Mission Trip
To
San Jose, Costa Rica
June 11-18, 2016
Overview

San José is the capital of Costa Rica and the nation’s largest city. The population of San José is over 288,000 and the San José area is home to a third of Costa Rica’s population. San José and Costa Rica is fast becoming a vacation destination especially because of the country’s ecotourism focus.

The Episcopal Diocese of Costa Rica is in one of the newest Provinces of the Anglican Communion, Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America, and is made up of the Dioceses of Guatemala, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama. The Rt. Rev. Hector Monterroso Gonzalez is the Bishop of Costa Rica, and has visited St. Martin’s and Houston several times.

This family-friendly mission is part of a recently established companion relationship between the Diocese of Costa Rica and the Diocese of Texas. Up to 25 people will be able to participate in church construction and Vacation Bible School with kids at the two diocesan schools.

For more information on Costa Rica:


For more information on the Diocese of Costa Rica:

http://www.episcopalchurch.org/anglican-diocese/costa-rica
Fees and Travel

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Per person: budget at least $1,800 (includes airfare)
The above cost covers lodging, most meals included in the itinerary, except for a few nights out, tours and land transportation. **Adults:** You will need to make your own flight arrangements. You will need to book travel to be in Costa Rica by the evening of Saturday, June 11. We will be completing the mission trip on Saturday, June 18, but you can extend your trip if you wish to experience more of Costa Rica or travel elsewhere. Do not book a flight before 2pm on June 18. Flights are filling up, so it is important to make flight arrangements soon.

**Student Ministry:** Your flight arrangements will be made as a group once the full group has been confirmed. Round trip airfare averages between $750 and $1,000.

June 11, 2016

United Airlines Flight 1096
Leave Houston Intercontinental 9:10 AM arrives San Jose, Costa Rica 11:55 AM

- or -
United Airlines Flight 1098
Leave Houston Intercontinental 10:20 AM arrives San Jose, Costa Rica 1:05 PM

June 18, 2016

United Airlines Flight 1099
Leave San Jose, Costa Rica 2:05 PM arrive Houston Intercontinental 7:00 PM

Visas
No visa is needed to travel in Costa Rica from the United States.

Weather in Costa Rica
June is one of the wetter months all over Costa Rica. However, the majority of the rain falls as afternoon or evening showers.

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Itinerary (Tentative)

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Saturday June 11
Arrive in Costa Rica
Dinner at Diocesan House

Sunday June 12
Breakfast at Diocesan House
Church at La Ascension
Lunch & Sightseeing
Dinner
Evening Prayer

Monday June 13
Morning Prayer & Breakfast
Worksite (either Construction or VBS)
Lunch at Worksite
Dinner at Diocesan House
Evening Prayer

Tuesday June 14
Morning Prayer & Breakfast
Worksite (either Construction or VBS)
Lunch at Worksite
Dinner at Diocesan House
Evening Prayer

Wednesday June 15
Morning Prayer & Breakfast
Visit Hogar Escuela
Worksite (either Construction or VBS)
Lunch at Worksite
Dinner at Diocesan House
Evening Prayer

Thursday June 16
Morning Prayer
Worksite (either Construction or VBS)
Lunch at Worksite
Head to Manuel Antonio
Dinner in Manuel Antonio

Friday June 17
Day in Manuel Antonio

Saturday June 18
2:02 PM Leave on flight 1099