

Join Fr. Pedro Martinez on a Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe & Mexico City



MARCH 20-25, 2023

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INCLUSIONS

Your Trip Includes:

- † Round-trip airfare from Dallas (DFW)
- † Airport Taxes and Fuel Surcharges
- † 5 nights accommodation at centrally located first class hotels as follows: (or similar)
 - ~ 5 nights: March 20 – 25: Galeria Plaza, Mexico City
- † Breakfast and Dinner daily at your hotel or local restaurants
- † Lunch every day at local restaurants (except on day of arrival/departure)
- † Wine and mineral water with dinners
- † Free Wi-Fi at Hotel
- † Transfers as per itinerary
- † Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach
- † Wireless headsets where needed
- † Assistance of a professional local Catholic Guide
- † Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- † Mass daily & Spiritual activities
- † Luggage handling (1 piece per person)
- † Flight bag & Portfolio of all travel documents



Not Included: *Airline check in luggage fee.* Meals not mentioned, Tips to your guide & driver.

Optional: Travel Insurance optional (www.206tours.com/insurance/), Supplemental Protection Plan \$399 (www.206tours.com/cancelforanyreason/)

SAMPLE DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

Day 1 | Monday, March 20: Depart for Mexico City

Make your way to your local airport where you will board your flight(s) to Mexico City. Upon arrival, you will collect your luggage in the baggage claim area, and continue to the Arrival's Hall where you will be greeted by a tour guide and/or driver. Transfer to your hotel. Enjoy free time before celebrating Mass (subject to arrival time) and dinner. Overnight in Mexico City.

Day 2 | Tuesday, March 21: Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe and San Juan Teotihuacan

After breakfast, depart for the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Patroness of the Americas), by way of the Plaza of the Three Cultures. You will first visit the Church of Santiago Tlatelolco where St. Juan Diego was baptized. This plaza symbolizes the unique blend of the pre-Hispanic, and Hispanic cultures that make up Mexico. Continue to the Shrine of Guadalupe, built in response to Our Lady's request to the visionary, St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin. Upon arrival, you will marvel at the brilliant Basilica. Visit the various points of interest in the Tepeyac area surrounding the Basilica, each associated with the story of the apparitions of Our Lady. We see the original chapel on the exact site of the apparitions to Juan Diego (Capilla del Cerro) and the Old Basilica completed in 1709. One special stop is La Capilla del Pocito (Chapel of the Little Well) – a well which opened under the feet of the Virgin. We will join the other pilgrims as you kneel in front of the "Tilma", where Our Lady's image was miraculously imprinted. Following this visit, you will make your way to San Juan Teotihuacan, this site was chosen to be the center of the universe, and from then on, it became a prominent political and religious center from the second century until the ninth century. While in San Juan Teotihuacan, you will enjoy lunch at a nearby restaurant, followed by a guided tour of the Archaeological zone. View the pyramids of the Sun and Moon and learn how the Aztecs used to work the obsidian stone and the multiple uses of the Maguey Plant. Your fun-filled busy day will culminate with a dinner and an overnight at your hotel.

Day 3 | Wednesday, March 22: Blessed Miguel Pro in Mexico City - Viva Cristo Rey!

This morning, your day will begin with breakfast, followed by Mass at the Holy Family Church, where you will view the tomb of Fr. Miguel Agustin Pro, the Jesuit martyr. In a time of great religious persecutions, Fr. Pro was exiled from Mexico during the Mexican Revolution. However, he returned to Mexico and was aided by a secret ministry who helped him hide from authorities. During his time in Mexico, he assisted many individuals in their spiritual, as well as temporal, needs. He was eventually discovered, arrested and killed by authorities. Pray to this great martyr who remained filled with the joy of serving Our Lord even in the midst of very difficult

times. You will also visit the small but very inspiring Museum dedicated in honor of Father Pro. After this visit, you will tour the oldest and largest Cathedral in all of Latin America, the Metropolitan Cathedral of the Assumption of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven. You will be overwhelmed by the stunning paintings, altar pieces, and statues. Continue the day with a visit to the Plaza of Santo Domingo. This plaza contains two Holy places that are architecturally exquisite; the Church of Santo Domingo, the first church built by the Dominicans in 1576 and; the Shrine of Our Lady of the Rosary, the first Rosary Shrine in Mexico. Return to your hotel for dinner and rest before the next day of activities.

Day 4 | Thursday, March 23: Excursion to Puebla

A fun-filled day is ahead of you. Enjoy a spectacular drive to what is known as Mexico's most beautiful city - Puebla. On your ride, you will climb to over 10,000 feet above sea level, and view two magnificent peaks; one that is covered with snow and the other that is an active volcano. On our sightseeing tour we will visit: the Cathedral dedicated to the Immaculate Conception, a treasure of colonial art, the Church of St. Dominic to admire the Chapel of Our Lady of the Rosary built in 1690. This is an outstanding example of Mexican Baroque, with dazzling use of gilded stucco and onyx stonework. The Church of St. Francis of Assisi, where you will view the incorrupt body of St. Sebastian of Aparicido and time for shopping at the local Parian market with its colorful, glazed pottery. Enjoy a typical poblano lunch will Mole tasting be served at a local restaurant. Return to Mexico City for dinner and an overnight.

Day 5 | Friday, March 24: Church of Tulpetlac - Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe

After breakfast, transfer to the Church of the 5th Apparition, where the Blessed Virgin Maria de Guadalupe appeared to Juan Bernardino, Juan Diego's uncle. Here you can find a well of healing water which locals drink from. Next, a return visit to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe to attend Mass, and bid farewell to Mary the Mother of God. Free time in the afternoon before dinner out with Mariachis entertainment and your last overnight in Mexico.

Day 6 | Saturday, March 25: Mexico City - Return Home to the USA

This morning, transfer to the airport for your return flight(s) home. You will say farewell to friends and a pilgrimage that will last in your memory for years to come.

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