

**TRAVELOGUE ~ AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND CRUISE**  
March 27, 2024, 1:00pm at Holy Rosary Parish Hall

**Sandra Hryhor** believes that it may very well be that once in a lifetime trip; if it is, what better way to travel to New Zealand and Australia than on a cruise ship?

Head down under with Sandra and discover the beauty of the New Zealand coastline, starting in Auckland and sailing south, stopping in various ports like Napier, Wellington, Picton and Port Chalmers. See the beautiful landscape of New Zealand and some of its flora and fauna.



Next head over to Melbourne, Australia, a vibrant exciting city, and the Healesville Sanctuary, where you will get acquainted with some of the native species of birds and reptiles, along with some incredibly special animals like the koala, kangaroo, Tasmanian devil, and the platypus.

Finish off the tour in Sydney, Australia, a

hustling and bustling city with its gorgeous harbour, Sydney Opera House, Taronga Zoo and so much more.



Join Sandra on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. at the Holy Rosary Parish Hall.



**TRAVELOGUE ~ ALASKA CRUISE**  
April 24, 2024, 1:00pm at Holy Rosary Parish Hall

In September 2022, well after the Covid pandemic health protocols were lifted, **Marion Stephens** and husband **James Cockroft** embarked on a two-week cruise on a luxurious Scenic Eclipse yacht from Nome, through the Bering Sea, around the Aleutian Islands, along the coast of Alaska with stops along the way and ending in



Vancouver. There were guided hikes through rain forests, visits to historic towns and unspoiled islands still inhabited by indigenous locals who proudly shared snippets of their culture and languages. The cruise included excursions in Zodiacs that glided into rocky coves and along remote beaches enabling those on board to see wild sea life such as seals, sea otters and bird habitat up close. Each evening there were slide show presentations highlighting birds and mammals to look out for the next day.



During the course of this trip Marion and James hiked up Saint Matthew Island rising out of the Bering Sea. This small island is uninhabited except

for its abundant bird life and small rodents and is said to be one of the most remote places in Alaska. They visited Dutch Harbor one of the world's largest and most famous fishing ports and the site of a Japanese aerial attack in 1942. One of their great thrills was sailing up close to the Hubbard Glacier. Another highlight was learning about dog sledding and the origins of the Iditarod.



**TRAVELOGUE ~ CANCELLED**  
May 22, 2024, 1:00pm at Holy Rosary Parish Hall