

Tekton Ministries

"Serving God's people on their journey of faith"



Pilgrimage to Medjugorje & Retreat with Fr. Zlatko Sudac

November 24th - December 4th, 2017



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Retreat with: Fr. Zlatko Sudac

Organized & Guided by: Ann Vucic



Pilgrimage Summary

Pilgrims will first travel to the small village of Medjugorje, in Bosnia-Herzegovina, where the Mother of God has allegedly been appearing daily since June 24, 1981.

Six young people from this village state that the Blessed Virgin Mary has appeared to them, and that she has come to this remote part of the world to bring messages of peace and conversion for all people. In her messages, she stresses the need for each person to turn to turn their hearts back to God. She urges all of us to place God first in our lives and in our families, and she gives us the methods for doing this; daily conversion, prayer of the heart, fasting, penance, Mass, monthly confession, reading the Holy Bible and living it.

Pilgrims will spend 5 full days in Medjugorje, participating in the daily spiritual life of St. James



Church, which includes the English Mass, the evening program of prayer and adoration, as well as additional activities as outlined in the itinerary.

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Next, pilgrims will travel to the town of Malinska, on Krk Island, in the northern Adriatic Sea of Croatia, where you will attend a 3 day retreat with Fr. Zlatko Sudac, a Croatian stigmatist priest, whose stigmata is in the form of a cross on his forehead and the wounds of Christ on his body. Fr. Sudac received the cross on his forehead in May 1999, 11 months after his



ordination, and the rest of the wounds in October 2000. As anyone who has ever encountered Fr. Sudac can attest, an encounter with him is a powerful and life-changing experience. Though he has many gifts of the Holy Spirit, one of his greatest gifts is the gift of preaching, through which it is always his intention to lead souls deeper into the heart of Christ and the Church.

Finally, pilgrims will end their journey with an overnight stay in the capital city, Zagreb, where you will experience the beginning of Christmas celebrations in Croatia by exploring the sights, sounds and scents of Croatia's most famous Christmas market, taking place just steps away from our hotel in the main square of the city. As you meander from stall to stall exploring all that the Christmas market has to offer and as you try new and festive foods and beverages, you will receive a new understanding of Croatian culture and its people. This will be a wonderful, relaxing and festive way to end this powerful pilgrimage journey in Croatia.



Pilgrimage Itinerary

Day 1: Depart USA

Flight from Chicago to Split. Meals served on flight.

Day 2: Medjugorje

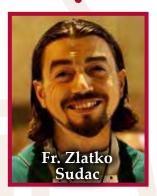
Upon arrival in Split, we will drive to Medjugorje. Dinner will be waiting for us upon arrival.

Day 3-7: Our activities will include:

On our first full day in Medjugorje, Ann will provide you with a comprehensive orientation about Medjugorje and the apparitions, and you will be a given a brief tour of the area, so that you are familiar with everything.

- We will have two meals each day at our pansion (breakfast every morning, and either lunch or dinner, depending on the events scheduled that day). There are many restaurants in Medjugorje for people who may wish to have a third meal each day.
- We will be able to attend the Holy Mass in English every day at St. James church (usually at 10:00 am), with English speaking pilgrims from throughout the world.
- We will be able to participate in the international program of prayer each evening, which includes the rosary, the availability of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the international Mass for all pilgrims, prayers for healing and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
- **Day 9:** Retreat day. Talks by Fr. Sudac, healing and deliverance prayers, Holy Mass. Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.
- Day 10: Morning session with Fr. Sudac, followed by Holy Mass. Retreat concludes with lunch. After lunch, drive 2-3 hours to Zagreb, check into hotel for overnight in Zagreb. Explore Zagreb's main Christmas market, located just feet away from our hotel. Dinner at hotel.
- **Day 11:** Mid-morning departure for Zagreb airport, taking home with us wonderful memories of our journey with Our Lady in Medjugorje and Fr. Zlatko Sudac from his retreat.







- We will climb Apparition Hill, site where Our Lady first appeared to the visionaries.
- You will have the option of climbing Cross Mountain, praying the Stations of the Cross as we ascend to the summit.
- We will visit the Cenacolo Community, where young people with various addictions will share their testimonies about how they found freedom and a new life through prayer, work, and the Sacraments.
- We will visit the Oasis of Peace community and hear their testimony. They are a religious community which was founded as a fruit of Medjugorje.
- We will hear talks by visionaries when possible.
- We will hear talks by Medjugorje priests and other locals, when possible.
- We will have a day trip outside of Medjugorje, where we will visit Siroki Brijeg a Franciscan Monastery which is the site of the martyrdom of 30 Franciscan Friars during WW 2. We will also visit the parish of Tihaljina, to hear a talk by a Franciscan Friar.
- There will be plenty of time for shopping as well, so that you can bring back a piece of Medjugorje to your loved ones at home.

Many of these activities will be subject to availability and weather. You will always have the option of participating in group activities or spending time by yourself.

Day 8: Early morning departure from Medjugorje, for the 6-7 hour drive to Krk Island. We will stop for lunch somewhere on the drive, and then arrive at the hotel in the afternoon. Retreat with Fr. Sudac begins at 5:00 pm, with introductory talk and Holy Mass, followed by dinner.

