

WASHINGTON, DC

A CAPITAL CHRISTMAS

3 DAYS - 2 NIGHTS
DECEMBER 13 - 15, 2019

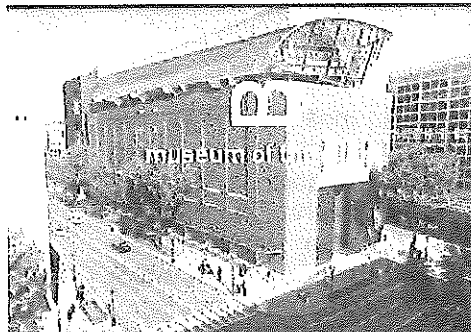
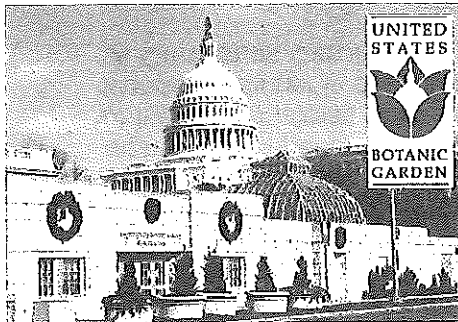


\$ 549.00 Per Person *Double Occupancy*
\$ 650.00 Per Person *Single Occupancy*

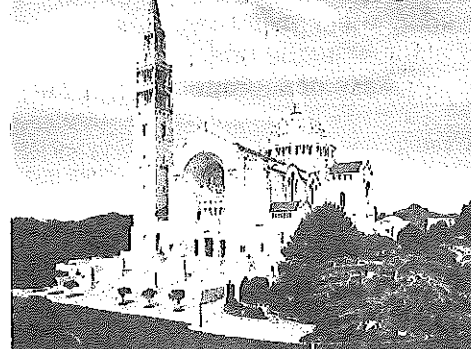


PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- * 2 Nights Lodging
- * 2 Breakfasts
- * 2 Full Course Dinners
- * VIP Tour of the White House (*arranged by group - based on availability*)
- * White House Visitor Center
- * U.S. Botanic Garden
- * "A Christmas Carol" at Ford's Theatre
- * Museum of the Bible
- * Guided tour of the Memorials & Monuments, including:
Air Force Memorial, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Korean War Veterans Memorial, National World War II Memorial, Iwo Jima Statue, among others
- * Pageant of Peace in Ellipse Park - National Christmas Tree
- * Lantern-lit tour of Mount Vernon
- * Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
- * Downtown Holiday Market
- * Drive by Embassy Row & Washington's National Cathedral
- * Souvenir Gift
- * Luggage Handling
- * Taxes & Meal Gratuities
- * Motorcoach Transportation



Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception



Cancellation insurance available upon request; see reverse side.

FOR INFORMATION AND RESERVATIONS CONTACT:

Josephine McEwan @ (201) 265-0485
Anna Gorgone @ (201) 387-2632

Deposit of \$100 per person due by October 1, 2019
Balance due by November 1, 2019

Make all checks payable to: **Ascension Church**
256 Azalea Drive
New Milford, NJ 07646



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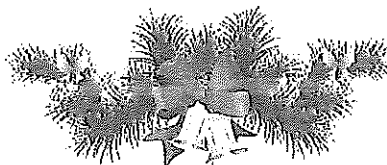
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The sample itinerary described below is approximately like the itinerary your group will be following during your stay with WHITE STAR TOURS. However, the exact times, days, and destinations may vary for your group.

Day 1 - Depart from your New Milford and travel to Washington, DC, stopping for lunch on your own along the way. Upon arrival, enjoy a **VIP tour of the White House** (arranged by group). "The President's Palace", as it was called in the beginning, has been the official home of every U.S. President except for George Washington. (Should you not be able to arrange a tour, you will visit the White House Visitor's Center). Then stop at the **White House Visitor's Center**. After your tour, visit the **U.S. Botanic Garden**, one of the oldest botanic gardens in North America. This living plant museum was established by Congress in 1820 and is decorated with poinsettias for the holidays. Dinner this evening will be in downtown DC followed by a visit to **Mount Vernon**, the estate of George Washington, for a lantern-lit tour of the historic areas. Inside the Mansion, Martha Washington and other Mt Vernon residents will welcome you into their home and share stories of past Christmases. In the Greenhouse, enjoy 18th-century dancing, cookies with sipping warm cider, listening to fireside caroling and paying a visit to Aladdin the Christmas camel. Your evening will conclude with live music in the Education Center Lobby. After the tour, depart for your hotel and a restful evening.

