

THE COUNCIL OF HIERARCHS OF THE
BYZANTINE CATHOLIC METROPOLITAN
CHURCH OF PITTSBURGH

INVITE YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN
A PILGRIMAGE IN CELEBRATION OF THE
375TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNION OF

Uzhorod

AND THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
FOUNDING OF THE EPARCHY OF MUKACHEVO

**with Fr. Ed Cimbala
and Fr. Yuriy Oros**

**14 Days
June 18 - July 1, 2021**



SELECT International
We share your faith

For More Information Contact:

Fr. Ed Cimbala

908-872-2928 - fredcimbala@gmail.com

Select International Tours at

800-842-4842

jane@select-intl.com

www.selectinternationaltours.com

WHAT'S THE COST?

Land and Air
\$4395.00

Land Only
\$3295.00

Solo Traveler
(additional cost)
\$995.00

Prices are valid only if the deposit of
\$500.00 is received no later than
March 12, 2021

Final payment due April 19, 2021



This active program
covers a good amount
of ground each day.

You need to be able to
walk for 60 minutes
straight and on
uneven surfaces.

Some stairs will
be encountered.

ITINERARY

✚ Friday, June 18, Day 1: DEPART USA

Depart Newark Airport on an overnight flight to Kraków, Poland. Enjoy dinner and a movie aboard the flight.

✚ Saturday, June 19, Day 2: KRAKÓW

Arrival in Kraków, where we are greeted by our English Speaking Tour Manager, who helps us with the transfer and hotel check-in. Settle into the hotel in the center of town. Stretch our legs on a walk to the center of Krakow. Tonight we have a welcome dinner at our hotel. Overnight in Krakow. (Welcome dinner with wine)

✚ Sunday, June 20, Day 3: KRAKÓW – SALT MINES

After breakfast, we have Divine Liturgy followed by a walking tour of Kraków city center, which is listed by UNESCO as one of the most significant historic sites in the world. We see all the highlights of the Old Town that made Kraków famous including the Royal Route, which goes along the beautiful streets of the Slowacki Theatre. We also see one of the oldest universities in Europe - Jagiellonian University, the spectacular central Market Square, and St. Mary's Basilica. Climbing Wawel Hill to the Castle District we visit the Cathedral of Kraków which houses the Shrine of St. Stanislaus, the patron saint of Poland. In the afternoon, we visit the fascinating salt mines with its chapels made of salt. Overnight Kraków. (B, D)

✚ Monday, June 21, Day 4: DIVINE MERCY – AUSCHWITZ

This morning we travel to the nearby Shrine of Divine Mercy, where we see the rooms of St. Faustina and to the Have no Fear Center celebrating the life of St. John Paul II. Following lunch on our own, we visit Auschwitz, the Nazi concentration camp where St. Teresa Benedicta (Edith Stein) faced martyrdom, and St. Maximilian Kolbe died in the Death Block from starvation after volunteering his life for that of a fellow prisoner. Tonight to lift our spirits we have dinner in a local restaurant with a folklore show. Overnight Kraków. (B, Special Dinner)

✚ Tuesday, June 22, Day 5: CZĘSTOCHOWA

Today, we drive to Częstochowa, the world-famous city for the Pauline monastery of Jasna Gora which is the home of the famous Black Madonna painting - a shrine of the Virgin Mary. Millions of pilgrims come to Częstochowa to see it every year. We join the tour and experience this religious and spiritual center of Poland. On the way back, we stop and visit Olsztyn, a small town 16 kilometers from Częstochowa with amazing ruins of a medieval castle. We follow the Eagle Nest Trail - a line of medieval fortifications beautifully situated on limestone cliffs. Overnight Kraków. (B, D)

✚ Wednesday, June 23, Day 6: LITMANOVA – PREŠOV

We depart this morning to Slovakia with a stop in Litmanova village- wherein 1990, the Blessed Mother Mary appeared to two Byzantine Catholic school girls. We climb the mountain to the apparition site. Continue on to Prešov and visit St. John the Baptist Greek Catholic Cathedral with a tour of the Archeparchial museum and have an audience with Metropolitan Jan Babjak (TBC). Walking tour of Prešov before dinner. Overnight Prešov. (B, L, D)

