



CATHOLIC  
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JOURNEYS

# Christmastide & New Year in Italy

## with Rev. Adam Hertzfeld

### Florence / Assisi / Rome

### December 27, 2020 - January 7, 2021

**Sunday December 27:** Depart Detroit Airport for overnight flight to Italy.

**Monday December 28:** Arrive in Florence Italy, transfer to the hotel for dinner and overnight at the hotel. (D)

**Tuesday December 29:** We will begin the day with a walking tour of Florence including San Marco, Academia Museum, the Duomo, and Santa Croce. Free time for lunch, then we will head to Piazzale Michelangelo and visit San Miniato al Monte. Back at the hotel. Dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**Wednesday December 30:** This morning we will take a guided tour of the amazing Uffizi Gallery. At the end of the tour enjoy some free time for lunch and to explore this beautiful town on your own. Dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**Thursday December 31:** Today we leave Florence and head to Assisi. On the way we will stop in Siena, the home of St. Catherine. We will enjoy a walking tour which will include San Domenico, the Duomo and Campo square. Continue to Assisi for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**Friday January 1:** Blessed New Year! Enjoy a free morning to sleep in. This afternoon we will embark on a walking tour of Assisi with the opportunity to visit the tomb of St. Francis at his Basilica as well as marvel at Giotto's frescoes depicting the life of St. Francis. We will also visit the Basilica of St. Clare (where her incorrupt body lies in repose). Dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**Saturday January 2:** This morning we visit Santa Maria degli Angeli before making the drive to La Verna Mountain. Here St. Francis received the stigmata. We will enjoy a nice light lunch at the foresteria of the shrine then participate at the Mass, pending confirmation, and procession with the franciscan friars. Return to Assisi for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

**Sunday January 3:** Depart for Rome with a stop in Orvieto and Bolsena, pending confirmation. Orvieto is a 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 corporale of the Miracle of the Eucharist that actually occurred in Bolsena. Continues on to Rome for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**Monday January 4:** This morning we take a full day city tour of Rome which will include the Colosseum, Forum, Trevi fountain, Navona square and Pantheon. Rest of the day at leisure. Dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**Tuesday January 5:** Today we will do a full day Christian tour of Rome which includes the Vatican Museum, St. John Lateran, Saint Mary Major, Santa Croce in Gerusalemme and Holy Stairs. Dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**Wednesday January 6:** This morning we will head to St. Peter's for the Papal audience, pending the Holy Father's schedule. This afternoon we will visit St. Paul Outside the Walls and one of the catacombs. Dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**Thursday January 7:** Depart for Fiumicino airport for your return flight home.

**NOTES:** While no changes are anticipated, there may be occasions when sequence and days of visits may change and certain alterations become necessary due to changes/closures, weather, traffic and other items beyond our control. All Masses are subject to final confirmation.

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**\$4,399.00** per person, **Cash/Check discount**, based on 30 participants, & double occupancy. **Full price paying with credit card: \$ 4,574.00.**

#### Included

- Round trip airfare out of DTW
  - Transportation to/from TOL/DTW
  - 10 Nights accommodations
  - 10 Breakfasts, 10 Dinners, 1 lunch
  - 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
  - Taxes and fuel surcharge
- (subject to increase 30 days prior to departure)*

#### Not Included

- Optional Travel insurance: *(strongly recommended)*
- Lunches & beverages w/meals
- All tips to tour escort, local guides, drivers of \$ 165.00 per person. (Collected with final payment.)
- Items of personal nature
- Any items not specifically mentioned
- **Limited Single rooms add:**  
**\$ 850.00 with cash/ check.**  
**\$ 884.00 with credit card.**

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## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**Tour Prices:** All prices are based on airfares, land rates and exchange rates in effect at the time of pricing and on group rates of 30 passengers. Tours may depart with less than the required number of passengers, at the discretion of Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC but an additional charge may apply. Passengers will be advised about such surcharges 60 days before departure, unless other specified dated is stated. All prices are subject to change without notice prior to departure due to major currency fluctuations, changes in fuel prices and/or unforeseen economic circumstances.