Day 2 - Enjoy a deluxe continental breakfast at the hotel, then depart for a visit to the **Museum of the Bible**. Tour this amazing facility and discover one of the World's largest private collections of biblical objects and artifacts which convey the global impact and compelling history of the Bible in a unique and powerful way. After lunch on your own, meet your guide to depart on a tour of the memorials and monuments, including the **National World War II Memorial**, the **Vietnam Veterans**, **Korean War Veterans**, **Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial**, and the **Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial**, among others. You will also visit the **Pageant of Peace** in Ellipse Park across from the White House ... site of nightly choral performances, a Nativity scene, the **National Christmas Tree**, and a spectacular display of lighted Christmas trees representing each state and territory of the United States. Following a wonderful dinner in downtown DC, head to your seating at **Ford's Theatre** for a performance of the "A Christmas Carol".

Day 3 - After a deluxe continental breakfast at the hotel, check out and depart attend mass at the **Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception** (which contains the world's most extensive collection of 20th-century mosaics and other artwork; the Shrine is the largest Roman Catholic Church in the U.S.). After mass, visit the one-of-a-kind Christmas event, the **Downtown Holiday Market**, a unique festive shopping "village" in the heart of Washington DC. The market features more than 150 regional artisans, crafters and boutique business of ethnically produced goods. While you're shopping enjoy lively seasonal entertainment, plus great snacks and festive treats. Depart for home after your visit driving by **Embassy Row** and the magnificent **National Cathedral** (which is the sixth largest church in the world and symbolizes our country's heritage of faith and religious freedom) along the way.



TRIP CANCELLATION PROTECTION

Cancellation protection insurance is encouraged for medical emergencies that may occur and is valid for trips booked through White Star Tours. The enhanced option for pre-existing conditions must be paid within 14 days from the day the first deposit for the trip is paid to the organization and/or group leader. To purchase the protection, please contact NTA/AON Insurance via their website at <https://nta.aontravelprotect.com> or phone directly at 1-800-388-1470 and provide the Tour Operator Locator #386097.



Church of the Ascension

Music Ministry

"Sing and Make Music From Your Heart to the Lord!"

- Ephesians 5:19

Come Join the Choirs!!

Youth Choir (all Parish Children grades 1-9 welcome)

Sings Sundays 9:30am Mass - Rehearses Saturdays at 4:15pm

Contemporary Choir

Sings Sundays 9:30am Mass - Rehearses Mondays 7:30pm

Traditional Choir

Sings Sundays 11:30am Mass - Rehearses Mondays 7:30pm

To sign up or to receive more information,

contact Glenn Gordon after Mass.

**REQUEST FOR COPY OF
SACRAMENT CERTIFICATE**
(Baptism, Communion, Confirmation or Marriage)
or Sponsorship Letter for Baptism or Confirmation (not Ascension candidate)
Donation \$10.00

Please Print All Information Clearly

DATE: _____ Type of Certificate/Letter _____

*Name of Person who this Certificate is for: _____
Name of Parishioner who this Letter is for: _____
Your Parish # _____

REQUESTED BY: _____
RELATIONSHIP to *: _____
PHONE #: _____
ADDRESS: _____

REASON FOR REQUEST: _____

*DATE OF BIRTH: _____ YEAR SACRAMENT RECEIVED: _____
*WHERE BORN (City & State): _____

*NAME OF FATHER (first & last): _____
*NAME OF MOTHER (first & maiden): _____
*Godfather: _____
*Godmother (name at time of Sacrament): _____

For Marriage Certificate Only

WIFE FIRST & MAIDEN NAME: _____
HUSBAND NAME: _____
Marriage Witnesses: _____ & _____

Office Use:

Date Received: _____
Register: _____
Priest: _____
Other Sacraments received: Communion: _____
Confirmation: _____
Marriage: _____

Date request completed: _____

PLEASE MAIL THIS COMPLETED FORM WITH DONATION & SELF ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE TO:

ASCENSION PARISH OFFICE
256 AZALEA DRIVE
NEW MILFORD, NJ 07646

WELCOME TO ASCENSION PARISH!

The Church is called the People of God. It is more than just a building, but rather, a gathering of baptized men, women and children who have chosen Jesus Christ and a way of life that reflects the Good News of His teaching.

This brochure has been designed to help you decide which ministries and organizations of Ascension Parish Family are best suited for you as people who believe Jesus is first in your life.

I invite and encourage you to reflect on the good works reflected in this brochure. Come out and join the good people who make faith and love real in the life of the parish. God is calling you to make a commitment to Jesus by becoming an active participant in the ministry and organization of your choice. Our parish family needs **YOU!**

Again, welcome to our parish. May God bless you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. David W. Milliken, Pastor

TIME, TALENT, TREASURE. PUTTING GOD FIRST?

