

***IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL*** in  
**GREECE plus TURKEY**

Including **7 Days Greek Isles Cruise!**  
**Thursday, September 20 - Wednesday, October 3, 2018**

**SAN FRANCISCO / SAN FRANCISCO - \$4,599.00**

(Airline taxes included)

Insurance \$252.00 (optional-for pre-existing, must be purchased with deposit)  
Single room supplement/cabin \$1,099.00

**Thursday, September 20, 2018**  
**DEPART SAN FRANCISCO**

Our journey begins as we depart San Francisco to Philadelphia on flight AA1829 at 6:15am.

**Friday, September 21, 2018**  
**ARRIVE ATHENS/KALAMBAKA**

Arrive Philadelphia at 2:38pm and transfer to flight AA758 to Athens at 4:30pm. Arrive Athens at 9:15am where we are greeted by our tour guide and bus driver. We will drive to Kalambaka for dinner and overnight.

**Saturday, September 22, 2018**  
**METEORA/THESSALONIKI**

Visit the unique hanging Byzantine monasteries from the medieval times. There are 24 but only 6 are inhabited. Continue to Veria, "As soon as night came, the believers sent Paul to Berea" (Act 17:10). We will see the Bema where Paul found people who eagerly received his message. Continue to Thessaloniki, the capital of Macedonia where "Paul and Silas traveled on through Amphipolis and came to Thessalonika" (Act 17:1) We will see the Rotonda, Triumphal Arch of Galerius, the sea front and the White Tower. We continue to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

**Sunday, September 23, 2018**  
**PHILIPPI/KAVALA/THESSALONIKI**

Visit the Byzantine churches of St Dimitrius and then drive to Philippi where St Paul had saved the servant women of evil spirit "In the name of Jesus Christ, I order you to come out of her"(Act 16:18) and as a result were thrown with Silas into jail "After a severe beating, they were thrown into jail..." (Acts 16:23). We'll visit the place where Lydia had been baptized "One of those who heard us was Lydia ...After she and the people of her house had been baptized."(Act 16:14-15) the Epistle to the Philippians was written to the people of this city. Continue on to the modern city of Kavala-Neapoli, the sea port where "Paul had arrived from Troas through Samothrace" (Act 16:11). Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

**Monday, September 24, 2018**  
**THESSALONIKI/ATHENS/CRUISE**

After breakfast, we depart the hotel and drive to Athens, passing by many cities and villages. We will have some stops before we arrive to the port to embark on our cruise. Dinner on the ship.

**Tuesday, September 25, 2018**  
**MYKONOS**

We will wake up at the unique famous small island of

Mykonos where we will spend all day and night. We will take an excursion to the sacred island of Delos and Apollo. You will be transported by boat to the ancient harbor of Delos and you will travel back in time. In front of the pier is the "Agora of Hermaists" or "Competialists" with altars and shrines. Further north you will admire the three "Temples of Apollo", the oldest of which was already in used by the 6<sup>th</sup> century. You will find yourself at the "Agora of Theophrastos", and will pass by the "Temple of the Twelve Gods" to eventually reach the "Granite Monument". Next follows the "Avenue of the Lions", which was encircled by full-sized marble lions. The large building complex that rises in front of you is the "Establishment of the Poseidoniasts of Beirut". The excursion comes to an end at Chora with free time for strolling through the alleys and the shops.

**Wednesday, September 26, 2018**  
**MYKONOS/MILOS**

This morning our ship will sail to the famous island of Milos where it will reach there around midday and stay until midnight. A short drive from the harbor takes us to Sarakiniko, an inlet of pure white stone sculpted by volcanic eruptions. We then travel along the picturesque main road along the coast to the cobblestone streets and alleys of Plaka, a classic Cycladic village of white stone houses and bougainvillea flowers 250 meters above the Aegean. Just 100 meters from Plaka lie early Christian catacombs, the largest in Greece, and the ruins of ancient Melos and its Roman amphitheater, which is cut into the rocky slope of the hill near the ancient agora. Our path from the catacombs to the amphitheater takes us through a small olive grove beneath the retaining walls of ancient Melos, where you'll find large Dorian walls and column fragments. On our way back to the bus, we will visit the site where the Venus de Milo (now residing in the Louvre in Paris), was discovered in 1820.

