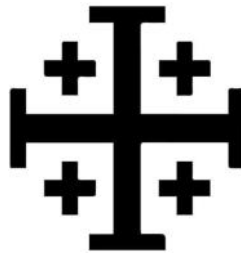


Shepherds Field Olive Wood Handcrafts

Holy Land Religious Articles

Coming November 29-30



As a tradition, many of the Catholic families in the Holy Land work in small workshops to produce religious articles from olive wood.

These articles represent the Christian art of the Holy Land.

In the past, they used to sell their artwork to pilgrims who visit the Holy Land. Now lack of pilgrims visiting due to political issues and the current war between the Israelis' and Hamas have caused economic hardships.

Many of the Catholic families immigrated and left the Holy Land.

The percentage of Christians in the Holy Land has dropped from 20% to less than 1%.

The struggle to preserve the Catholic identity of the birthplace of our savior; Jesus Christ is a serious concern for Catholics around the world.

**Shepherds Field Olive Wood Handcrafts
will be selling religious articles after Masses
Sales will be used to help and support the Catholics in the
Holy Land and to encourage them not to immigrate.**