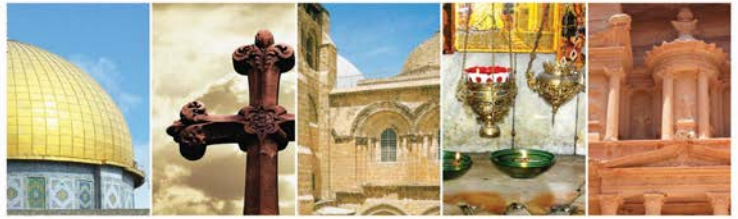




When planning a pilgrimage, the celebration of the Eucharist is always an essential part. **OVERSEAS TRAVEL BUREAU** can coordinate mass celebrations, Holy Hours and Prayer Services in the Shrines of the Custody of the Holy Land and other shrines. Your group can enjoy the spiritual experience of praying in the same holy places where the gospel comes to life.

USEFUL INFORMATION

- Group should be accompanied by a priest.
- 1 Mass a day in any shrine.
- In the Holy Sepulchre: each group can celebrate one Mass only during the whole pilgrimage.
- 1 Prayer a day in any Altar
- 1 Vows Renewal in Cana (available also with a Mass celebration).
- A group can celebrate during the same day a Mass, a Prayer, The Holy Hour, and a Vows Renewal.
- The Group should respect the rules of the Holy Places and not to be late of the Mass booked later than 10 Min, except if they informed the Shrine directly.
- If the Group arrives with extra participants than what was indicated during the booking, the superior has the right to accept according to the schedule.
- There is a cancellation fee for cancellations made less than 30 days from the booked date.
- For any last minute cancellation, there will be an extra fee on the original fee of the booking to avoid an increase of inconveniences for the Shrines and other groups who would have liked to book the same place.
- Bethlehem Manger Grotto: there are two time slots 10:00 am & 11:00 am. In case of cancellation of the 10:00 am Mass, your mass will be switched to its place automatically.
- The Holy Hour at Gethsemane is shared with other groups and not a private one.
- Non Catholic groups can book outside altars for communion services, prayer times and worship celebrations.



COMBINED GROUP

A combined group is a useful method to be able to book a single celebration for two or more groups to permit them to celebrate together. When booking a combined group, the number of participants is the sum of the number of participants of each single group making part of the combined group.

AGENCY RULES

- A single agency cannot book two consecutive Mass slots in any Shrine.
- Holy Sepulchre: each agency can book a maximum of one Mass a day for a single group.
- Gethsemane: each agency can book a maximum of two Masses a day for different groups at different altars (Basilica-Grotto-Gardens).
- Cenacle: two Masses bookable for each agency daily for different groups at different altars (Church, the Chapel).
- Nazareth - Basilica of The Annunciation: The agencies cannot book in the same day two different hours, either morning or afternoon, for two different groups if they have the same language or come from the same country. The booking system provides for the agency the option to join the groups in the same place and time. This refers for both 'St Joseph's Church' and for the 'Grotto' (the Lower Basilica)

SOLEMN ENTRANCE AT THE HOLY SEPULCHRE

The Solemn Entrance is accepted maximum twice a week from Monday to Thursday. No Solemn Entrance is accepted on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. The Solemn Entrance is conceded to groups having a minimum of 40 participants and a maximum of 70.

Groups who book the Solemn Entrance to the Holy Sepulchre can celebrate a mass at different place on the same date, except for the Mass at the Holy Sepulchre: it's not allowed to celebrate a mass at the Holy Sepulchre before the Solemn Entrance.



THE SHRINES OF THE CUSTODY OF THE HOLY LAND

Minimum and Maximum Allowed Capacities

The list below provides the minimum and maximum capacities permitted by each Shrine / Altar in the Holy Land.

Shrine / Altar	City	Minimum Capacity	Maximum Capacity
Desert of St. John / Ain Karem Desert	Ain Karem	1	50
St. John Chapel	Ain Karem	1	50
St. John Church	Ain Karem	10	300
Visitation / St. Zachariah's	Ain Karem	1	10
Visitation / Upper Basilica	Ain Karem	9	140
Visitation / Visitation Garden	Ain Karem	1	120
Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre / Solemn Entry	Jerusalem	40	70
Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre / Blessed Sacrament	Jerusalem	20	110
Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre / Crucifixion	Jerusalem	1	55
Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre / Crusaders Chapel	Jerusalem	1	60
Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre / Holy Tomb	Jerusalem	1	40
Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre / Mary Magdalene	Jerusalem	1	150
Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre / Our Lady of Sorrows	Jerusalem	1	30
Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre / Solemn Mass	Jerusalem	30	100
Church	Bethany	15	200
Crusader Chapel	Bethany	1	100
Chapel	Bethfage	1	40
Church	Bethfage	1	70
Basilica / Manger Grotto	Bethlehem	1	15
Basilica / St Jerome	Bethlehem	1	45
Basilica / St. Catherine	Bethlehem	60	800
Basilica / St. Helen	Bethlehem	1	60

