



Msgr. Mike's Blog | Kayed and Kelly - Our Holy Land Guides

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Our group of 50 Pilgrims who recently returned from the Holy Land were truly blessed with a knowledgeable and faith filled guide. Kayed met us at the airport when we arrived in Tel Aviv and brought us on an incredible journey as we traveled in the very footsteps of

Jesus. From Bethlehem to Jerusalem, from the waters of the Jordan River to the Sea of Galilee, we saw it all with our own eyes. Kayed and his family are Arab Christians who live in Nazareth. He led us with his knowledge of history, Scripture, archeology with keen insights into the troubling political realities in Israel and the Palestinian territory. But most importantly he prayed and celebrated faith with us as he shared the plight and concern for the diminishing number of Christian families in the Holy Land.

I was so very pleased to hear this weekend from many parishioners who thoroughly enjoyed the “virtual pilgrimage” of the Holy Land through Flocknotes. Our guide for this journey was Kelly Paulina, who put together a slide show video of every stop we made over the course of seven days. A good number of people said that they actually felt like they were with us on the pilgrimage. Even those of us on the pilgrimage looked forward to these videos as it helped us relive the day’s experience. Also impressive and meaningful were the number of prayer requests that parishioners made. We remembered all of them at Mass each day. If you did not get a chance to see the videos or wish to see them again, Kelly has now posted them on [Video Gallery](#) on the parish website. I know I will be looking at them over and over again. Thank-you Kayed and Kelly for taking us all to the land of Jesus.

