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Dear Pilgrim family:

We hope you are all well! It is looking like we are coming to the end of what was probably the most unique years in our lifetime! Due to Covid-19, Mater Dei Tours had to cancel and postpone most of its public and private pilgrimages from March 2020 to June 2022. Regarding our pilgrimages in June 2022 and beyond, we want you to know that we are in close communications with our vendors, continuously monitoring the situation in all our pilgrimage destinations. So far, several countries have dropped the vaccine mandate required for the entry of US Citizens, and there is talk that many more countries will join in. All of our vendors and local staff are very eager for our arrival. We have very special relations with our vendors due to our “truly Catholic” model, and this has resulted in a very fruitful information exchange. As a result, Mater Dei has inserted the following paragraph to our General Terms and Conditions:

Our pilgrimages are being operated under the premise that it is safe to travel under the current Covid-19 situation. If governmental authorities and/or our tour vendors, declare that it is no longer safe to travel because of Covid-19, Mater Dei will need to cancel the pilgrimage. If all our vendors cancel their services, Mater Dei will issue a full refund to all. If a passenger cancels because of fear of Covid-19, but authorities and vendors still declare that it is safe to travel as long as people practice the appropriate advice to keep proper hygiene to avoid contamination, the passenger shall be assessed the appropriate cancellation penalty detailed in the first column (see the cancellation penalties table on your brochure). Please bring a face mask for consideration of others (masks may still be required by the airlines by the time your travel - although there is a movement in th airline industry to take off the masks). If you are sick with Covid-19, please stay home.

We hope and pray that covid is a thing of the past for all of you! It certainly starting to look in some States like life is back to normal. One thing we have learned these past years is that things can change very quickly and we intend to keep you informed regarding any new developments. We have several protocols in place that we can draw on to match the particular outcomes that may surface. However, if you have any questions, by all means, do contact us.

Our hearts and prayers go out to you and your families and all of God’s children that were affected in any way by the coronavirus. We ask you to pray for them and for our great United States and all the countries affected (especially our destinations).

All of us at Mater Dei hope to see you soon in one of our Mater Dei pilgrimages!

Juan Landa and all the Mater Dei ® staff

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