Pilgrimage Retreat Price: \$1,995.00

per person/double occupancy For a single occupancy please add \$120.00 (not available for the retreat days with Fr. Sudac)

These rates include:

- * Roundtrip economy class airfare from Chicago O'Hare on Lufthansa/Croatian Airlines
- * 6 nights accommodation in Medjugorje at the Hotel Cesarica Pansion or similar
- * 2 nights accommodation on Krk Island at the Hotel Malin
- * 1 night accommodation in Zagreb at the Hotel Dubrovnik or similar
- * Retreat on Krk Island with Fr. Zlatko Sudac
- * All hotel taxes and service charges
- * Breakfast and dinner at the hotels as scheduled
- * Arrival and departure transfers by private motorcoach to and from Medjugorje, Krk Island, and Zagreb (including side trips as in itinerary)

These rates do not include:

- * Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently \$395.56 but subject to change until the time of ticketing)
- * Porterage
- * Gratuities
- * Drinks with meals, extras at hotels, any expenses of a personal nature and any items not specifically mentioned in the inclusions above

Departures from other airports available upon request.

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Reservations and Payment: Tekton Ministries requires a deposit of \$300.00 per person at the time of booking. This deposit forms a part of your final payment which is due 75 days prior to departure. Reservations made within 74 days of departure must be accompanied by payment in full. Payments made by credit card will incur a convenience fee. Any reservations received within 45 days of departure will incur a late booking fee of \$100.00 per person. This pilgrimage is based upon a minimum of 21 total pilgrims. Surcharges may be assessed for a smaller group size.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be in writing. The following per person cancellation charges will apply in addition to any any airline penalties and charges incurred by our suppliers: If canceled 91 days or more prior to departure, a \$75.00 administrative fee will be charged. If canceled 90 - 31 days prior to departure, \$175.00 will be charged. If canceled 30 - 15 days prior to departure, \$450.00 will be charged. If canceled 14 - 7 days prior to departure \$700.00 will be charged. No refunds will be made within 6 days of departure. In addition, once the airline tickets have been issued, 100% of the airfare is non-refundable unless you have been advised otherwise at the time of your booking.

Travel Documents: A passport which is valid for 6 months past the date of your return flight home is required of all U. S. citizens. However, U.S. citizens do not require visas for Croatia or Bosnia-Herzegovina. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please call to find out if you need a visa. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for individual visas or passports.

Hotels: Accommodations are based on double occupancy rooms with private facilities. A limited number of single rooms are available at the supplement quoted and should be requested at the time of booking.

Air Transportation: Air travel is in economy class on Lufthansa/ Croatian Airlines. Fares are based upon levels in effect at the time of printing and fares and flight schedules are subject to change without notice. Note that any ticketing changes made within 90 days of your departure date will incur airline penalties.

Baggage: Each passenger is allowed one checked bag and one carryon. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen baggage.

Travel Insurance: We strongly recommend that you purchase comprehensive travel insurance for your trip. Registration information will be provided upon receipt of your deposit.

Not Included: Passport/visa fees, Airline taxes/fuel surcharges, currently \$395.56 per person (subject to change until the time of ticketing), gratuities to drivers, and hotel/restaurant staff, porterage, personal travel insurance, laundry, beverages and items not on the regular menu of included meals, excess baggage charges, optional sightseeing and expenses of a personal nature.

Refunds: Subject to the foregoing Cancellation Terms, upon cancellation of travel related services, all sums paid to Tekton Ministries/George's International Tours for such services will be promptly returned to the passenger, <u>provided</u> the passenger has not caused such cancellation and is not in violation of any of the terms and conditions previously, clearly and conspicuously disclosed and agreed to by the passenger. This refund provision does not apply where Tekton Ministries/George's International Tours has remitted

the payment to another registered seller of travel or a carrier and they default in providing the agreed-upon transportation or service without providing a refund. In such a situation, Tekton Ministries/ George's International Tours agrees to provide passenger with a written statement accompanied by a copy of the bank records establishing the disbursement of the payment, and if disbursed to a seller of travel, proof of their current registration.

Trust Account Disclosure: California law requires certain sellers of travel to have a trust account or bond. George's International Tours has such a trust account.

Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation ("TCRC"): George's International Tours is a participant in the Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation ("TCRC"). You, the passenger, may request reimbursement from TCRC if George's International Tours was registered and participating in the TCRC at the time of sale and the passenger is located in California at the time of payment. Please be advised that passengers purchasing from outside of California are not covered by the TCRC. Eligible passengers may file a claim with TCRC if the passenger is owed a refund of more than \$50 for transportation or travel services which George's International Tours failed to forward to a proper provider or if such money was not refunded to you when required. The maximum amount, which may be paid by the TCRC to any one passenger is the total amount paid on behalf of the passenger to George's International Tours, not to exceed \$15,000. A claim must be submitted to the TCRC within six months after the scheduled completion date of the travel. A claim must include sufficient information and documentation to prove your claim and a \$35 processing fee. You must agree to waive your right to other civil remedies against a registered participating Seller of Travel for matters arising out of a sale for which you file a claim with the TCRC, if you were located in California at the time of the sale. You may request a claim form by writing to: Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation, P.O. Box 6001, Larkspur, CA 94977-6001; or by faxing a request to 415-927-7698.

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