

Join Fr. William Kosco & St. Henry Catholic Church of Buckeye, AZ

This pilgrimage will immerse you in the vast cultural and Catholic heritage of Greece. The itinerary features four nights in Athens, one night in Delphi, two nights in Kalambaka and three nights in Thessaloniki. The celebration of Holy Mass will be complemented by a rich touring program designed for pilgrims to walk in the footsteps of Saint Paul. Highlights include Ancient Corinth, the Hosios Loucas Monastery, the Meteora Monasteries, Vergina and finally the cities of Philippi and Thessalonica.

Roundtrip airfare and centrally-located hotels will be arranged. A ProRome tour manager will accompany the group throughout the course of the trip, private bus transportation, Catholic tour guides, all tours and tickets, daily breakfast and daily dinner are included in the price. One daily meal (usually lunch) is the only item not included in the price.

November 9 - 20, 2026

\$3589 per person, Land Only



Every pilgrimage day will include breakfast and either lunch or dinner. Thus pilgrims will be provided two meals daily. The exception would be on travel days when pilgrims will receive one meal.

Monday, November 9 Departure

Departure information TBD.

Tuesday, November 10 Arrival In Greece

Welcome to Greece! Upon our arrival in Athens, we will board our private motorcoach and depart for our hotel, where we will check in and take some time to get settled and freshen up. The group will be given free time for an independent lunch and to sightsee on their own. We will then return to our hotel for a group dinner and overnight in Athens.

Wednesday, November 11 Athens

After breakfast, we will depart our hotel for our first tour of Athens, including sites such as the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Royal Palace, the Panathenaic Stadium, the Temple of

Olympian Zeus, the world-famous Acropolis, and finally the Mars' Hill, known as the Areopagus, where Saint Paul preached the Gospel to the gentile nation.

We will then proceed on a food tour, visiting the Athenian food markets. We will have the chance to indulge and taste local treats while learning some authentic cooking techniques.

In the afternoon we will have the opportunity to participate in a charitable activity, serving the local community in some way. More details forthcoming. In the evening we will share a group dinner together before retiring for the evening at our hotel.

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner Overnight: the four-star Athens Avenue Hotel in Athens

Thursday, November 12 Ancient Corinth & Olive Tasting

After enjoying our breakfast, we will depart for the ancient city of Corinth. It was to Corinth that Saint Paul preached, established a thriving church, and wrote two epistles, which are now part of the New Testament. We will see all the sites associated with his ministry and preaching: the Agora, the Temple of Apollo, the Roman Odeon, and the Bema and Gallio's seat. Before ending the tour and returning to Athens, we will visit the ancient Greek port of Cenchrea (Acts 18:18) where Paul visited during his second missionary journey. Here we will also see the ruins of the early Christian 5th Century Basilica.

In the afternoon, we will be treated to an authentic olive tasting. A guided olive oil tasting session will follow a tour of the olive oil production process. At the completion of the tasting, we will return to Athens for dinner and our overnight stay.

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner Overnight: the four-star Athens Avenue Hotel in Athens

Friday, November 13 Aegina

After breakfast, we will depart for the port where we will embark on a ferry for the island of Aegina. Upon our arrival we will meet our local guide and start the island tour, which will include a visit to the Monastery of St. Nektarios, one of the most striking pilgrimage sites, and the Temple of Aphaea, an ancient sanctuary which offers breathtaking views of the Saronic Gulf. We will then return to port and embark on our ferry ride back to Athens.

We will then enjoy dinner and our last overnight stay in Athens.

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner Overnight: the four-star Athens Avenue Hotel in Athens

Saturday, November 14 Hosios Loucas Monastery

After breakfast, we will board our motorcoach and depart Athens for Delphi. Along the way we will stop at Hosios Loucas Monastery, located on the slopes of Mount Helicon. The Hosios Loukas Monastery was founded in the 10th century and is one of the finest examples of Byzantine architecture in Greece. The monastery is dedicated to Saint Luke the Hermit, whose relics rest within its sacred walls. Famous for its beautiful mosaics and peaceful setting, it is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

We will then continue on to Delphi. Upon our arrival, we will check into our hotel before enjoying a group dinner.