Ascension Parish believes in "stewardship," which is the acknowledgement that

all we are and all we have

are gifts that God has given us

for our temporary use and for helping our neighbor.

Stewardship starts with the personal need within each of us to return to God a thankful portion of our gifts of

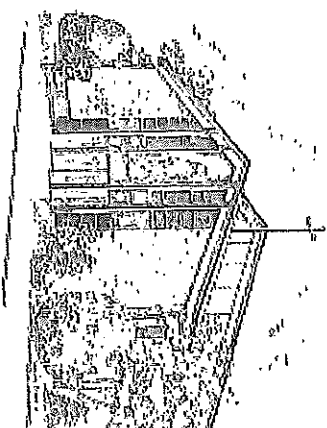
time, talent and treasure

that has been entrusted to us.

Stewardship

at

Ascension



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit,
we, the Catholic Community of the
Church of the Ascension, New Milford,
commit ourselves to celebrate*

*the Gospel of Jesus
in Sacrament and Prayer.*

*We dedicate ourselves
to foster a warm and loving parish
of concern and service
for the individual, family,
and total community.*

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256 Azalea Drive

New Milford, NJ 07646

201-836-8961

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Ascension Parish offers many opportunities to participate in activities and ministries which fulfill our responsibilities as a faith-filled and supportive Christian Community.

God has blessed you and calls you to share with others. We encourage you to prayerfully consider some of the following ways in which you can share your time and talent in the parish. Please indicate your areas of interest.

Name _____
 (PLEASE PRINT) Last First

Address _____

Phone # (____) _____

Profession/Occupation _____

Envelope # _____

PARISHIONER COMMITMENT

____ I commit/recommit myself as member of Ascension Parish

____ I commit/recommit myself to regular Sunday worship with our parish community. ____ I commit myself to praying for our parish community.

____ I am new in the parish and would like to be a registered parishioner.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE I COULD USE FROM THE PARISH:

____ Homebound person desiring a monthly visitation.
 ____ Non-Catholic interested in the Catholic Faith
 ____ Other _____

SKILLS I AM WILLING TO SHARE:

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| ____ Baking | ____ Clerical Work |
| ____ Computer Skills | ____ Carpentry |
| ____ Data Entry | ____ Handwork |
| ____ Banner/Sign Making | ____ Phone Work |
| ____ Sewing | ____ Plumbing |
| ____ Painting | ____ Landscaping |
| ____ Rectory Receptionist | ____ Masonry |
| ____ Other _____ | |

COMMITMENT OF TIME AND TALENT:
 (Please use "N" for New Commitment or "A" for Already Active)

Worship: N A

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| Children's Liturgy of the Word | ____ |
| Eucharistic Ministers | ____ |
| Lectors/Readers | ____ |
| Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers) | ____ |
| Altar Server (5 th Grade & up) | ____ |
| Adult Altar Server (Weekday) | ____ |
| Adult Altar Server for Funerals | ____ |
| Children's Choir (9:30 A.M.) | ____ |
| Contemporary Choir (9:30 A.M.) | ____ |
| Traditional Choir (11:30 A.M.) | ____ |
| Liturgy Planning Committee | ____ |
| Church Decorating | ____ |
| Sacristans | ____ |
| Church/Altar/Sanctuary Care | ____ |

Word: N A

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| Catechetical Ministry (K-6) Sunday | ____ |
| Catechetical Aide (K-6) Sunday | ____ |
| Catechetical Ministry (7 th -9 th) | ____ |
| Christian Foundations for Ministry (CFM) | ____ |

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

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| Adult Education | ____ |
| Adult Spirituality Committee | ____ |
| Baptism Preparation Team | ____ |
| Marriage Preparation Team (Pre-Cana) | ____ |
| Youth Ministry | ____ |
| Young Adult Group | ____ |

Community Building: N A

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| Parish Events Committee | ____ |
| Stewardship Committee | ____ |
| Pilgrimage Committee | ____ |
| Lent Small Christian Communities | ____ |
| Ascension Golden Ministry (Seniors) | ____ |
| Welcoming/Hospitality Ministry | ____ |
| Filipino Community | ____ |

Service: N A

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| Advent Giving Tree | ____ |
| Food Pantry | ____ |
| Food Pantry Distribution | ____ |
| Thanksgiving Turkey Drive | ____ |
| Hackensack Walk-In | ____ |
| Harrison House | ____ |
| Bereavement Ministry | ____ |
| Respect for Life Ministry | ____ |
| AIDS Ministry | ____ |



*With Grateful Hearts,
 We celebrate
 65 years of Faith and Service!*