



**PILGRIMAGE TO THE BASILICA OF GUADALUPE
MEXICO CITY – TLAXCALA – PUEBLA
8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS**

From July 27 to August 3, 2026

Spiritual Directors:

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DAY 1. JULY 27, 2026 (MONDAY): MEXICO CITY – TLAXCALA – PUEBLA

In the morning of this day, you will transfer to your local airport to take your flight to Mexico City. Arrival in Mexico. WELCOME TO THE MAGNIFICENT CITY OF MEXICO, with more than 23 million inhabitants. And even more importantly: WELCOME TO THE HOME OF OUR MOTHER, THE VIRGIN OF GUADALUPE. After completing the immigration process and baggage claim, you will meet our representative, who will guide you to our bus to begin our pilgrimage. First, we will head toward TLAXCALA, to a small town called SAN MIGUEL DEL MILAGRO. Welcome to the place of the apparition of Saint Michael the Archangel. San Miguel del Milagro is a locality in the municipality of Nativitas, in the state of Tlaxcala. Here, at this site, stands the SANCTUARY OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL. On April 25, 1631, Diego Lázaro, one of the first converts to Christianity, had a vision of Saint Michael, who spoke to him asking that it be communicated that it was God's will for a temple to be built in his honor at that place, and who also blessed the dry spring there, from which a miraculous spring of water began to flow. In the atrium of the Sanctuary of San Miguel del Milagro there is a well, which was blessed by Saint Michael the Archangel. Celebration of Holy Mass concelebrated by Monsignor Michael Pham, Monsignor Ramon Bejarano, and Monsignor Felipe Pulido. Afterwards, transfer to the city of Puebla. Dinner. Overnight in Puebla.

DAY 2. JULY 28, 2026 (TUESDAY): PUEBLA – CHOLULA – PUEBLA

Breakfast. After breakfast, we will head to the CHURCH OF SANTO DOMINGO WITH THE ROSARY CHAPEL inside. The Rosary Chapel of Puebla is one of the masterpieces of Baroque art in the Americas. Built in the 17th century within the Church of Santo Domingo, it was the first chapel in Mexico dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary. Its interior, covered in gold, stucco, angels, and theological symbols, visually expresses the truths of the Rosary and the Catholic faith. It was called the "Eighth Wonder of the World" for its beauty and spiritual depth, becoming an icon of New Spanish sacred art. Celebration of Holy Mass concelebrated by Monsignor Michael Pham, Monsignor Ramon Bejarano, and Monsignor Felipe Pulido. Afterwards, we will also visit the CATHEDRAL of Puebla, touring its interior. Free time for lunch. Then we will head to the historic and beautiful CHOLULA, one of the oldest and most sacred places in all of Mexico. With more than two thousand five hundred years of continuous history, Cholula was a major ceremonial center of the pre-Hispanic world and today is also a powerful symbol of the encounter between two worlds: indigenous faith and Christianity. Here stands the largest pyramid in the world by volume, Tlachihualtepetl, a sacred mountain built by generations as an offering to the gods and later covered by earth and vegetation over



time. On top of this ancient pyramid now stands the SANCTUARY OF OUR LADY OF THE REMEDIES, the most important Catholic temple in Cholula. We will visit the Sanctuary, from whose atrium we will enjoy one of the most impressive views of the entire Puebla Valley, with the Popocatepetl and Iztaccihuatl volcanoes in the background, creating a perfect setting for prayer, contemplation, and photography. Later, we will walk through the beautiful PLAZA DE LA CONCORDIA and the HISTORIC CENTER, with its colonial churches, arcades, and vibrant atmosphere. Afterwards, here in Cholula, we will visit the CHURCH OF SANTA MARÍA TONANZINTLA, which we will explore inside. At the end of our visit, we will return to Puebla. Before ending our day, we will enjoy dinner with a typical dish from the Puebla region. Prepare your palates, because we will have a tasting of one of the most important dishes in all of Mexico, which actually originated here in Puebla. Today we will enjoy DINNER WITH "MOLE POBLANO." Overnight in Puebla.

