

Work Camp:

Landscape Clearing Badija Island Monastery - Croatia

Badija is the largest unpopulated island in the Korcula archipelago. In the late 14th century, Franciscan monks from Bosnia were given ownership of a part of the island, where they began building a Monastery, with the intention of creating a religious, cultural and educational center for the region. During the communist regime, the island was used as sports and recreational center, and the Monastery as a hostel. The Franciscans maintained a presence on the island for centuries, up until after World War II, when the communist authorities shut down the Monastery

and Church expropriating the Franciscans from the island. In 2003, the new Croatian government returned the Monastery and the Island back to its original owners. Much work has been done to retrieve the Monastery's original function, and the next function is to clear the landscape for added safety and beauty.

We will be staying in the fully equipped Monastery and are provided all food and equipment to complete the tasks. Each evening will include prayer, blessings and sharing

of the experience.

The island is forested with pine and oak trees, which present a potential fire hazard, especially in the hot summer months. St. Davids has committed to provide funding and volunteer assistance in helping to limit the concern of forest fire by clearing the underbrush in the woodland surrounding the Monastery. We wish to invite our friends to help initiate this year's Work Camp project with their prayers, resources and labor.



Medjugorje 2016



"Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?' Then I said, 'Here am I. Send me!'"
-Isaiah 6:8

July 23 - August 7

- Work Camp week 1
- Youth Fest week 2



Francis Garden and St. James Catholic Church.

Our accommodations are again with Vlado & Vesna in an excel-

lent location midway between the church and Mothers Village with all meals provided.

Medjugorje is a modern village with all necessities available; stores, wi-fi, restaurants, laundry, etc. English is regularly spoken and provides no barrier to the trip or experience.



Franciscans will join in the work and provide spiritual guidance during the journey.

As was done in previous years, the first week of the Camp is dedicated to the project. For this second week of the pilgrimage, the group will stay in Medjugorje, Bosnia and Hercegovina, and have the privilege to attend the 27th Annual Medjugorje International Youth Festival. Every year over 50,000 people (the young and the not so young) from all over the world gather at the foot of Cross

Mountain to celebrate the Catholic faith and heritage, through Holy Mass, prayer, testimonies, processions, adoration, music and dance - a spiritual vacation, we like to call it.

A professional tour guide will lead our group and provide explanations and interpretations of the historic and spiritual events that have occurred in Medjugorje since 1981. We will visit many holy places including Apparition Hill, Mount Krizevac (Cross Mountain), Mother's Village, St.



Estimated Cost: \$3,000
(depends upon final airfare costs)

- Included:**
- Round trip flight
 - Ground transportation
 - Lodging: rooms with bath (single travelers may share)
 - Two meals / day
 - Local Guide

Itinerary: Given frequent schedule changes of local clergy and the visionaries, our pilgrimage itinerary is developed and communicated daily. A flexible schedule and trusting the well informed guides delivers the most optimal experience.

Physical Activity: All levels of physical condition are accommodated. Our trip is primarily walking / hiking with transportation planned as needed. If you have any specific needs please communicate when booking.

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