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner Overnight: the four-star Amalia Hotel in Delphi

Sunday, November 15 Delphi

After breakfast, we will check out of our hotel and board the motorcoach. We will then enjoy a guided tour of Delphi, famous for housing the Oracle of Delphia, the priestess Pythia, who was believed to announce prophecies from the god Apollo. In Delphi, we will visit the local archaeological site and museum there. The museum houses an impressive collection associated with ancient Delphi, including the earliest known notation of a melody, the famous Charioteer, golden treasures discovered beneath the Sacred Way, and fragments of reliefs from the Siphnian Treasury. Additionally, near the exit is the inscription that mentions the Roman proconsul, Gallio. This reference to proconsul Gallio provides an important marker for developing a chronology of the life of Saint

In the late afternoon we will then depart Delphi for Kalambaka. Upon our arrival, we will check into our hotel before enjoying a delicious dinner. We will then retire for our overnight stay in Kalambaka.

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner Overnight: the four-star Amalia Hotel in Kalambaka

Monday, November 16 Meteora Monasteries

After breakfast at the hotel, we will depart for a visit to the spectacular Meteora, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, it is a mountainous region of stunning scenery. We will see hundred-year-old Byzantine monasteries perched on the top of huge monoliths, first built in the 14th century by monks seeking isolation and salvation. We will visit the most famous of them, the Holy Monastery of Varlaam and the Holy Monastery of Stephan, where we will admire icons, old manuscripts, unique mosaics and frescoes.

After this tour, we will return back to the hotel for dinner and overnight in Kalambak.

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner Overnight: the four-star Amalia Hotel in Kalambaka



Tuesday, November 17 Veria & Vergina

After breakfast at the hotel, we will check out of the hotel and board our motorcoach. We will depart Kalambaka for Veria (Berea), another town evangelized by Paul (Acts 17.10-14). When Saint Paul visited this town in 50 A.D., he came across a more "noble" Jewish community where he preached the Gospel. This is where Paul met Sopatros, who would later become a valuable comrade who followed him on his return journey to Asia. We will visit the ancient synagogue where we will see the Byzantine mosaic in the monument commemorating his preaching. According to tradition, it was in this exact place where the saint preached.

We will board our motorcoach and proceed on our way to Thessaloniki. Along the way, we will stop to visit Vergina, the site of the ancient city of Aigai, the first capital of the Macedonian Kingdom and the burial place of its royal family. It gained global fame with the discovery of the Royal Tombs, including the tomb of Philip II, father of Alexander the Great. The site features remarkable treasures such as the golden larnax adorned with the Vergina Sun, intricate wall paintings, and finely crafted weapons and jewelry.

We will arrive in Thessaloniki in the late afternoon. We will check-in to our hotel, freshen up, and then enjoy a delicious dinner before retiring for the evening.

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner Overnight: the four-star Capsis Hotel in Thessaloniki

Wednesday, November 18 Philippi & Kavala At the conclusion of breakfast, we will depart for Kavala, also known as the ancient site of Neapolis, founded in the 7th century B.C. It is in this very place where St. Paul set foot on the European continent during his second missionary journey, establishing a thriving Christian community in the nearby city of Philippi. The famous Via Egnatia, which once ran from the Adriatic Sea to Constantinople, passed by this city. On the way to Philippi we will have the opportunity to view the St. Sylas Monastery named after one of St. Paul's companions.

