

WALK THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL

A DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE

With Msgr. Hoefler

Includes 4 Nights All-Inclusive Cruise Ship

September 26 – October 06, 2025

September 26: Depart for Greece – Make your way to the airport where you will board your overnight flight. Onboard, meals will be served to you.

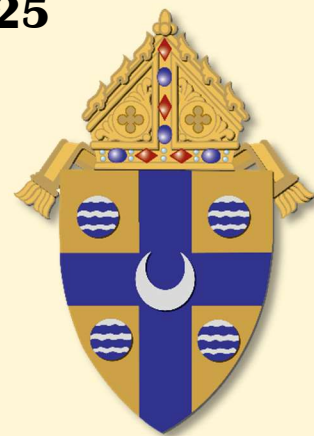
September 27: Arrive in Athens - Greece - Upon landing at Athens Airport; you will be greeted by your tour guide and your driver. Board the bus to transfer to your hotel. Enjoy some time to relax after check-in. Dinner at the hotel and overnight in Athens.

September 28: Athens - Athens – We will start with a tour of the oldest city in the world, Athens. We will visit the Acropolis. Then, you will ascend Mars Hill from where Saint Paul spoke to the Athenians about the one and only God (Acts 17:22). Then you will proceed to ancient Corinth. Under the shadow of the towering Acropolis, Saint Paul lived in Corinth for two years.

September 29: Athens - Start 4-day Cruise (Celestyal Cruises. Your first stop will be the Island of Mykonos, the most cosmopolitan of the Greek islands that attract visitors from all over the world. Return to the cruise ship for dinner and overnight. Mass on board.

September 30: Kusadasi - Ephesus – Patmos - Enjoy breakfast on board in the lively Turkish port of Kusadasi. We then transfer to the small village of Mt. Koressos. Visit the stone chapel situated upon the site. Following this visit, walk through the Magnesian Gate to the ancient Ephesus. Visit the Virgin Mary's house. On your transfer back to Kusadasi you will have the opportunity to view the Basilica of Saint John. The cruise journey continues to Patmos, where you will transfer to the village of Chora. While in this capital, visit the monastery of Saint John the Theologian. In addition to the stunning main church that contains outstanding frescoes. While in this quaint and picturesque harbor, enjoy free time before returning to the ship.

October 01: Rhodes - Rhodes, the capital of the islands, founded 2,400 years ago, on its north-eastern tip is a fascinating city. A “melting pot” of the historical remnants of its ancient and medieval past together with the “hustle and bustle” of present-day cosmopolitan life awaits your visit. OPTIONAL tour to Lindos.



October 02: Crete and Santorini - Crete is the largest and the most rugged of the Greek islands. OPTIONAL tour to Heraklion and the fantastic ruins of the Palace of Knossos. This afternoon visit the island of Santorini which is perhaps the most breathtaking of all the Greek Islands. You may choose to take an OPTIONAL panoramic bus tour viewing some of the most spectacular scenery of the Aegean. Upon returning to the ship, we view the lace-like caldera, the little islands of Thirasia, Palea, Nea Kameni. We arrive at the ship for dinner and evening entertainment.



October 03: Delphi - Kalambaka - After breakfast, you disembark the cruise ship and you visit the center of the ancient world (navel of the earth), Delphi. Visit Mount Parnassus site and the museum and continue to the breathtaking rocks of Meteora. Dinner and overnight at your hotel at Meteora Hotel.



October 04: Meteora-Veria, Vergina, Thessaloniki - After breakfast, board the motorcoach for a short drive to the Meteora Monasteries. Traveling northward into Macedonia we visit King Phillip's (Alexander's father) tomb in Vergina, one of the most outstanding finds in all of Greece. A stop will be made in Berea to view the ancient synagogue. En route to the hotel we will view the old city ramparts; the newly excavated Forum, St. George Church.



October 05: Philippi - Kavala – Thessaloniki - After breakfast, start your journey with the first stop of the day in Philippi. Philippi was the city where Saint Paul the Apostle delivered his first sermon and established the 1st church in Europe. Visit the Roman Forum, where Saint Paul cast a spirit out of a fortune telling woman. View the prison (now in ruins) where Saint Paul and Silas were thrown into by the owners of the fortune-tellers.

October 06: Transfer to the Thessaloniki airport for your return flight.

LIMITED
SEATING

\$4,995 per person

on double occupancy basis

**\$995 extra per single room*

***\$220 extra for Porthole Cabin
on the Cruise ship per person*

The price includes.

- Round trip airfare Tickets
- Cruise Ship in the Mediterranean for 4 nights (Breakfast, Lunch, dinner)
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