

Pilgrimage to MEXICO June 26 - July 01, 2025

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Your Pilgrimage Includes:

- Round-trip airfare
- Airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- 5 nights accommodation at centrally located first class hotels as follows: (or similar)
 - 5 nights: Jun 26 Jul 01: Sheraton Mexico City Maria Isabel Hotel, Mexico City
- 4 nights optional post-tour to Riviera Maya:
 4 nights: Jul 01 05: Wyndham Maya Resort, Playa Del Carmen
- · 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
- Whisper headsets where needed
- Assistance of a professional local Catholic guide
- Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- Daily Mass and spiritual activities
- Luggage handling (1 piece per person)
- Flight bag & PDF confirmation of all travel documents

Sample Daily Itinerary

Day 1, Thu, Jun 26: 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 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, Fri, Jun 27: 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 is important as it 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 Cuauhtlatoatzin. Upon arrival at the Shrine, you will celebrate Mass as you marvel at the brilliantly colored Basilica. Following Mass, we 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 Cerrito) 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, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. According to mythology, 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 delicious dinner and an overnight at your hotel.

Day 3: Mexico City - Blessed Miguel Pro – Santo Domingo Church -Blessed Conchita Cabrera

This morning after breakfast you will depart for Holy Family Church, where you will view the tomb of the Jesuit martyr, Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro. During the Mexican Revolution, Fr. Pro was exiled from Mexico due to the great amount of religious persecution. Yet he bravely returned to Mexico and was aided by a clandestine group that helped him hide from the authorities. He assisted many individuals in their spiritual and temporal needs during the persecution. Although he helped many, he was eventually arrested and killed. His final words before the firing squad were "Viva Cristo Rey!" which translates to "Long Live Christ the King!" At Holy Family Church, you can venerate this saint's relics and ask for his intercession. We will also celebrate Mass here and visit the small yet inspiring museum dedicated to Fr. Pro's life, mission, and sacrifice. We will continue to the Church of Santo Domingo, which stands on the same site where the first temple was built after the conquest of the Dominicans. Inside the church you will see several chapels, and you will have the opportunity to pray the rosary in the chapel dedicated to the Virgin of the Rosary. Another chapel is dedicated to the Spanish Virgin of Covadonga (patroness of the Asturian Immigrants), and another is dedicated to the "Lord of the Rebozo." This church is also significant for the historical characters buried here, such as Francisco Vazquez de Coronado. Next we will have lunch near the city center before continuing to the Church of San José del Altillo to see the crypt where Blessed Conchita Cabrera is buried. Blessed María Concepción Cabrera Arias de Armida, known as Conchita, was a model of holiness as a wife, mother, widow, grandmother, and founder.

Because of the depth of her writings, Conchita is recognized as a great mystic of the 20th century. In addition to her voluminous writings, Conchita founded several apostolates under the banner of "Works of the Cross." Pope Saint John Paul II declared her Venerable on December 20, 1999, and Pope Francis confirmed a miracle that was attributed to Conchita on June 8, 2018. She was beatified in Mexico City on May 4, 2019. Time for prayers and personal devotions will be provided. Your day will conclude with another delicious dinner and overnight stay at your hotel.

Day 4, Sun, Jun 29: Excursion to Puebla

A fun-filled day is ahead of you. Enjoy a spectacular drive to what is known as Mexico's most beautify city: Puebla. You will drive 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. We will visit the Cathedral dedicated to the Immaculate Conception and 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. See 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, Mon, Jun 30: 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 from which locals drink. 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, Tue, Jul 01: Return Home

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.

Or for pilgrims taking post tour to Riviera Maya:

Day 6, Tue, Jul 01: Mexico City - Cancun

After breakfast transfer to airport for your short flight to Cancun Airport. Upon arrival in Cancun you will be transferred to your hotel in Cancun. Enjoy dinner and overnight.

Day 7 - 9, Wed - Fri, Jul 02 - 04: Cancun

Enjoy three days of rest, relaxation, and recreation at your beachfront resort. Breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks are included. Unlimited premium alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages will also be included.

Day 10, Sat, Jul 05: Depart Cancun for the U.S.

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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