**Reservations, Deposits and Final Payments:** Please complete the Participant Agreement/Registration form, with full names as they appear on passports, and mail it to us with the required per person deposit. Receipt of your deposit shall act as your agreement and understanding to these terms and conditions. Balance is due 60 days before departure date, unless other specified date is stated. If final payment is received less than 60 days, a late fee will be accessed in the amount of \$50.00. If final payment is made by credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover & American Express), Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC requires a completed credit card authorization form. All payments made by check should be made payable to Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC.

**Late Reservations:** If a booking is made within 60 days of departure, full payment plus applicable taxes and optional insurance is due at the time of booking. There will be a \$50.00 late processing fee applicable plus cost of any express or overnight mail services. No personal checks will be accepted with reservations received 30 days or less before departure date. Money order, bank check, certified check or credit cards (Visa, MasterCard, Discover & American Express) will be accepted.

**Travel Documents:** A valid passport (valid for six months after the return date of the trip) is required to travel. A Visa is required for US passport holders traveling to some destinations; please contact our office for details. All non-US citizens must contact the appropriate consular office for entry visa requirements pertaining to their trip. In addition non US citizens are responsible for complying with requirements for re-entry into the USA. Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC assumes no responsibility for procurement of passport or visas. Obtaining and carrying these documents is the sole responsibility of passengers. Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC will not be responsible for any delays, damages and/or losses, including missed portions of your trip, due to improper travel documentation.

**Final Documents and Tickets:** All documents and tickets are only issued upon receipt of final payment and are sent within 2-3 weeks of departure. Documents and tickets are not guaranteed if final payment and booking form are not received on time.

**Air from Home City:** Some departures may be based on a New York gateway. If this is the case Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC can help arrange air transportation from your home city airport. Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC is not responsible for any penalties incurred on any air tickets not purchased from us, in case of changes in the schedule of the tour. If you are purchasing your own airline tickets, please make sure that your flight time arrives before or the same time as the group air.

**Air Changes, Cancellations & Refunds:** Airline tickets issued by Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC are highly restrictive and in most instances cannot be reissued, revalidated or exchanged. If a change is possible, a \$75 per person administrative fee, plus any applicable airline change fees, will be assessed once air tickets have been issued. Airline penalties vary depending on carrier.

**Airline Seat Assignments and Special Services:** There is no advance seat selection with group tickets. Early check-in is necessary to secure seats with travel companions. Seating is solely under control of the airlines. Some airfares used may be eligible for frequent flyer mileage.

**Independent Airfare:** *Passengers booking their own airfare should **not** do so until group has been confirmed and will operate. Please contact Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC before purchasing any airfare. Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC is not responsible for changes made with the group air contract that may or may not coincide with your airfare purchase.*

**Airport Transfers** Those with independent air are responsible for their own transfer from the airport to the hotel upon arrival and from final hotel to airport upon departure.

**Baggage:** Each passenger is allowed one suitcase per person with total maximum dimensions of 62" and a maximum weight of 50 lbs., plus one carry on with maximum dimensions of 9" x 13" x 21". Airlines also have their own baggage restrictions and fees; please check with the air carrier prior to your departure. **All baggage and baggage fees are the passenger's responsibility throughout the tour. Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC is not responsible for loss, theft or damage to your baggage. If a bag is lost or damaged In-flight, the passenger is responsible for notifying the airline directly, before leaving the airport of arrival.**

**Airline Clause:** The airlines concerned will not be held responsible for any act, omission, or event during the time passengers are not aboard their aircraft. The passenger tickets in use by the airline, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between airline and the purchaser of these tickets and/or passenger. These tours may be sold in connection with the services of any ATC or IATA Airline.

**Rooms:** Prices shown on the flyer are per person, based on two persons sharing a hotel room or cabin. A limited number of single rooms are available at additional cost. In some cases, when requested, we may be able to find an appropriate roommate for passengers who have booked as a single person. If a roommate is not available, you may have to pay the single room supplement. While single rooms provide privacy they are often smaller than twin bedrooms. Triple rooms may be available in some hotels for family or friends traveling together. There are no discounts for triple rooms.

**Medical Conditions:** While we endeavor to provide the highest level of service to all our passengers, we cannot guarantee special facilities or assistance for disabled passengers and it is your responsibility to arrange for such assistance as required. Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC is not responsible for any medical conditions that may occur prior, during, or after the tour.