DAY 3. JULY 29, 2026 (WEDNESDAY): PUEBLA – MEXICO CITY

Breakfast. After breakfast, we will head to the CHURCH OF SAN FRANCISCO, where the incorrupt body of BLESSED SEBASTIÁN DE APARICIO is located, a Spanish Franciscan missionary who evangelized central Mexico during the 16th century. He is considered the father of roads and carts in Mexico, helping unite communities and facilitate the spread of the Gospel. He is buried in Puebla. Celebration of Holy Mass at the Cathedral of Puebla, concelebrated by Monsignor Michael Pham, Monsignor Ramon Bejarano, and Monsignor Felipe Pulido. Afterwards, we will head to the most famous market in all of Puebla: the PARIÁN MARKET, famous for its colorful Talavera pottery. Free time to walk through it, explore, and shop for Mexican souvenirs. Free time for lunch. In the afternoon, we will enjoy a tour focused on TALAVERA POBLANA. Talavera Poblana is a Mexican handcrafted fine ceramic, glazed and hand-painted, recognized for its origin in Puebla and Tlaxcala, characterized by detailed designs and the traditional use of colors such as blue, yellow, black, green, orange, and mauve, applied on a white majolica base. Talavera Poblana is a true source of Mexican pride. Free time to continue exploring Puebla at your own pace. In the afternoon, we will return to Mexico City. Dinner. Overnight in Mexico City.

DAY 4. JULY 30, 2026 (THURSDAY): MEXICO CITY (PLAZA OF THE THREE CULTURES / CHURCH OF SANTIAGO TLATELOLCO – BASILICA OF GUADALUPE)

Breakfast. We begin the morning heading to the PLAZA OF THE THREE CULTURES, a symbol of the encounter between pre-Hispanic Mexico, the Christian colonial world, and modern Mexico; a key setting of evangelization, cultural blending, and historical memory. Right in front of the plaza stands the CHURCH OF SANTIAGO TLATELOLCO, a stop full of symbolism within a Guadalupean pilgrimage, since Saint Juan Diego lived in this area and from here walked to Tepeyac Hill to meet the Virgin. But that is not all. Saint Juan Diego was baptized in this church. In this temple, around the year 1524, Juan Diego received Christian baptism, taking the name Juan Diego, as he was previously called Cuauhtlatoatzin. The Church of Santiago de Tlatelolco, built by the Franciscans in the 16th century, preserves inside THE BAPTISMAL FONT OF SAINT JUAN DIEGO. At the end of our visit, we will board our bus and head to the home of our Mother, the Virgin Mary of Guadalupe. Today we will visit the BASILICA OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE (Patroness of the Americas). This sanctuary was built in response to the request of Our Lady to the visionary Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin. Celebration of Holy Mass concelebrated by Monsignor Michael Pham, Monsignor Ramon Bejarano, and Monsignor Felipe Pulido. We prepare to kneel before the "Tilma," where the image of Our Lady was miraculously imprinted while it was worn by Saint Juan Diego. Get ready, as we will now head to the back of the main Basilica altar. This is the closest exact point from which one can be to the "TILMA OF JUAN DIEGO." We will pass just 3 meters away from the "Tilma of the Miracle," the place where our Heavenly Mother chose to remain forever. Free time for lunch. Afterwards, we will walk uphill for a few minutes until reaching TEPEYAC, the exact place where the miracle of the Virgin Mary occurred, appearing



on the “Tilma of Juan Diego.” We will see the Cross with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Return to the hotel and prepare for our TACO NIGHT. Tonight we will enjoy the famous and authentic Mexican tacos from one of the most traditional taqueria in the city: Taqueria El Califa. Overnight in Mexico City.

DAY 5. JULY 31, 2026 (FRIDAY): CHURCH OF SANTO DOMINGO – METROPOLITAN CATHEDRAL – BLESSED MOISÉS LIRA SERAFÍN – EL ZÓCALO – NATIONAL PALACE

