miles to Mexico City to attend daily Mass. As he passed Tepeyac Hill, he heard music and saw a glowing cloud encircled by a rainbow. A woman's voice called him to the top of the hill. There he saw a beautiful young woman dressed like an Aztec princess. She said she was the Virgin Mary and Mother of the true God. She asked Juan to tell the bishop to build a church on that site, so she could be present to help and defend those who were suffering and in pain. After Juan's mission was completed, he became a hermit. He spent the rest of his life in prayer and penance.

After a buffet breakfast, we arrive at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe by way of the Plaza of the Three Cultures. This plaza symbolizes the unique blend of pre-Hispanic, and Hispanic cultures that make up Mexico. Visit the Church of Santiago Tlatelolco where St. Juan Diego was baptized. Then continue to Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine, built in response to Our Lady's request to the visionary, St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin. We celebrate Mass, see Tilma, and watch the Native procession with drums. See the gold Crucifix that was bent from a bomb blast in 1924. After this visit, we enjoy a city tour of Mexico City. See the oldest and largest cathedral in all of Latin America, the Metropolitan Cathedral. Throughout our time in the cathedral, we will be amazed by the stunning paintings, altar pieces, and statues. Additionally, we have the opportunity to view the Tomb of Bishop Zumarraga, who was the first Bishop of Mexico, also known as the Protector of Indians. Our tour continues as we transfer to the National Palace. This extraordinary palace has been a building of the ruling class of Mexico since the Aztec Empire's rule. Time permitting, we visit the Plaza of Santo Domingo. This plaza contains two Holy places that are architecturally exquisite: the Church of Santo Domingo, the first church built by the Dominicans in 1576, and the Shrine of Our Lady of the Rosary, the first Rosary Shrine in Mexico. Also on our tour, we visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Covadonga, the headquarters of the Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary. This Shrine is dedicated to the Patron Saint of Asturias (Spain). Dinner at Azulejos Restaurant or similar. Overnight in Mexico City. (B. L. Dinner at a local restaurant)

### ✠ December 10, Friday, DAY 3: OCOTLAN – SAN MIGUEL

After breakfast, we enjoy a ride through the mountains as we travel to Tlaxcala and the Shrine of San Miguel Del Milagro. Upon arrival, our priest will celebrate Holy Mass at the site where St. Michael the Archangel appeared to Diego Lazaro in 1631, directing him to the Grotto and to a well of miraculous curative waters. This is known as the Lourdes of Mexico because of its miraculous statue and spring water. Continue to Ocotlan to visit the beautiful church and see the miraculous image of Our Lady burned into a tree trunk after she appeared to Juan Diego Bernardino in 1541. Perfectly preserved, the image in a tree resides in the Basilica of Our Lady of Ocotlan. Also see the Monastery of San Francisco-one of the first Catholic buildings in Mexico. Dinner and overnight in Mexico City. (B. Dinner at the hotel.)

### ✠ December 11, Saturday, DAY 4: PUEBLA

After a buffet breakfast, we depart for Puebla - City of the Angels and Churches, the fourth largest city in México and a great example of Spanish colonial architecture. The Puebla region is famous for its beautiful Churches and its hand painted "Talavera" tiles. We visit the unforgettable Chapel of the Rosary (celebrate Mass and Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament) TBC. Then enjoy visits to the Cathedral, Santo Domingo Church and the Santa Monica religious museum, and Church of St. Francis to see the incorrupt body of St. Sebastian. In the afternoon there is time to shop in the open-air market and bargain for souvenirs and silver. Dinner and overnight in Mexico City. (B. Dinner at the hotel)

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## ✝ Dec 12, Sunday, DAY 5: MEXICO CITY – FEAST DAY OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

After breakfast, we take part in the activities at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, including the Procession of the Roses, followed by the Gospel Procession and Blessing of the Roses. Constant music and dancing by the natives takes place throughout the day and night. We have time to explore the Guadalupe Shrine, the Church of the Hill, Church of the Well, Monument of the Offerings, and Church of the Indians. After lunch, we may visit the Religious Museum and pray the Rosary at the Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament. Celebrate Mass at the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception of Salto de Agua. In the afternoon we visit the Church of Our Lady of Good Remedies where we see the giant statue of St. Michael the Archangel. Enjoy time for shopping and exploring the market and many artisan shops before we float through the Xochimilco Floating Gardens on a gondola-boat ride. Dinner and overnight in Mexico City. (B. Dinner at the hotel)