**Land Only Bookings & Tour Deviations:** When Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC packages include airfare the departure city will be noted on the itinerary. Land only bookings will not include arrival and departure transfers. Any deviations from the tour, requested by the client, will be assessed a charge of \$100.00 per person, plus any additional costs the change may incur.

**Responsibility:** The tour member understands, and agrees, that he or she has no claim against Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC, and its affiliates, for any delay or damage to or loss of property or baggage or injury to or death of persons due to any neglect or willful act of a direct air carrier, hotel, bus company, transportation company or service company of any kind, or any other person or persons rendering any of the services being offered in connections with these tours. Further, Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC advises that it has no ownership interest whatsoever in any hotel, restaurant, bus company or transportation or service company of any kind outside the USA, nor does it have any employee outside of the USA. You may see the name Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC affixed to motor vehicles, on signs around the hotel or elsewhere. This use of our name is purely for reasons of identification and does not denote ownership, supervision, or control by Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC in any way. Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC, and its overseas representatives reserve the right without notice to change, amend or cancel any part or all of the tour and to make such changes as may be necessary. Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC acts only as an agent in securing hotels, transportation and other travel services from suppliers and in no event shall Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC be liable in the event of any failure by any person or company to render any transportation, lodging or other travel services to be provided on the tour. The acceptance of the initial service to be provided under the tour shall be considered an acceptance by the tour member of these conditions. If there is a difference between the conditions of Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC and those published by suppliers, the conditions of suppliers shall apply. Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC reserves the right to substitute hotel, cruise ships and air carriers of similar quality, and reserves the right to vary the sequence of sightseeing and/ or to re-route the order of cities. In calculating the cost of the trip, Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC has relied on your understanding and consent to these terms and in the absence of this release, the cost of the trip would be higher. A contract is made when your reservation and payment are accepted by Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC and any dispute shall be governed by Ohio law. We reserve the right to decline to accept a person, or remove a person from a tour, if such person presents a significant risk to the health or safety of himself or the group and the person cannot otherwise be reasonably accommodated.

**Cancellation Policy and Refunds:** We hope that nothing will prevent you from taking your Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC pilgrimage. However, should you need to cancel, your cancellation must be received in writing, via email, fax or by letter. It will be effective on the date of receipt. If you cancel your tour after you have received your documents and airline tickets, you must return them to Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC before we can process your refund. The following cancellation fees will apply, please contact us for details.

**You are responsible for the cost of any non-refundable payments for hotels, land operations and airline tickets that have been issued on your behalf plus the following cancellation charges per person:**

| Days Prior to Departure | Charge           |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| 91 or more              | \$350.00         |
| 90 to 61                | \$700.00         |
| 60 to 46                | 50% of tour cost |
| 45 to 31                | 75% of tour cost |
| 30 to 1 or no show      | No refund        |

Once the tours commence, there will be no refunds on missed or unused portions of the tour programs. **Purchase of Travel Insurance is strongly recommended.**

**Government issued warnings/advisories:** Catholic Faith Journeys, LLC cannot change the cancellation terms or conditions based on the issuance of any warning or advisory issued by the State Department or Center of Disease Control, or the occurrence of any terror, health or other incident in one or more of the places this pilgrimage is scheduled to visit. All cancellation penalties remain in full force and effect. You are encouraged to purchase Travel Insurance to protect your financial investment and any health issues you may have while traveling.

**If we cancel:** We reserve the right to cancel a specific departure date or whole tour due to lack of participation. We will not be liable, however, for costs incurred by you not paid to us, such as visas and passport costs, items of a personal nature, domestic transportation either by ground or air etc. nor will we be liable for any psychological damages, traumas, stress, disappointment, personal and financial loss resulting from our change of departure date or cancellation of a tour. Refunds are not provided for services included, but not used on a trip.

**Not Included in the Published Price:** Port taxes, and items not listed on each program such as meals, beverages and items of personal nature, baggage fees and excess luggage allowance, laundry, room service, travel insurance, passport and visas costs, shore excursions, expenses for additional sightseeing not specified in the itinerary, any incurred medical costs and replacement of items forgotten or stolen while on the tour, and gratuities (a list of suggested tips will be provided with final documents).

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