**Thursday, September 27, 2018**  
**SANTORINI**

We will dock at Santorini this morning where we will stay two days. First you head up to Megalochori village, one of the most authentic and unspoiled villages of the island with its distinctive architecture and character. We will continue on to the east, in the background, you will see settlements like Kamari and Monolithos, while you will pass through Fira, the small traditional villages

**Tour Chaplain:**  
**Fr. Jan Rudzewicz**

**What your tour includes:**

- \* **Round trip airline tickets on the above flights**
  - \* **Airlines taxes and fuel surcharges**
  - \* **Pre-cruise fully escorted land tour in private deluxe motor coach with 3 nights accommodation in first class hotels with daily breakfast and dinner**
  - \* **Fully escorted 7 day cruise in outside cabins with all meals and drinks (unlimited!)**
  - \* **Cruise taxes and port fees**
  - \* **Tips on the cruise ship**
  - \* **Shore excursion in Mykonos, Milos, Santorini, Crete and Ephesus**
  - \* **Post cruise: Fully escorted sightseeing tours of Corinth and Athens with 2 nights accommodation in first class hotels**
  - \* **Entrance fees and local taxes**
  - \* **Assistance of a tour guide on land**
  - \* **Assistance of a tour escort on the cruise ship**
- NOT INCLUDED:** Lunches on land, Santorini (Day 2) shore excursion, tips to tour guide and bus driver on land, insurance, and items of personal nature.

of Firostefani and Imerovigli with delicate architecture and beauties, to eventually arrive to the settlement of Oia. In Oia you will have plenty of time to stroll through the marble-paved alleys, to gaze at the adorably cute shops and to take pictures. After your curiosity has been satisfied in the area which is characterized as being of "exceptional natural beauty", we will return to the ship.

**Friday, September 28, 2018**  
**SANTORINI**

Today we can have a free day to enjoy the capital of Fira OR take the cruise to Nea Kamini in the heart of the volcano (optional-\$82.00). The little islands of Palea and Nea Kameni are of particular geological interest, since underneath them lightly slumbers an active volcano. From the cruise ship you will be transported easily within a few minutes by small boat to Nea Kameni which resembles a moon landscape! You will walk up to the verge of the crater, the heart of the volcano, a unique geological phenomenon. The next stop of this special excursion, is Palea (or Palia) Kameni with its therapeutical, warm waters. Finishing your trip in the main town of Santorini, you will descend by funicular (the ticket is included in the fee of this excursion) to the Old Port to reach the cruise ship by small boat.

**Saturday, September 29, 2018**  
**CRETE**

This morning we will dock at Heraklion, Crete, the

home of the great Minoan Civilization. We visit the Knossos excavations dating back to 4000 B.C. This Palace spreads around the large Central Court. You will reach the awe inspiring Throne Room, the fresco of the "Prince of the Lilies", the imposing Grand Staircase, the Queen's Megaron in the east. We will stop in Heraklion on the way back to the ship to see the Basilica of Saint Mark and the Church of Agios Titos.

**Sunday, September 30, 2018**

**KUSADASI/HOUSE OF THE VIRGIN MARY/  
EPHESUS**

We will reach Kusadasi around midday. Today we visit the House of the Virgin Mary. She was taken to this stone house by Saint John and lived there until her Assumption. We will have time for reflection in this holy and peaceful place. Here we will celebrate Mass. Next is Ephesus, dominated by the great 24,000-seat amphitheater, cited in Acts as the place of the apostles' courageous witness. What a privilege to walk these ancient streets in the footsteps of New Testament writers Paul and John! Excavations at Ephesus are ongoing, archaeologists are still digging at the site and have reconstructed much of it, including the beautiful two-story Library of Celsus, The Temple of Hadrian, and the Temple of Artemis (one of the Seven Wonders of the World, the temple once had 129 columns and was the size of a football field). We continue to Kusadasi before returning to cruise ship to sail back to Athens.