✚ Thursday, June 24, Day 7: PREŠOV – BARDEJOV – SVIDNIK

Today we drive to Bardejov, a town with fortifications dating back to 1247. Here we see the restored medieval village of ancient Bardejov which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We visit the Rusyn Icon Museum featuring icons from surroundings villages, painted in the uniquely Rusyn style. Stop at the main square to see the Gothic and Renaissance Town Hall that was built between 1505-1509 to see St. Egidius Church. After lunch, we continue to Svidnik, the center of Rusyn culture in Slovakia. Upon arrival, we visit the spectacular Svidnik Museum loaded with costumes, folk art, and the history of the people in the Carpathian region. Ancient icons, church manuscripts, portraits of leaders, banners, housewares, and more. Continue to the village that contains a whole range of traditional architecture including homes, a school, firehouse, mill, and even a wooden church built in 1776. Return to Prešov for dinner with the folk performance provided by members of the Sarisan Ensemble. Overnight Prešov. (B, L, Special Dinner)

WE GIVE BACK



Select to Give is a not-for-profit foundation founded by Select International Tours, an award winning, thirty year old faith based tour operator specializing in group trips Europe, the Holy Land, Canada, Mexico, South America, and the USA. Faith Travel Association awarded the "Impact Award" to Select International Tours for innovation and quality in travel.

Our organization's goal is to recognize and maximize human potential in Christian communities by offering assistance in establishing programs that provide opportunities for education, entrepreneurship, social justice, and community building.

**For More Information Contact Select International Tours
800-842-4842 selectinternationaltours.com selecttogive.org**

✚ Friday, June 25, Day 8: KOSICE – UŽHOROD

This morning we depart for Užhorod, stopping on the way in Kosice for a city tour to see the St. Elisabeth Cathedral and pedestrian zone with dancing fountains. We visit the Greek Catholic Cathedral of the Nativity of the Mother of God and have an audience with Archbishop Cyril Vasil (TBC). Continuing to Užhorod, we stop at Dormition of the Mother of God Church in Trebišov for a celebration of a Molében to the Mother of God. We cross the border and find ourselves in one of the most multicultural cities of ancient times - Užhorod. Depending on the schedule, we will begin our participation in the events celebrating the 375th Anniversary of the Union of Užhorod. Overnight in Užhorod. (B, L, D)

✚ Saturday, June 26, Day 9: UŽHOROD

We enjoy a sightseeing tour of Užhorod, including the castle, and see where the Union of Užhorod took place in 1646. View the Museum of Rusyn folklife and then on to the Outdoor Museum of Rusyn Folk Architecture which features traditional homes from every region of Transcarpathia. We stop to visit the sacred and historic St. Nicholas Monastery of Cerneca Hora (Monk Hill) now the home of almost 100 Orthodox nuns. The monastery church was built in the late 1700s and held a miraculous icon. Lunch will be on our own in any of the sidewalk cafes in downtown Mukachevo. There will be a brief walking tour of Mukachevo, followed by a trip to Palanok, the renowned Mukachevo castle. The view from there is incredible and the castle is filled with the local culture. We travel to Ivanovci and visit Romzsha Memorial, the site where the recently beatified Greek Catholic Bishop Theodore Romzsha was martyred. Overnight in Užhorod. (B, L, D)

✚ Sunday, June 27 and Monday, June 28, Day 10 and Day 11: UŽHOROD *

We join in the Procession, celebrate Divine Liturgy, and have a tour of the Wooden Churches. A visit would not be complete without a sampling of the delicious food and wine of the region. Overnight in Užhorod. (B, L, D) * The group will participate in all planned activities. Details will be worked out as they become available.

✚ Tuesday, June 29, Day 12: UŽHOROD – MARIAPÓCS – BUDAPEST

Early this morning we depart for Hungary. On the way, we stop at the Shrine of Mariapóc to visit the Basilica and Shrine of the Holy Virgin. Although the original icon of the Weeping Madonna in the late Baroque Greek Catholic Church was taken by Maria Theresa to St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna, the replica enjoys the same, if not bigger, pilgrimage following. Overnight in Budapest. (B, L, D)

✚ Wednesday, June 30, Day 13: BUDAPEST

The morning city tour of Budapest will acquaint us with many prominent sites. See the Royal Palace and Coronation Church, Fisherman's Bastion, Parliament Building, and Hero's Square. The balance of the day will be at leisure. For some of the best shopping, head for elegant Vaczi Street which is within walking distance from our hotel. Herendi porcelain and Hungarian Crewel embroidery are the typical souvenirs. This evening we enjoy dinner at a typical Hungarian restaurant with gypsy music. Overnight in Budapest. (B, Special Dinner)

Thursday, July 1, Day 14: BUDAPEST- USA

After breakfast, we transfer to the airport for our departing flight back to Newark. Enjoy a meal and a movie in-flight along with the many memories of our pilgrimage of a lifetime.

YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES

- Round trip airfare from Newark to Krakow x Budapest to Newark
- Airline surcharges, fuel and airport taxes are subject to change until the time of ticketing
- Accommodations in first-class hotels
- Open hot buffet breakfast daily
- Dinners and lunches as per itinerary
- Beverages are not included unless specified
- All special dinners are with wine and in local restaurants
- Folklore evening
- Private Air-conditioned motor coach
- English-speaking tour manager
- All admission charges as per the itinerary
- Baggage handling for one suitcase per person only included at the hotels
- Parking fees for motor coaches
- Local hotel taxes
- Select International Tours Travel Portfolio
- Confirmation of Liturgy

RATES DO NOT INCLUDE

- Personal expenses
- Travel protection - optional and highly encouraged
- Medical insurance
- Any items not specifically mentioned in the listed inclusions
- Beverages at meals unless otherwise noted
- Gratuities of \$190 for the guides, driver, and waitstaff are not included but will be added as a line item and pre-collected for your convenience
- Church donations

BAGGAGE CHARGES NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP COST:

- Any airline baggage charges
- Baggage handling at train stations, airports, and hotels more than one suitcase per person
- Any charges incurred due to excessive luggage including the cost of an additional baggage vehicle or portage charges



Deposits and final payment: A deposit of \$500.00 per person by check should accompany the enrollment form along with your optional travel protection payment and a copy of your passport picture page by **March 12, 2021**. Final payment is due by **April 19, 2021**. A late payment fee of \$100 will be charged per person for all payments received after the final payment date. Please mail your payment to: Select International Tours, 85 Park Ave., Flemington, NJ 08822 Attn: Jane Allison, 800-842-4842, jane@select-intl.com.

Your passport must be valid through January 1, 2022. Reservations will not be processed until we have passport copies. Prices quoted are based on payments by check. Prices: \$4,395.00 for the complete package; \$3,295.00 land only (air not included), additional \$995.00 solo traveler, additional cost, (in room by yourself). Credit card payments are: \$4,527.00 for the complete package; \$3,394.00 for land only, \$3,424.00, solo traveler, additional cost, (in room by yourself).

Pilgrimage prices: Prices are based on minimum 30 passengers. Prices may be adjusted in the event of fewer than 30 passengers, changes in currency conversion rates, or amendments in local government taxes and/or fuel surcharges. Prices are in US dollars. For European travel an exchange rate of US \$1.16 per Euro is assumed.

Solo Travel: A limited number of single rooms are available. Prices are based on two people per room. We do not guarantee roommates but will do our best to connect you with a someone willing to share.

Land Only Option: Land only services start and end at the hotels and do not include any airfare. You are welcome to transfer from the airport with the group if you arrive at the same time, otherwise, transfers are not included.

Tour Cancellation Policy: A \$350.00 non-refundable fee will be assessed if the reservation is canceled from the date of booking until 90 days prior to departure. A \$500.00 non-refundable fee will be assessed if the reservation is canceled between 90 and 60 days prior to departure. Within 60 days of departure all payments are non-refundable regardless of reason for cancellations. All airline tickets are non-refundable once issued. All cancellations must be in writing. Unused portions of the trip are not refundable. If a roommate cancels, the cost of a solo supplement will be added to your invoice. You may be eligible for a refund through your travel protection. Refer to the U.S. Policy by State on our website.

Trip Cancellation Protection: We strongly encourage you to purchase a **Travel Protection Plan** for the protection of your travel investment. Please consider purchasing this plan at the time of initial deposit in order to be covered for pre-existing conditions. Visit our website, www.selectinternationaltours.com, for details and costs, per person, for the Group Deluxe and Cancel for Any Reason (CFAR) plans. Please note that CFAR is not available in NY State. The plans contain insurance benefits underwritten by the United States Fire Insurance Company. The plans also contain non-insurance Travel Assistance Services that are provided by an independent organization.

Airline, seating and special requests: To best accommodate our pilgrims, we often utilize Group Air Reservations. These allow more predictable transfer and tour schedules. However, when booking Group Air, the airline (not Select International Tours) controls seating assignments. If you require very specific seats, we suggest that you book your own airfare

and take advantage of our "Land Only" options. You may communicate directly with the airline to request seating changes, provide mileage program information, or change passenger contact information once you receive ticket numbers—approximately three (3) weeks prior to departure. We work with instant purchase airline tickets and or group rates. If you switch from air and land to land only within 90 days from departure you will be charged a \$100 service fee in addition to any airline charges. All special needs and requests due to medical or dietary restrictions must be requested in writing at least 60 days prior to departure. Business class and Premium Coach seats are available upon written request; as are add-ons from your hometown airport. If you require very specific airlines or schedules, we suggest that you book your own airfare and take advantage of our "Land Only" options.