## ✝ December 13, Monday, DAY 6: MEXICO CITY – PYRAMIDS OF THE SUN AND THE MOON

After breakfast, we visit the Church of Santiago Tlatelolco, where St. Juan Diego was baptized. Continue to the Church of the Healing in Tulpetlac for Mass. In the afternoon we visit the Father Pro Museum and the Church of la Sagrada Familia. In the evening we enjoy a farewell dinner in a local restaurant and see the Mariachi Bands playing in Garibaldi Square. Overnight in Mexico City. (B, Special farewell dinner)

## ✝ December 14, Tuesday, DAY 7: DEPART MEXICO CITY FOR U.S.A.

We celebrate Mass at San Bernardino de Siena Church. Then transfer to the airport for our flight back to Seattle. We are met at the airport by a bus which will take us back to the church. (B, )



This active program covers a good amount of ground each day. You need to be able to walk for 60 minutes straight and on uneven surfaces. Some stairs will be encountered.

## YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES

- Round trip airfare to Mexico City from Phoenix Airport
- Airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- Accommodations for 6 nights Mexico City
- Buffet breakfast daily
- 4 hotel dinners (beverages are not included)
- 2 restaurant dinners
- 1 lunches
- Private Air-conditioned motor coach
- English speaking guide for duration of the trip
- All admission charges as per the itinerary
- Parking fees for motor coaches
- Select International Tours Travel Portfolio
- Confirmation of daily Mass
- We recommend you consider purchasing CFAR Travel Protection

## RATES DO NOT INCLUDE

- Personal expenses
- Anything not mentioned in above inclusions
- Beverages at meals unless otherwise noted
- Gratuities for guide/driver and hotel staff (please look at list that we recommend). At lunch we recommend a tip of \$1.00 per person per day. For extra luggage please tip \$1.00 per person per bag.
- Church donations

## BAGGAGE CHARGES NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP COST:

- Checked baggage is not included with your flights. The average cost is \$30 per bag per person each way
- Baggage handling at train stations, and airports. \*Check with your airline for baggage fees and restrictions
- Any charges incurred due to excessive luggage including the cost of an additional baggage vehicle or portage charges



**Deposits and final payment:** A deposit of \$500.00 per person by check should accompany the enrollment form along with your optional travel protection payment and a copy of your passport picture page by **September 7, 2022**. **Final payment is due by October 7, 2022**. A late payment fee of \$100 will be charged per person for all payments received after the final payment date. Please mail your payment to: Select International Tours, 85 Park Ave., Flemington, NJ 08822 Attn: Mirela Krstic, 800-842-4842, mirela@select-intl.com.

Your passport must be valid through **June 14, 2023**. Reservations will not be processed until we have passport copies. Prices quoted are based on payments by check. Prices: \$2,290.00 for the complete package; additional \$300.00 solo traveler, additional cost, (in room by yourself). For credit card payments add 4%.

**Pilgrimage prices:** Prices are based on minimum 20 passengers. Prices may be adjusted in the event of fewer than 20 passengers, changes in currency conversion rates, or amendments in local government taxes and/or fuel surcharges. Prices are in US dollars.

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**Land Only Option:** Land only services start and end at the hotels and do not include any airfare. You are welcome to transfer from the airport with the group if you arrive at the same time, otherwise, transfers are not included.

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**Walking:** Our trips require daily walking, sometimes up or down slopes, steps, and uneven terrain. We recommend preparing oneself, by walking before the trip. Anyone needing assistance is required to be accompanied by a qualified and physically-able travel companion. We are not responsible for any medical condition that occurs prior, during or after the trip.

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**Shipping & Handling:** \$15.00—not included in package price—will be added to each invoice. Your invoice will confirm the trip registration.

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Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Land only :   Need help with flights from \_\_\_\_\_  
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