

EASTERN AFRICA PILGRIMAGE TOUR

JUNE 16 - 30, 2017









HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PILGRIMAGE

NAIROBI, KENYA

ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA HIGH SCHOOL

NYUMBANI ORPHANAGE

JESUIT MINISTRIES IN THE EASTERN AFRICA PROVINCE

> MASAI MARA GAME PARK AND SAFARI

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WHAT MAKES THIS A PILGRIMAGE?

Pilgrims go on a journey far from the security of home in search of deeper spiritual conversion. Think of it as a retreat, an extraordinary learning opportunity in the classroom of life, and an opportunity for some exhilarating fun.

This pilgrimage will break your heart and heal it again and again. Local experts will teach us about the challenges facing Africa today. We will learn about the great work being done at **St. Aloysius Gonzaga High School** and have opportunities to interact with students and faculty. We will pray daily and reflect on what we experience. On our mini-safari, we will witness breathtaking vistas and marvel at the wonder of God's creation.

This pilgrimage is not for the faint of heart. It is for those who are willing to peer into the shadows of life and embrace the joy that faithful courage can bring. This is the kind of religious experience that will challenge and change your understanding of where God is found in our world. We invite you to join us on this spiritual adventure quest.

Experience St. Aloysius Gonzaga High School in Kibera slum in Nairobi, Kenya



Celebrate St. Al's Feast Day with students and staff on Sunday, June 25, 2017. Students at St. Al's have lost one or both of their parents to AIDS. This Jesuit school gives these students hope for a bright future by providing a solid high school education and graduate program as well. Through the generosity of numerous benefactors, a new school was built in 2010 that has

twelve classrooms, three science laboratories, a chapel, two computer centers, a library, several offices, and a dining hall.

Trip to Masai Mara

Includes lodging for two nights at the Sarova Mara Resort and meals. Travel to Masai Mara will be by van and there will be plenty to see as you travel the Kenya countryside through the Rift Valley Overlook. **www.masaimara.org**



Lodging at Rosa Mystica Spiritual Centre

We will be staying at Rosa Mystica Spiritual Centre, a very comfortable facility a few miles from St. Al's. This package includes a guest room and two meals (breakfast and supper) for 10 nights. Dining at a variety of local restaurants each day for lunch is also included. www.rosamysticakenya.org

PILGRIMAGE PACKAGE

Cost per person: \$2,300 USD

Attractions

All entrance fees and transportation to and from all museums and places of interest are included.

Deposit required

A minimum deposit of 50% (\$1,150/Person) is due ASAP.

Airfare

(Not included, arrange on your own) Most flights will depart from a US destination on June 16th and have a layover in Europe. Schedule a flight to arrive at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in Nairobi, Kenya Airport on the evening of June 17th. Return flight departing from Kenya on the evening of June 29th arriving in the US on June 30th. If your airline arrives in the morning or its frequency is less than daily, we recommend that you arrive earlier or stay later; any charges for extra accommodation are minimal.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Tourist Visa

Each pilgrim will need to secure their own tourist visa for "single entry" into Kenya. Visas can be purchased at the airport in Kenya for \$50 USD if the passport is valid for not less than 6 months. Travelers with newer passports can visit http://kenyaembassy.com/visa.html for more details and an application for a tourist visa.

Vaccinations

Official certification is not required for entry. However, immunizations are strongly recommended for Yellow Fever, Hepatitis A, Typhoid and Malaria when visiting Kenya. Consult a doctor for more details.



OUR SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

Daniel G. O'Hare, SJ, PhD, a Jesuit priest, currently lectures in Medical Ethics at New York Medical College and is is an adjunct professor in the Master of Anesthesia Education Program and the Master of Health Care Management in the Graduate School of Business Administration of Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington. Dr. O'Hare also participates in the ACGME curriculum for medical residents in the Connecticut and regularly lectures to nurses, respiratory and physical therapists, and mortuary science students.

He is the consultant ethicist to several hospitals and health care agencies and previously held the position as the first institutional ethicist at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York. He has published in the areas of Ethics, AIDS, and Physician-Assisted Suicide.

A frequent speaker, both nationally and internationally, Dr. O'Hare was awarded a Visiting Professorship in Ethics in Australia and was named a Harris Fellow by the American Bureau for Medical Advancement in China, lecturing extensively at medical and nursing schools in Asia. Most recently, he presented at an international congress on palliative care in Berlin, Germany. Serving on many boards, he was also invited to join that of the Foundation for Hospices in Sub-Saharan Africa.

In addition, with over thirty years' experience with terminally ill patients, their families, and loved ones, Dr. O'Hare has been involved in grief counseling and conducts a bereavement series through the auspices of a number of funeral homes in the New York area.

DAILY ITINERARY



FRIDAY, JUNE 16

Afternoon Leave USA

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

Night Arrive Nairobi

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

Morning Mass at Kangemi Jesuit Parish and

lunch with the Jesuit community

Afternoon National Museum and Shopping at

Masai Market, tour Downtown and site of the 1998 US Embassy Bombing

Evening Supper at Carnivore of Nairobi

MONDAY, JUNE 19

Morning Giraffe Centre

Karen Blixen Museum

Mwangaza Jesuit Retreat House



MONDAY, JUNE 19 (continued)

Afternoon Presentations on culture, religion, history, and politics of

Kenya

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

Morning Visit St. Al's, beginning at the original site and walking

through the Kibera slum

Afternoon Visit St. Al's – meet with faculty staff, students and graduates

Visit Christian Life Community National Office and

Introduction to Zaidi Centre

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

Morning Jesuit Refugee Service regional office

Afternoon Visit Hekima College (Jesuit School of Theology)

Presentation on proposed Jesuit University of Eastern Africa

Meet Jesuits in Formation for Tea

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

Morning Lea Toto – Jesuit founded program to serve AIDS-infected

children in slums; Visit families in their homes



THURSDAY, JUNE 22 (continued)

Afternoon Jesuit Hakimani Centre

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

Morning Visit Dollycraft, Upendo, and other projects of

Kangemi Jesuit Parish

Afternoon Visit African Jesuit Aids Network (AJAN)

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

Morning Visit Nyumbani (Jesuit founded orphanage for AIDS-

infected children)

Afternoon Visit Bomas of Kenya – traditional dance and tribal villages

Evening Meet the Jesuit Provincial

Supper at Loyola House Jesuit Community

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

All Day Feast of St. Aloysius Gonzaga - traditional African

celebration at the high school



MONDAY, JUNE 26

Morning Depart to Masai Mara National ReserveAfternoon

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

All Day Masai Mara

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

Afternoon Return from Masai Mara

Evening Carnivore Restaurant or alterna-

tive final festive meal

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

Morning Group Recollection

Pack for departure

Afternoon Final Visit to St. Aloysius

Evening Depart for the USA

FRIDAY, JUNE 30

Noon Arrive in the USA





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