Walking: Our trips require daily walking, sometimes up or down slopes, steps, and uneven terrain. We recommend preparing oneself, by walking before the trip. Anyone needing assistance is required to be accompanied by a qualified and physically-able travel companion. We are not responsible for any medical condition that occurs prior, during or after the trip.

Safety Procedures: Select International Tours has undertaken a reasonable inquiry, with all the suppliers (including airlines, hotels, bus companies and other service providers) used on our trips to ensure they have instigated the best available procedures regarding the pandemic- protective policies advised by local government and health authorities. The client understands and agrees that the supplier(s) may not apply those policies as diligently as the policies suggest. In addition even if the supplier makes a good faith effort to enforce its good practices, some travelers may simply refuse to cooperate. Therefore the client agrees not to hold Select International Tours responsible should they or anyone on the trip contract COVID-19 or any other illness during or after the trip.

Baggage: Each participant is permitted to check (1) suitcase weighing no more than 50 lbs., and one small "carry-on" bag on the plane. Airline baggage fees are not included. Please check the websites of your air carrier for specific size and weight restrictions and baggage fees.

Responsibility: By accepting this confirmation, you agree that the Group Leaders and Select International Tours, Inc. have no responsibility for any acts or omission of the travel suppliers in your itinerary and during your trip. We have no special knowledge regarding the financial conditions of the suppliers, unsafe travel conditions, health hazards, or weather hazards at locations traveled. We are not responsible for flight delays or cancellations or any charges incurred due to unforeseen circumstances. Unused portions of the trip are non-refundable. For information about destination climate, risks, and safety please consult the appropriate on-line resources. For health information consult the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. You are responsible for checking passport, visa, vaccination, or other entry requirements of your destinations. Itineraries are subject to change. We are not responsible for any damaged, lost, or stolen articles. We are not responsible for any sickness, injury, or death during or after the trip. Travel documents will be mailed out approximately three (3) weeks before departure. Please review them carefully for any errors.

Shipping & Handling: \$15.00—not included in package price—will be added to each invoice. Your invoice will confirm the trip registration.

Future Travel Credits may be used on this trip. Please see the "Future Travel Credit" section of the Terms and Conditions (<https://www.selectinternationaltours.com/terms-conditions>) for details regarding their use.

21JA06EUEC

ENROLLMENT/CONSENT FORM:

A Pilgrimage in Celebration of the 375th Anniversary of UŽHOROD with Fr. Ed Cimbala and Fr. Yuriy Oros June 18-July 1, 2021

Please complete this form and mail it to Select International Tours, along with your deposit, travel protection payment (if purchasing), and a copy of your passport picture page.



Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cell/Home Phone: _____ Contact Cell for Airline While Traveling _____

Email Address: _____ Land only : _____ Need help with flights from _____

Medical/Dietary Needs _____
(Starts/ends at hotel, no airfare)

Updates about your trip will be sent by email only. Please be sure that your settings allow for electronic communication originating from jane@select-intl.com

Room: (check one) Single (1 Bed) _____ Double (1 Bed, 2 People) _____ Twin (2 Beds, 2 People) _____ Triple (3 Beds) _____

Name of Roommate(s): _____ If single: Match me with a roommate Solo (in room by myself)

Emergency Contact (Name and Phone): _____

Enclosed is a check/money order in the amount of \$ _____ for my initial deposit.

I am purchasing travel protection: _____ Yes _____ No, I decline. Enclosed is \$ _____

Group Deluxe Plan or Cancel For Any Reason Plan Check detailed rates and policy at www.selectinternationaltours.com

Rates: Trip Cost \$4,501.00 - \$5,000.00 (\$383.00 Deluxe or \$526.00 with Cancel For Any Reason CFAR)

* Note: CFAR coverage is 90% of the nonrefundable trip cost. Trip cancellation must be 48 hours or more prior to scheduled departure. CFAR must be purchased at the time of plan purchase and within 14 days of your initial trip deposit. This benefit is not available to residents of NY.

By signing below, I consent to any necessary itinerary changes and price adjustments and agree to be bound by all Select International Tours & Cruises'(SITC) TERMS AND CONDITIONS as outlined on this page and on the company website: www.selectinternationaltours.com/terms-conditions/. I also understand that (SITC) highly encourages the purchase of travel protection and that any fees associated with this trip cannot be waived for any reason. By declining to purchase travel protection I assume all financial losses associated with this trip which otherwise may be covered by travel protection. I also agree not to contest charges associated with the trip cost as outlined in this brochure. I understand that S.I. does not arrange specific seats on the flights.

Signature : _____ Date: _____

Select International Tours is not responsible for changes in group air.