Breakfast. We head to the HISTORIC CENTER OF MEXICO CITY. First, we arrive at Santo Domingo Square, where the church of the same name stands, the CHURCH OF SANTO DOMINGO, built in the 18th century by architect Pedro de Arrieta. We will see the chapels dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary, Our Lady of Covadonga, and the “Lord of the Rebozo.” Afterwards, we will visit the largest cathedral in all of Latin America: the METROPOLITAN CATHEDRAL OF MEXICO CITY, which we will tour inside. Celebration of Holy Mass concelebrated by Monsignor Michael Pham, Monsignor Ramon Bejarano, and Monsignor Felipe Pulido. After Mass, we will visit the crypts of the Primatial Archbishops of Mexico. At the entrance of the crypt stands a monument honoring Fray Juan de Zumárraga, depicting the recumbent body of the first bishop of Mexico. At the end of our visit to the Cathedral, we will walk to reach the tomb of BLESSED MOISÉS LIRA SERAFÍN at the NATIONAL EXPIATORY TEMPLE OF SAINT PHILIP OF JESUS. Blessed Moisés Lira Serafín was a Mexican priest (1893–1950), founder of the Missionaries of the Charity of Mary Immaculate, dedicated to spiritual formation and the care of the poor. He was beatified in 2009. Free time for lunch included at El Bajío Restaurant in the Historic Center. Afterwards, we will enjoy a guided walking tour through the main square of Mexico City, known as the “Heart of Mexico.” We refer to EL ZÓCALO. From here, we will see (external visit) the National Palace, seat of the Federal Government of Mexico and Official Residence of the President of Mexico. Free afternoon to explore Mexico City.

OPTIONAL 1

Today, you may visit the NATIONAL MUSEUM OF ANTHROPOLOGY. This museum houses the most important collections in the country related to pre-Hispanic civilizations, such as the Mexicas, Mayans, Olmecs, Teotihuacans, and Toltecs. Here you will find emblematic pieces such as the Sun Stone (Aztec Calendar), Olmec sculptures, and treasures from Monte Albán and Palenque. Visiting this museum is a journey through three thousand years of living history, understanding how ancient civilizations shaped present-day Mexico.

OPTIONAL 2

XOCHIMILCO. The Xochimilco boat ride is one of the most fascinating and unmissable experiences in Mexico City because it connects visitors with living pre-Hispanic Mexico. Xochimilco is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and preserves the ancient chinampa system, the floating agricultural islands used by the Mexicas to grow food and flowers. Navigating its canals is traveling through the last remnants of the great lake that once surrounded Tenochtitlán. The trajineras represent Mexican popular tradition, blending history, gastronomy, mariachis, social interaction, and the joy of the Mexican people.

At the end of our free time in the Historic Center, return to the hotel. Dinner. Overnight in Mexico City.

DAY 6. AUGUST 1, 2026 (SATURDAY): EL ALTILLO (BLESSED CONCHITA CABRERA) – CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY (BLESSED MIGUEL AGUSTÍN PRO)

Breakfast. We begin the day heading to the CHURCH OF SAN JOSÉ DEL ALTILLO, where the tomb of BLESSED CONCHITA CABRERA is located, a model of holiness as wife, mother, and founder. Blessed Concepción “Conchita” Cabrera de Armida founded the Works of the Cross, a family of five movements that renewed priestly life and lay spirituality. Conchita Cabrera lived holiness in ordinary life, offering her motherhood, suffering, and prayer for the Church. She is a powerful witness of love, sacrifice, and union with Christ. We



will visit her tomb and pray kneeling beside it. Celebration of Holy Mass concelebrated by Monsignor Michael Pham, Monsignor Ramon Bejarano, and Monsignor Felipe Pulido. Free time for lunch. In the afternoon, we will head to the CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, where we will see the tomb of BLESSED MIGUEL AGUSTÍN PRO, Jesuit martyr. During the Mexican Revolution, there was severe religious persecution, and Father Pro was exiled. He returned to Mexico and, despite helping many, was arrested and executed. His final words before the firing squad were: “¡Viva Cristo Rey!” In this church, we will have the opportunity to pray before this great martyr and venerate his relics. Next to the church, we will visit a small museum that recounts the life and sacrifice of Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro. Here we will have the opportunity to touch a first-class relic: the bone of the Blessed. Return to the hotel. Free afternoon. In the evening, MEXICAN DINNER WITH MARIACHIS. Overnight in Mexico City.

