



**The Journeys of St Paul
A Pilgrimage to
Ephesus, Miletus & Izmir
Led by Fr Allen Morris
13th - 17th October 2018**



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After his dramatic conversion on the road to Damascus, Paul the Apostle spread the Christian faith untiringly throughout the Roman Empire, preaching mainly in synagogues, that Jesus was the Son of God. The present-day pilgrim can follow Paul on his missionary journeys, and also on his final journey to Rome to be tried for his life before the Emperor Nero, where he established new Christian communities and brought support to existing ones. "I want you to be aware, Brothers, that the gospel proclaimed by me was not a gospel according to man, nor did I receive it from any man, but it came to me through a revelation of Jesus Christ." Galatians 1:11 - 12.

Day one - Saturday 13th October 2018

London Stansted - Izmir

We depart Stansted at 12:55 and arrive in the early evening at Izmir Airport. A private coach transfers us to our hotel in the seaside town of Kusadasi for a three-night stay.

Day two - Sunday 14th October

Ephesus

Today we tour the extensive remains of Ephesus with the amphitheatre where St Paul caused a riot (described in Acts 19), and the ruined basilica of St Mary where the council of Ephesus was held in 425, granting Our Lady the title of Theotokos or Bearer of God. We also visit the Archaeological Museum of Ephesus and the Basilica of St John. Afterwards we visit the Terrace Houses (known also as the Rich Houses). Mass will be celebrated during the day.

Day three - Monday 15th October

Shrine of Meryam Ana

We take a trip to the nearby Franciscan-run Shrine of Meryam Ana, the Holy House of Mary, home of Our Lady in her last years and visited by both Paul VI and John Paul II. Mass will be celebrated here. Also nearby is the interesting Byzantine Shrine of the Seven Sleepers.

Day four - Tuesday 16th October

Miletus

Today we visit Miletus, 30 miles south of Ephesus, which was a city visited by St Paul, before he returned to Jerusalem. Here he reminded the elders of Ephesus how he had “served the Lord in all humility”. Visit the ruins of the theatre where St Paul spoke to the Elders. Afterwards we journey to Izmir where we have a brief panoramic tour before transferring to a four-star hotel in Izmir for dinner and overnight. Mass will be celebrated during the day.

Day five - Wednesday 17th October

Izmir - London Stansted

We transfer to Izmir Airport for our return flight which departs mid-morning and arrives at Stansted at 12:15.

This tour involves some walking, some of which will be over irregular surfaces such as cobblestones and badly-maintained walking areas. If everyday walking is something you find difficult, this tour may be unsuitable for you.

This itinerary is subject to change without prior notice

PRICE = £669

Includes:

- Scheduled flights by Pegasus Airlines: Stansted - Izmir - Stansted.
- One piece of check-in luggage up to 20 kg.
- All current UK and Turkey airport departure taxes.
- Four nights accommodation in shared twin-bedded rooms with private facilities in four-star hotels:
13 - 16 Oct. in Kusadasi
16 - 17 Oct. in Izmir
- Four breakfasts, four dinners.
- Transfers and touring by air-conditioned coach as per the itinerary.
- Services of an experienced local English-speaking guide/tour manager while in Turkey.
- Daily Mass.
- Entrance fees as per the itinerary.
- ATOL and ABTA financial protection.

Extras:

- Travel insurance. We offer TAGIS cover at £26 per person. Please read our booking form for details.
- Single room supplement at £56 for four nights (limited number of single rooms available).
- Lunches. Drinks.
- Gratuities to guide, drivers and hotel staff.
- U.K. transfers.
- Catering during the flights.
- Fuel surcharges if passed on by the airline.

To reserve your place on the tour you will need to complete a booking form and return it to Pax Travel with a deposit of £200 (plus the insurance premium if the cover we offer is required) per person. Cheques are to be issued in favour of Pax Travel Ltd. The tour price is guaranteed for bookings Pax Travel receives by 15th January 2018. Any bookings Pax receives after this date may be subject to a flight surcharge. If this arises, we would advise you before processing your booking. The balance payment is due no later than 13th August 2018.

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