



Most Holy Mother of God Cathedral,
Vladivostok, Russia

During your immersion trip you will get the chance to:

Visit Charitable works of Caritas including:

- Crisis pregnancy centers
- Food program for abandoned elderly
- Orphanage ministry
- Hospice program

Other programs Include:

- Children's summer camps
- Just Say No to Alcohol treatment meetings

Visit with new religious orders including:

- The Canons Regular of Jesus the Lord
- Soon to come, Sisters in Jesus the Lord

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Our Lady of Vladivostok, pray for us!

Mary Mother of God Mission Society

Reviving the Catholic Church in
Eastern Russia



Immersion Trip

Immerse into Russian Catholic Culture.

See the mission in action, and experience
the Russian Far East.

Trip Highlights Include:

- Flight into **Inchon, Korea**, and then to **Vladivostok**
- Reception dinner **banquet**
- Sunday **Mass** at church and afterwards **tea** with parishioners
- Vladivostok **city tour** including: naval harbor plaza, downtown area where the architecture is from days of czarist grandeur, and glimpses of the **Sea of Japan**
- Historical Most Holy Mother of God **Cathedral**, hear remarkable stories of its restoration. Watch as the craftsmen continue the improvements to the Cathedral.
- **G.U.M. department store** and newly refurbished **Mall of Vladivostok**
- End of the **Trans Siberian Railroad**, ginger bread train station. See where Stalin's navy fleet was located, and huge seaport city with a population of one million.
- **Sedanka**, a spa area of Russia. Shop at Orthodox convent for icons.
- **Concert** at the Cathedral
- **Lesozavodsk**, via rail through **Tiger Forests** and villages via route.
- Entertainment and dinner at the parish center of the Visitation with trustees and parishioners.
- Tour of local sites
- **Cruise to Russian Island** on the Sea of Japan. See the new parish center there.

Russian Far East



The Russian Far East, where our mission society is helping to revive the Catholic Church

In the early 20th century the Russian Far East boasted a thriving Roman Catholic population. After the Russian revolution swept the country Siberia became a land without churches and without God.

In 1992 an American priest, Fr. Myron Effing, CJD, and brother, Daniel Maurer, (who was later to become only the second priest ordained in Russia in 72 years) arrived in Vladivostok to help re-establish the Church in this region. They currently pastor seven Catholic parishes in an area covering thousands of square miles.

Now you can experience the workings of the Holy Spirit, alive in Vladivostok! See the parishes the missionary priests have re-established and the ancient culture of the Russian Far East!

What Previous travelers to Russia had to say:

"Every one of us came back a changed person. . . we started entertaining the idea of coming back and living there. . . that's how much we fell in love with it. Russia will never leave my heart"

-Student at Franciscan University of Steubenville, OH

"I thank God for the opportunity to visit Vladivostok and to see how blessed we are in America. The people there are so appreciative of what we do for them to help them develop their parish and their faith"

-Priest from St. Cloud, MN

"For the first time I was able to touch what it must feel like to live without God. . . the oppression is being lifted up by the work among the believers at Holy Mary Mother of God Mission, and I feel privileged to pray and work for their cause."

-Realtor from Modesto, CA



Girls at a dance competition in Vladivostok