DAY 7. AUGUST 2, 2026 (SUNDAY): CHURCH OF TULPETLAC (THE FIFTH APPARITION) – TEOTIHUACAN – FINE ARTS (FOLKLORIC BALLET)

Breakfast. After breakfast, we will board our bus and head to one of the sacred places of our pilgrimage: the SANCTUARY OF THE FIFTH GUADALUPAN APPARITION, the exact place where the Virgin Mary of Guadalupe appeared to the uncle of Juan Diego, named Juan Bernardino. During this apparition, she healed him of his illness. Additionally, we will be able to touch with our own hands the exact place where the Virgin Mary asked Juan Bernardino that she wished to be called “HOLY MARY OF GUADALUPE.” Free time for prayer. There is a well here whose water has been attributed with miracles and healings. Celebration of Holy Mass concelebrated by Monsignor Michael Pham, Monsignor Ramon Bejarano, and Monsignor Felipe Pulido. Afterwards, we will depart for TEOTIHUACAN. Free time for lunch. Guided visit of the archaeological zone of TEOTIHUACAN, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. According to mythology, this site was chosen as the center of the universe and became a major political and religious center for eight centuries (between the 2nd and 9th centuries). During the visit, we will see the Pyramids of the Sun and the Moon, the Temple of Quetzalcoatl, and local art markets. Free time to explore Teotihuacan and take some of the best photos of the site. At the end of our visit, we will board our bus back to the hotel for an early dinner. After dinner, at 7:00 p.m., we will board the bus again to head to the PALACE OF FINE ARTS and attend the magnificent FOLKLORIC BALLET of Amalia Hernández. Overnight in Mexico City.

DAY 8. AUGUST 3, 2026 (MONDAY): MEXICO CITY –

Breakfast. If your flight schedule allows, you will have free time to explore Mexico City at your own pace, and celebration of Holy Mass concelebrated by Monsignor Michael Pham and Monsignor Felipe Pulido, at a nearby church or at the hotel. At the scheduled time, we will board our bus to head to the Mexico City International Airport to take our return flight to our home city. We wish you all a very blessed journey. May God bless you.

WHAT IS INCLUDED

- Round-trip nonstop flight Tijuana – Mexico City – Tijuana, including baggage allowance of 1 personal item and 1 checked bag up to 55 lbs. Includes all required CBX border crossing fees, both outbound and return.
- Airport-hotel-airport transfers in Mexico City.
- Personalized assistance in English and Spanish upon arrival at the International Airport.
- 8 days and 7 nights program.
- 7 nights accommodation in selected superior 4-star hotels.
- All breakfasts included.
- All dinners included.
- Special Mexican dinner with mariachis included.



- 1 lunch in the Historic Center of Mexico City.
- Transportation in a private luxury air-conditioned motor coach throughout the stay in Mexico City, according to the itinerary.
- Professional Catholic tour guide speaking English and Spanish throughout the entire journey.
- Free WIFI at the hotel.
- Headsets / Whispers.
- Tips for guide, driver, and porters.
- Sightseeing tours and admission fees according to the itinerary.
- Daily celebration of Holy Mass.
- Confessions according to pilgrims' needs.
- Moments of prayer, spiritual activities, and recitation of the Holy Rosary during some bus transfers.

NOT INCLUDED

- Medical insurance, as well as flight delay or cancellation insurance, and baggage loss insurance.
- Lunches and beverages during dinners.
- Any other item not described in the "included" section.

PRICES

- \$2,290 (per person / double occupancy)
- Single supplement: \$510 (for pilgrims who do not wish to share a room and prefer a single room)

SUPERIOR 4-STAR HOTELS OR SIMILAR

- Mexico City: Galeria Plaza Hotel <https://www.galeriaplahotels.com.mx/es/reforma>
- Puebla: NH Puebla Centro Histórico <https://www.nh-hotels.com/en/hotel/nh-puebla-centro-historico>

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- March 2, 2026: \$600 (non-refundable)
- May 12, 2026: \$600
- June 12, 2026: remaining balance

FLIGHT SUPPLEMENT (flying from San Diego)

- Flight options from San Diego are available upon request (no direct flights and generally higher cost).

CANCELLATION POLICIES

- 180 to 121 days before the start of the pilgrimage: 0% penalty.
- 120 to 91 days before the start of the pilgrimage: 30% penalty.
- 90 to 61 days before the start of the pilgrimage: 60% penalty.
- 60 to 31 days before the start of the pilgrimage: 90% penalty.
- 30 days or less before the start of the pilgrimage: 100% penalty.

Note: Cancellation policies do not apply to payments that are considered "non-refundable" from the outset.