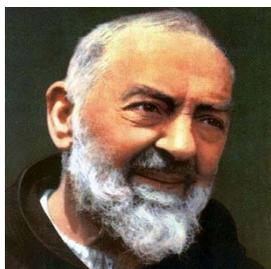


Assisi / San Giovanni Rotondo / Rome
Celebrating the Saints of Italy
Fr. Chris Kardzis, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Fremont
August 24 - September 4, 2020



Day 1 Monday Aug 24 - Depart USA for overnight flight to Rome (FCO). Meals served on board.

Day 2 Tuesday Aug 25 - Arrive in Rome, transfer to Assisi & check in at the Hotel. Enjoy dinner tonight at the Hotel.

Day 3 Wednesday Aug 26 - Assisi - After breakfast we begin we day with Mass. Afterwards we will participate in a guided tour of Assisi including sites as the beautiful Basilica of St Francis, the Church of Santa Clara which houses her Incorrupt body 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 Aug 27 - Norcia - Today's excursion takes us to Norcia, the birthplace of St. Benedict and his sister St. Scholastica. We will celebrate Mass with the Monks in the new San Benedetto Monastery in Monte, pending confirmation. Afterward, we will have a update on the rebuilding of the town and Monastery by the founder of the order, Fr. Cassian Folsom, (pending confirmation) followed by lunch, on your own, in a local restaurant. Return to Assisi for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Day 5 Friday Aug 28 - Lanciano / San Giovanni Rotondo - Depart Assisi this morning after breakfast. Drive east and south to Lanciano, a city noted for the oldest Eucharistic Miracle. Continue in the afternoon toward the Adriatic Coast and arrive at San Giovanni Rotondo late afternoon, check-in at Hotel and dinner. This evening join other pilgrims to pray the rosary. (B, D)

Day 6 Saturday Aug 29 - San Giovanni Rotondo - This morning we will visit Monte Sant'Angelo, where St. Michael appeared in 490. Visit the Sanctuary of Monte Sant'Angelo, built in the 13th century by Charles I of Anjou. Return to San Giovanni Rotondo this afternoon to visit the sites associated with the life of St. Padre Pio, a Capuchin monk noted for his deep humility, pious exercises and the stigmata he bore of the wounds of Christ. Three days after the monks celebrated the Feast of the Stigmata of St. Francis, St. Padre Pio was "gifted" with the outward signs of the wounds of Christ, though he had suffered from these wounds for 8 years internally. Visits include his tomb and cell, the old church where he received the stigmata, and his confessional. Mass to be celebrated at the Tomb of St. Padre Pio (If confirmed). Dinner and overnight in SGR. (B, D)

Day 7 Sunday Aug 30 - San Giovanni Rotondo / Monte Cassino / Rome Today we head to Rome. En-route, we will visit Monte Cassino Abbey, established in 529 by Saint Benedict of Nursia, the patron saint of Europe. St. Benedict and St. Scholastica are buried in the crypt. Following our visit we continue on to Rome for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Day 8 Monday Aug 31 - Rome: This morning we begin with visits to the three major basilicas in Rome, including the 1600-year-old St. Mary Major, St. John Lateran, the Cathedral of Rome, and St. Paul Outside the Walls, built over the Saint's burial place, and the Catacombs. Dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Day 9 Tuesday Sep 1 - Rome - Today we begin with Mass at St. Peter's (if confirmed). After Mass we will take our guided tour of the Vatican Museum and the Sistine Chapel. Remainder of day is free to shop or explore Rome on your own. (B, D)

Day 10 Wednesday Sep 2 - Rome Walk to St. Peter's for the Papal audience, (if available). After a brief stop for lunch, on your own, we will have our tour of ancient Rome. The highlights include the Capitoline Hill, the Arch of Constantine, Circus Maximus, and Colosseum. (B, D)

Day 11 Thursday Sep 3 - Rome - Today, for those who would like to walk we will walk to the Piazza Novana, Pantheon, Trevi Fountain.

Day 12 Friday Sep 4 - Rome / USA - This morning depart for the Rome airport (FCO) for our return flight home.

A Scavi Tour will be requested, if confirmed group will be notified and free time will be effected.

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.

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TOTAL COST: \$4,399.00 per person, **Cash/Ck** based on **30 pilgrims**, & double occupancy.
Credit card: \$4,574.00 per person.

If we fall below 30 the price will increase to: Cash/Ck:\$4,549.00 or Credit Card \$4,730.00.

Included

- Round trip air from DTW / FCO
- 10 Nights hotels
- 10 Breakfasts / 10 Dinners
- Beverages: 1/2 mineral water + glass of wine, per person, at dinners.
- English speaking tour escort/ guide throughout
- Private motor coach throughout
- Transfers to and from all international airports
- Entrance fees as noted in itinerary
- Private Mass arrangements daily
(Locations noted pending confirmation)
- Taxes and fuel surcharge
(subject to increase 30 days prior to departure)

Not Included

- Optional Travel insurance of **(strongly recommended)**
- Meals & beverages w/meals not specified above.
- All tips to tour escort, local guides and drivers.
- Items of personal nature
- Baggage fees imposed by airlines
- Any items not specifically mentioned.
- **Limited Single rooms: \$ 950.00 cash / check - \$ 988.00 credit Card.**

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