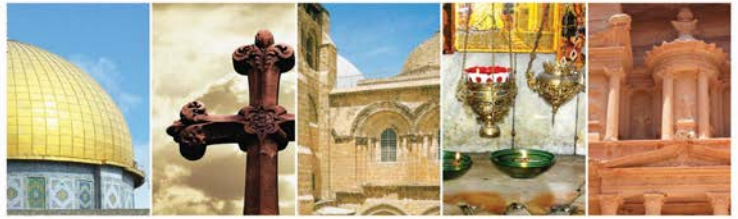


Basilica / St. Joseph	Bethlehem	1	70
Milk Grotto / Upper Chapel	Bethlehem	15	120
Church of the 1st Miracle / Cana Church	Cana	20	140
Church of the 1st Miracle / Divine Mercy	Cana	1	35
Church of the 1st Miracle / St. John Evangelist	Cana	1	100
Church of the 1st Miracle / St. Simon the Cananite (outside)	Cana	1	90
Basilica of The Annunciation - Lower Basilica	Nazareth	5	60
Basilica of The Annunciation - Chapel St. Anna	Nazareth	1	20
Basilica of The Annunciation - St. Joseph's Church	Nazareth	1	180
Basilica of The Annunciation - Upper Basilica	Nazareth	17	1200
Altar near the Lake (outside)	Capernaum's Convent	1	300
St. Peter's Memorial	Capernaum Convent	10	550
Dominus Flevit / Church	Mount of Olives	1	95
Dominus Flevit / Garden	Mount of Olives	1	50
St. Cleophas / Church *	Emmaus (El Qubeibeh)	1	300
Flagellation / Church	Old City - Jerusalem	1	100
Flagellation / Sentence Chapel	Old City - Jerusalem	1	60
Basilica of the Agony / Basilica	Gethsemane	24	700
Basilica of the Agony / Garden Ambo	Gethsemane	1	80
Basilica of the Agony / Garden Virgin Mary	Gethsemane	1	120
Basilica of the Agony / Grotto Apostles	Gethsemane	1	100
Basilica of the Agony / Holy Hour	Gethsemane	1	700
St. Anthony's Church	Jaffa	30	500
St. Peter's Chapel	Jaffa	1	35
St. Peter's Church	Jaffa	1	220
Good Shepherd / Chapel small	Jericho	1	50
Good Shepherd / Church of the Good Shepherd	Jericho	1	200
Basilica of the Transfiguration	Mount Tabor	22	550



Elia's Chapel	Mount Tabor	1	20
Moses Chapel	Mount Tabor	1	26
St. James (outside)	Mount Tabor	1	100
St. Peter Tent (outside)	Mount Tabor	1	100
St. Nicodem's / St. Nicodem's Church	Ramle	1	200
The Big Grotto (1st Altar)	Shepherd's Field	30	100
"In Excelsis" (2nd Altar)	Shepherd's Field	1	50
Angel Chapel (3rd Altar)	Shepherd's Field	1	100
4th Altar	Shepherd's Field	30	150
5th Altar	Shepherd's Field	20	120
6th Altar	Shepherd's Field	1	90
Shepherd's Field / IVVVI Century Church	Shepherd's Field	150	300
St. Saviour's Monastery / Church	Old City Jerusalem	1	500
Primacy of St. Peter / Primacy Amphitheatre (outside)	Tabgha	15	200
Primacy of St. Peter / Primacy John Paul II (outside)	Tabgha	1	55
Primacy of St. Peter / Primacy Paul VI (outside)	Tabgha	1	55
The Cenacle "ad Coenaculum" / Church	Jerusalem	25	120
The Cenacle "ad Coenaculum" / Small Chapel	Jerusalem	1	55

* **Important to note** about Emmaus (El Qubeibeh) St. Cleophas / Church: Al-Qubeiba is a small Palestinian town in the Jerusalem Governorate, located 11 kilometers Northwest of Jerusalem in the northern West Bank. In order to visit this church, groups will need to cross a checkpoint and a special permission is required from the discretion of the civil and military authorities of Israel, which we arrange for and obtain in advance.



THE SHRINES NOT UNDER THE CUSTODY OF THE HOLY LAND

Minimum and Maximum Allowed Capacities	City	Minimum Capacity	Maximum Capacity
Dormition Abbey	Jerusalem	1	250
Ecce Homo Convent	Jerusalem	1	100
Pater Noster Church	Jerusalem	1	100
St. Peter in Gallicantu	Jerusalem	5	200
St. Anne's Church	Jerusalem	20	400
St. Stephen's Church: Domenican Fathers	Jerusalem	10	300
Church of the Resurrection	Abu Gosh	1	100
Church of St. John the Baptist	Acre (Akko)	10	100
Nicopolis	Emmaus	1	250
Stella Maris Church	Haifa	24	120
Church of our Lady, Ark of the Covenant	Kiryat Yearim	1	600
Sacrifice of Elijah	Muhraqa	1	85
Church of Multiplication of Loaves and Fishes	Tabgha	1	150
Mount of Beatitudes Church - St. Mathew Chapel (outside)	Tiberias	1	50
Mount of Beatitudes Church - St. Mark Chapel (outside)	Tiberias	1	50
Mount of Beatitudes Church - St. Luke Chapel (outside)	Tiberias	1	50
Mount of Beatitudes Church - St. John Chapel (outside)	Tiberias	1	50
Mount of Beatitudes Church - Amphitheatre (outside)	Tiberias	100	300
Church of St. Peter's (Latin Parish)	Tiberias	1	80
Boat Chapel – Magdala Center	Tiberias	05	250
Encounter Chapel– Magdala Center	Tiberias	05	80
Mosaic Chapels: The Walking on Water Chapel – Magdala Center	Tiberias	05	50
Mosaic Chapels: The Fishers of Men Chapel – Magdala Center	Tiberias	05	50
Mosaic Chapels: The Mary Magdalene Chapel – Magdala Center	Tiberias	05	50
Mosaic Chapels: The Daughter of Jairus - Magdala Center	Tiberias	05	50