



CATHOLIC
FAITH
JOURNEYS

Assisi, Loreto & Rome

with Fr. Mark Moore & Fr. Tom Nelson

October 14 - 24, 2019



Day 1: Monday October 14, 2019 - USA / Rome - Depart Columbus John Glenn Airport (CMH) for your overnight flight to Rome (FCO) with transfer. Meals served on board.

Day 2: Tuesday, October 15 - Rome / Assisi - Arrive in Rome, transfer to Assisi & check in at the Hotel. Mass of Thanksgiving for safe travels. Afternoon free to explore Assisi on your own. Enjoy the quaint streets that were home to St. Francis and St. Clare 800 years ago, dinner and overnight in Assisi. (B, D)

Day 3: Wednesday, October 16 - Assisi - This morning, begin the day with Mass. After breakfast, you will participate in a guided tour of Assisi including such sites as the beautiful Basilica of St Francis, the Church of Santa Chiara, and the Basilica of St Mary of the Angels which houses the Porziuncola. The Remainder of the afternoon is free to explore this lovely hillside town on your own, dinner tonight at your hotel. (B, D)

Day 4: Thursday, October 17 – Loreto - Today we make our way to Loreto to see Mary's House. "The Holy House of Loreto is the first international sanctuary dedicated to the Virgin and true Marian heart of Christianity" (John Paul II). The Sanctuary of Loreto preserves, according to an ancient tradition, today proven by historical and archaeological research, the Nazareth house of the Madonna. The illustrious relic of the Holy House of Mary is an occasion to meditate on the high theological and spiritual messages related to the mystery of the Incarnation and to the announcement of Salvation. Return to Assisi for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Day 5: Friday, October 18 - Orvieto / Rome - After breakfast we say goodbye to Assisi and make our way to Rome. On the way we will stop in Orvieto, the town that sits on a 1,000-foot high rock formation, poetically crowned by Italy's most renowned Gothic cathedral. Because of its strategic location, Orvieto for centuries served as a refuge for the popes in troubled times. We visit the famous Cathedral housing the corporal of the Miracle of the Eucharist in Bolsena. Continue on to Rome for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Day 6: Saturday, October 19 - Rome – After breakfast we will have Mass at St. John Lateran, followed by a tour, and then visit the Holy Stairs, Santa Croce in Gerusalemme, San Clemente, time for lunch, St. Mary Major, the church of St. Alphonsus Liguori which houses the original icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, and the Basilica St. Lawrence outside the Walls. (B, D)

Day 7: Sunday, October 20 - Rome – Today we will begin with a private Mass at St. Peter's, followed by the Angelus in St. Peter's Square. After, time for lunch. Afternoon tour of Rome including: Piazza Navona, Chiesa Nuova, the Pantheon, the Tomb of St. Catherine of Siena, and St. Cecilia in Trastevere. After dinner enjoy an optional night walking tour of Rome, including the Trevi Fountain. (B, D)

Day 8: Monday, October 21- Rome - This morning we will tour the ancient Christian catacombs where we will also celebrate Holy Mass. Then we will stop at the Basilica of St. Paul outside the Walls, with time for lunch. After, a walking tour of the Roman Forum Colosseum, and St. Peter in Chains. After, we will see the Spanish Steps and the Piazza del Popolo. Remainder of the afternoon is free before dinner. (B, D)

Day 9: Tuesday, October 22 – Rome – This morning after Mass we will have a Scavi Tour. This afternoon we will head to the Vatican Museum where we will see the beautiful Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica. The rest of the afternoon free until dinner at the hotel. (B, D)

Day 10: Wednesday, October 23 – Rome - Pending the Holy Father's schedule, begin the day with a Papal Audience. The rest of the day is free to explore the Eternal City on your own. Mass followed by our farewell dinner at Abruzzi. (B, D)

Day 11: Thursday, October 24 - Rome / USA -This morning depart for the Rome airport for our return flight home. (B)

Private Mass will be celebrated daily; locations are subject to final confirmation.

NOTE: While no changes are anticipated, there may be occasions when certain alterations become necessary to this itinerary due to pending schedule confirmations, and/or, due to changes beyond our control.

LAND ONLY: \$2,889.00

per person, **Cash/Check discount**, based on 25 participants, & double occupancy. **Land Only price paying with credit card: \$ 3,004.00.**

Included

- 9 Nights accommodations
- 9 Breakfasts, 9 Dinners
- English speaking tour escort/ guide throughout
- Private motor coach throughout
- Transfers from international airport, for those on group air.
- Entrance fees as noted in itinerary
- Private Mass arrangements
- All tips to tour escort's, guides and drivers
- Taxes and fuel surcharge
(subject to increase 30 days prior to departure)

Not Included

- Round trip airfare out of CMH
Cost of air to be added to the Land Only price once it becomes available.
- Optional Travel insurance:
(strongly recommended)
- Lunches & beverages w/meals
- Transportation to/from CMH
- Items of personal nature
- Any items not specifically mentioned
- Very Limited Single rooms. Please call for availability.

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