**Monday, October 1, 2018**

**DISEMBARK/CORINTH**

Disembark the cruise, meet our bus and guide and drive to the Corinthian Canal, which connects the Aegean and Ionian Seas. Then we will drive to ancient Corinth, visiting the ruins where Paul worked with Aquila and Priscilla, and the First Century shops, the Agora, Temple of Apollo, and the Bema Seat. Still gurgling under the ruins is the water of the springs of the mighty Acropolis above, which once fed the Fountain of Pirene. Continue our drive to Cenchraea, where Paul took a vow and shaved his head. Drive to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

**Tuesday, October 2, 2018**

**ATHENS**

This morning we start our tour of Athens by visiting the important modern and archaeological sites in the city of Athens, the Acropolis and neighboring monuments, including Mars Hill where "So they took Paul and brought him in front of the city council, the Areopagus, and said..."(Act 17:19). We have an opportunity to see other places of interest such as the University, the Academy, the National Library, the Temple of Zeus, the Panathenian Stadium, Omonia Square, Constitution Square and the Royal Palace. We will see the Roman Cathedral of St Dennis dedicated to Dionysius "Some men joined him and believed, among whom was Dionysius, ..." (Act 17:34). We will have free time to explore the ancient portion of the city, just in the front of Acropolis. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

**Wednesday, October 3, 2018**

**DEPART ATHENS/SAN FRANCISCO**

We depart Athens on flight AA759 to Philadelphia at 11:45am. Arrive Philadelphia at 3:55pm and transfer to flight AA1964 to San Francisco at 6:18pm. Arrive San Francisco at 9:19pm

**Itinerary is subject to change without notice.**

## Terms & Conditions

All prices quoted in this flyer are based on airfares, land rates and exchange rates in January 2018 and on group rates of 32-36 or more passengers. All prices are subject to change without notice prior to departure due to major currency fluctuations, fuel prices and/or unforeseen economic circumstances. (aa/36/belisario=gnr+ode)

Please complete the booking form with full names as they appear on passports, and mail it to us with your deposit of \$350 per person plus \$252 insurance (optional-for pre-existing, must be purchased with deposit). Receipt of your deposit shall act as your agreement to the terms and conditions herewith. Balance is due 95 days before departure date. **If you cancel, the following cancellation charges per person will apply: 120 days or more \$50pp; 119-91 days before departure \$350pp; 90-61 days prior to departure date \$1,000pp; 60-31 days prior to departure date \$1,500 pp; 30-1 day prior to departure date or no show – No Refund NO REFUND for any tickets issued.**

**For more information and reservation, please contact:**

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**OR**

**Group Leader: *Linfa Belisario***

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**Tour Operator**



**ADRIATIC PILGRIMAGES**

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**Pilgrims are responsible for ensuring that their Passports are in order and they secure any necessary visas to the countries visited**

### Passenger Booking Form

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_place(s) on the 14 day pilgrimage to Greece including the cruise.

(September 20- October 3, 2018) (sfo-aa) T61 – Linfa Belisario

Yes, I want travel insurance, include payment with your deposit

No, I decline travel insurance

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Photocopy of your passport is required – must be valid 6 months after your return date)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #'s: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Rooming With: \_\_\_\_\_

(Adriatic Tours is not responsible to find you a roommate)

Departing from (City): \_\_\_\_\_

If other than SFO, do you want us to book your flight from your city of departure:  Yes;  No

A deposit of \$350 (by check) plus \$252 Insurance (Optional-for pre-existing, must be purchased with deposit) payable to Adriatic Pilgrimages is required per person at the time of booking but not later than May 18, 2018. Balance is due on or before June 22, 2018. Any bookings after June 23, 2018 is subject to availability plus late fee penalty will apply.

**(SUBMIT THIS BOOKING FORM, PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PASSPORT WITH YOUR DEPOSIT)**

Rates shown reflect discount for payment made by check. You may make your final payment with your credit card, but 4% processing fee will apply. Additional fuel surcharges are subject to change up to 25 days prior to departure date. **NON USA Citizens must obtain visa within three months prior to departure date.**