We will then arrive in Philippi, one of the most interesting biblical and historical ancient cities. It is here in Philippi where Brutus and Cassius were defeated by Mark Antony and Junavian Augustus, granting the city of Philippi a great many privileges. From here, we will drive a short distance to where Lydia, the first European convert, was baptized by St. Paul. After this, we will return to the archaeological site for a guided tour through the excavations, marvelling at the upper and lower parts as well as the forum, the walls, the two basilicas and the theatre. Additionally, we will also see the prison, which once held St. Paul and St. Silas inside. After lunch, we will do a short tour of Kavala (the ancient Neapolis) before driving back to Thessaloniki for our dinner and overnight stay.

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner Overnight: the four-star Capsis Hotel in Thessaloniki

Thursday, November 19 Thessaloniki

At the conclusion of breakfast, we will depart our hotel for a guided tour of Thessaloniki, the

city where Paul preached the gospel in his second and third missionary journey. It was to the early Christian church in this city that Paul wrote two epistles. We will visit the Cathedral of St. Demetrius, the Church of Saint Sofia, the White Tower, the Byzantine fortress of the city, and the triumphal Arch of Galerius starting at the Via Egnatia.

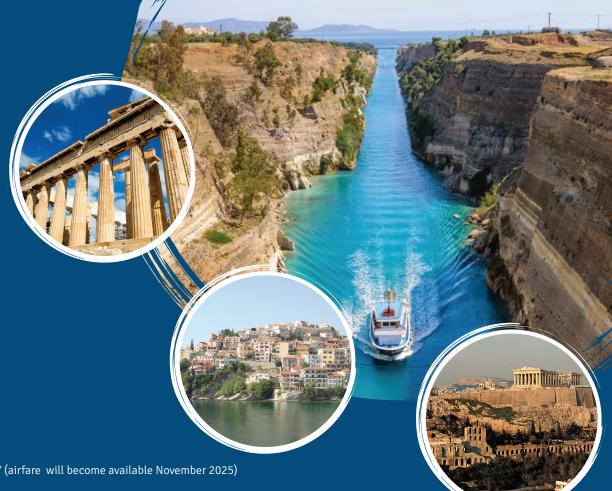
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Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner Overnight: the four-star Capsis Hotel in Thessaloniki

Friday, November 20 Departure

After breakfast, we will check out of our hotel and depart for the Thessaloniki airport, where we will board our return flight back to the USA.





More Details

Final Cost

\$3589 per person, LAND ONLY (airfare will become available November 2025)

Payment Schedule

\$300 - ProRome Registration Fee - Due upon Registration

50% - Due April 10, 2026

50% - Due June 12, 2026

\$599 - Single Occupancy Surcharge (If Applicable) - Due June 12, 2026

Price Inclusions

- 4 overnights hotel accommodation in Athens
- 1 overnight hotel accommodation in Delphi
- 2 overnights hotel accommodation in Kalambaka
- 3 overnights hotel accommodation in Thessaloniki
- ProRome Tour Manager throughout the course of the trip
- Ancient Corinth tour with English speaking Licensed Guide including entrance fees
- Aegina island full day tour with English speaking Licensed Guide, including roundtrip high-speed ferry tickets, and entrance fees to Temple of Aphaea
- Athens sightseeing tour with English Speaking Licensed Guide including entrance fees to Acropolis site
- Private Land tour with English Speaking Guide including entrance to Delphi, Meteora 2 Monasteries, Vergina, Philippi
- All meals per program (daily breakfast and either lunch or dinner)
- Olive oil tasting experience in Delphi
- One Bottle of Mineral Water per person per day
- All Transfers and tours with Modern A/C bus with Free Wi-fiincluded
- Hotel taxes

Price Exclusions

- Any personal expenses
- Airport and Hotel Porterage and Trolleys
- Any other service not mentioned above
- Gratuities for Tour Manager and bus driver (suggested \$25-\$30 per person for each)
- Climate Resilience Overnight Tax, paid directly to hotels, for 3* hotels € 7, for 4* hotels € 10, for 5* hotels, € 15 per room / per night
- Trip Insurance (available for purchase through ProRome)



