

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY SHRINES OF RUSSIA

**With the blessing of His Grace Archbishop Gabriel, God willing, a pilgrimage will be organized to the Holy Shrines of Moscow, Holy Trinity Sergius Lavra, New-Jerusalem Monastery, Zvenigorod, Borodino, Viazma, Smolensk, Pskovo-Pechersky Monastery, Novgorod, Pushkin's grave site and St. Petersburg.
28 April to May 12, 2018.**

Accompanied by Rev. Vladimir Malchenko.



28 April, Saturday	Departure from Toronto
29 April, Sunday	Arrival in Moscow . Check in to the Hotel of Pokrov Convent where the Holy Relics of St. Matrona are located.
30 April, Monday	The many holy churches and monasteries of Moscow . Tour the Kremlin . Visit the newly renovated Novo-Jerusalem Monastery and St. Savva Storozhevsky Monastery in Zvenigorod. Overnight in Prokrov Hotel.
1 May, Tuesday	Visit the spiritual capital of the Russian Orthodox Church the Holy Trinity St. Sergius Lavra , the Chernigov Skite. Tretiakov Art Gallery and veneration of the Miracle Icon of Vladimirskaya Mother of God. Overnight in the Pokrov Convent Hotel.
2 May, Wednesday	Night Liturgy in the Pokrov Convent celebrating the sacred memory of St. Matrona of Moscow. Travel to the Borodino battle grounds where Napoleon fought the Russian armies. Visit the famous Borodino Convent founded by the widow of the famous Russian general killed in the battle. Travel to the ancient Russian city of Viazma . Overnight in Viazma.
3 May, Thursday	Visit the holy Churches of Viazma with its Monastery that has one of the most beautiful tent style ancient churches in Russia. Travel to Smolensk . Overnight in the beautiful city of Smolensk.
4 May, Friday	Visit and pray at the famous 18 century Assumption Cathedral of Smolensk with its miracle icon of Our Lady of Smolensk. Visit the three

	12 century ancient churches of Smolensk and Monasteries of this ancient city. Smolensk boasts of the longest fortress walls in all of Russia.
5 May. Saturday	Travel to Pushkinogor'e with the grave site of A.S. Pushkin in a beautiful Monastery. Lunch in the city of Ostrov (Pskov Province) with a possible visit to the convent in Ostrov. View the first suspension bridge in Russia. Overnight in a hotel close to the Pskovo-Pechersky Monastery. Evening Service in the Monastery.
6 May. Sunday	Liturgy in the Pskovo-Pechersky Monastery and tour of this monastery that was never closed during the Soviet times. Visit the ancient city of Pskov with its Kremlin and many churches and monasteries. Evening service in the Pskovo-Pechersky Monastery.
7 May. Monday	Liturgy in the Pskovo-Pechersky Monastery . Visit the ancient city of Novgorod with its Kremlin, Sofiisky Cathedral that houses the miracle Icon of Our Lady of the Sign and many relics of saints. Overnight in Novgorod.
8 May. Tuesday	Travel to the imperial city of St. Petersburg. Tour the palaces of Tsarskoe Selo and the famous School where Pushkin was educated. Overnight in St. Petersburg in the comfortable Hotel Azimuth
9 May. Wednesday	Visit the island fortress city of Kronstadt . The naval cathedral of St. Nicholas brought back to its former grandeur and beauty. Visit the churches of the fortress city made famous by St. John of Kronstadt. Tour the memorial house museum where St. John of Kronstadt. Azimuth Hotel.
10 May. Thursday	Morning Liturgy in one of the beautiful churches of St. Petersburg. Tour the famous fortress of St. Peter and Paul where all the tsars and tsaritas are buried, including the remains of the St. Tsar Nicholas and his family. Overnight in the Azimuth Hotel.
11 May. Friday	Liturgy in one of the churches of St. Petersburg. Visit the impressive St. Alexander Nevsky Monastery with the relics of St. Alexander Nevsky. Tour the Hermitage and other cathedrals of St. Petersburg. Overnight in the Azimuth Hotel.
12 May. Saturday	Visit the St. John's Convent founded by St. John of Kronstadt and other Churches of St. Petersburg. Pray at the grave site of St. Ksenia of St. Petersburg . Overnight in the Azimuth Hotel.
13 May. Sunday	Flight from St. Petersburg home to Toronto.

Cost of the Pilgrimage: \$2,600 (Canadian).

This includes: air fare, hotel (double occupancy with washrooms), 2 meals per day, comfortable bus accompanying the pilgrimage during the full duration of the pilgrimage, all entrance fees, guides and bus transfers.

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to reserve your place on this unforgettable pilgrimage to the Holy Shrines of Holy Russia.