

Jordan & Holy Land with Fr Philip Connor

20th April 2026 - 27th April 2026

Monday 20th April

arrive Amman

12:30 Check-in 3 hours before departure at Manchester Airport T2.

- Go to Royal Jordanian check-in and present your passport. Checked hold bag included

15:35 Flight RJ1116 to Amman departs

- A hot meal is usually served onboard

23:05 Arrive at Amman Airport

- You will be met at Amman airport and transferred to your hotel and check in.
- Grand Palace Hotel, Queen Alia St, Amman



Amman Citadel



View from Mount Nebo

Tuesday 21st April Mt Nebo, Baptism Site

- After breakfast you will drive to **Madaba**, approx 1 hours drive and visit the 6thC **Madaba mosaic floor map**.

11:00 MASS at Mount Nebo

- Explore the place where Moses saw the Promised Land and then died. Amazing mosaics and views
- After lunch you will visit **The Baptism site at Bethany Beyond the Jordan**. Visit the new Catholic Cathedral inaugurated in January 2026, and walk the way of the Cross
- Return to Amman and dinner at the hotel

Wednesday 22nd April

Petra

- After early breakfast drive to **Petra**. A 3 hour drive through the desert. You will stop at a convenient tourist shop with lots to buy after 1.5 hours
- On arrival you will have a guided tour of Nabataean city. Expect to walk at least 5km entering through the narrow gorge of the Siq opening up spectacularly
- **Mass (tbc)** in covered remains of 5thC basilica within the site. Fine mosaics discovered in 1990s.
- There are many cafes and stalls selling things throughout the site
- Return drive to Amman hotel for dinner



The Treasury, Petra



Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem

Thursday 23rd April

Bethlehem

- After breakfast you will drive to the King Hussein/Allenby Bridge border crossing. Complete Israeli border controls and be picked up on the Israel side by your local guide and driver.
- Drive approx 1 hour to Bethlehem. Visit the Church of the Nativity and St Jerome's cave

15:00 • **Mass at Shepherds Fields**

- Check in to Rosary Sisters guest house, Bethlehem
- Dinner at Grotto restaurant, Beit Sahour

Friday 24th April

Jerusalem

- After early breakfast drive to Jerusalem approx 30 minutes

09:00 Mass at St Ann's church

- Walk the Via Dolorosa through the Old City to Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Lunch
- Drive to Mount Zion, Visit Church of the Dormition, the Upper Room, St Peter Gallicantu
- Continue to Mount of Olives, Pater Noster church and Garden of Gethsemane
- Return to Bethlehem for dinner at local restaurant and stay Rosary Sisters guesthouse



Olive tree in the Garden of Gethsemane



Capernaum

Saturday 25th April

Nazareth

- After breakfast drive north to Lake Galilee approx 2.5 hours
- Visit the Mount of Beatitudes site of the Sermon on the Mount .
- Continue to Tabhga miracle of the loaves and fishes.
- Continue to Capernaum where Jesus lived and preached.
- Visit Magdala archaeological site, 1stC fishing village discovered and excavated since 2009

tbc Mass in Boat Chapel at Magdala

- Stay at Rosary Sisters Nazareth and dinner

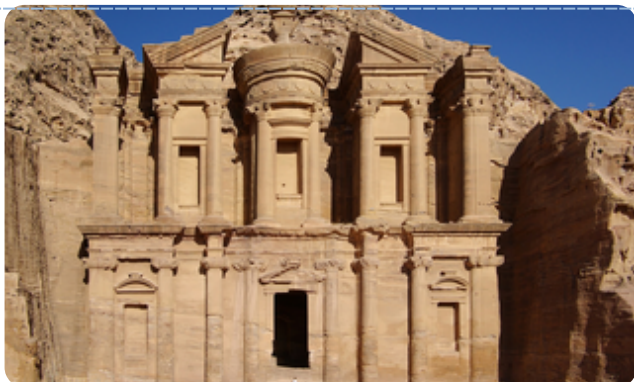
Sunday 26th April

Amman

- After breakfast, drive to the Northern Sheikh Hussein crossing. Leave Israel and enter back to Jordan. Meet your Jordan guide and coach
- Visit Jerash well preserved Roman city of the Decapolis. Hadrian's Arch, forum, basilicas, colonnaded Street, fountains.
- **Mass at Our Lady of the Visitation church, Anjara.**
- Followed by lunch
- Drive to Amman
- Dinner and stay in Grand Palace Amman hotel



Hadrian's Arch, Jerash



Monastery Ad-Deir, Petra

Monday 27th April

Return flight

- 06:30** • Depart hotel
- 07:30** • Arrive at Queen Alia Airport
- 10:20** • Flight RJ1115 to Manchester departs
- 14:25** • Flight arrives at Manchester Airport