

INCLUSIONS

- Accommodations for 10 overnights on bed and continental basis
- Welcome and Farewell dinners with drinks
- Rome Airport transfers
- Guided tours and entrance fees to sites as indicated in the itinerary
- Reserved admission to Colosseum, Vatican Museums and Scavi (the latter upon availability)
- Tickets to Papal Audience (provided the Holy Father is in)
- Donations to local churches for self celebrated masses.

ROME HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

While in Rome, we will stay in the religious guesthouse Residenza Madri Pie. Madri Pie are modest and simple accommodations with all the comforts of a hotel including private bathrooms. It is situated in the heart of Rome, just 150 meters from the left-hand side colonnade of Saint Peter's Square.

EXCLUSIONS

- Single Room Supplement
- Drinks, personal services and tips for guides and drivers
- Travel Insurance (highly recommended)
- Passport and Visa Costs
- Round trip airfare
- In Orvieto, to reach the top of the village from the rail station, we must take a funicular. Cost 2 Euro pp round trip.
- Transfer to/from Welcome and Farewell dinners is not provided, but the restaurants will be walking distance from Madri Pie.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

A completed registration form and a \$350 deposit per person is required by November 30, 2012 to Faith in Travel to secure your spot on the tour. Once the number of 30 participants is reached, a waitlist will be started. Late registrations are possible but subject to space availability. The final payment is due by March 15, 2013.



Art, good food, history, spirituality and fellowship, all in the beautiful cities and countryside of Italy... Interested? If the answer is "yes" then you are invited to join me and others for a study tour and pilgrimage to Rome, Florence, Orvieto, Naples and Assisi. Our eleven day trip will have all the usual characteristics of a pilgrimage to Italy with guided travel and tours to important historical and cultural sites, the celebration of Mass at spiritually significant holy places and an immersion into the food and drink of Italian culture. But our trip will also be unique in two ways.

The first is that it will include a study component on the topic of Art and Theology. This optional component will be available for academic credit for Brescia students. Nearly every day will feature an optional walk with me and our students to view the art that can be found in the churches and squares of all the cities we will visit. Lectures will be delivered daily as a follow up to these visits and to provide an opportunity to participants to discuss what they have seen and learned. For those who choose to participate in these activities, they may do so for academic credit or simply for personal enrichment.

This brings me to the second unique feature of our pilgrimage. Most international tours are heavily guided with activities for almost every minute of the day. Because of the optional activities of the study tour, this trip will allow for time every day to explore on your own. If you like the idea of a tour of Italy with some guided activities and plenty of free time for personal exploration, this trip is for you!

So, I hope you will consider joining us for what will be the trip of a lifetime.

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Bella ^{Custom Catholic Pilgrimage} Of Italia

Rome, Vatican City, Assisi, Naples,
Pompeii, Florence, and Orvieto

JUNE 1 TO JUNE 12, 2013

11 Nights & 12 Days

GROUP LEADER

Reverend Fr. Larry Hostetter, S.T.D.
President, Brescia University



ITINERARY

Day 1 - June 1 (Sat) Depart USA

Day 2 - June 2 (Sun)

Arrive in Rome and meet your tour director for your included group transfer to your hotel. Today we will celebrate Mass to celebrate the beginning of our journey. Your guide will assist you with suggestions of how to utilize your free time throughout your stay. Enjoy a festive Welcome Dinner this evening. *Optional walk with Fr. Larry: During the day step outside of our hotel and walk around St. Peter's in preparation for the formal tour the next day. He will point out stores to purchase religious materials during your stay. (B, D)*

Day 3 - June 3 (Mon)

Today we will celebrate Mass in St. Peter's and partake in a guided tour of ST. PETER'S SQUARE AND BASILICA. Subject to availability, we will take the Scavi tour and journey through the Necropolis allowing you to walk through centuries to Peter's remains and to confront with historical tangibility the last thing Peter may have seen in this life. *Optional walk with Fr. Larry: Visit the Churches of St. Clement and, if time permits, St. Praexedes and St. Prudentia. (B)*

Day 4 - June 4 (Tues)

Celebrate Mass this morning and then, enjoy a guided tour of the VATICAN MUSEUMS and the SISTINE CHAPEL, world famous for Michelangelo's ceiling paintings and The Last Judgment. *Optional walk with Fr. Larry: Renaissance Rome. We will visit the Campo dei Fiori, Piazza Navonna and, if time permits, the Baroque churches around Santa Susanna, the American parish. (B)*

Day 5 - June 5 (Wed)

Mass this morning. Attend the weekly general audience of the Pope (subject to availability). This afternoon visit ST. PAUL OUTSIDE THE WALLS & Appian Way. Continue to the CATACOMBS. During the persecutions, the catacombs were used as places of refuge for the celebration of the Eucharist. *Optional walk with Fr. Larry: Rome at night. Rome is beautiful at night. Enjoy a leisurely walk around the main sites with perhaps a stop to enjoy a special Roman treat: the Tartufo. (B)*

Day 6 - June 6 (Thu)

After breakfast we will depart Rome by train for a day trip to Florence. Have the benefit of a guided walking tour of Florence including time for Mass and free time to explore on your own. (B)

Day 7 - June 7 (Fri)

Celebrate Mass this morning followed by a guided tour of Ancient Rome. Discover the wonder of the Roman Forum and the Colosseum. *Optional walk with Father Larry: Counter Reformation Rome and the great Jesuit Churches and their art.*

Day 8 - June 8 (Sat)

After Mass this morning, we will journey south by comfortable motorcoach to discover history, art and archaeology on a fascinating day trip to Naples and Pompeii. Your journey takes you from Rome to the Gulf of Naples, where Mount Vesuvius erupted in 79 A.D., devastating the towns of Pompeii and Herculaneum.

Day 9 - June 9 (Sun)

Depart by motorcoach this morning for Orvieto to take pleasure in a guided tour, Mass, and free time. Orvieto is one of the most beautiful hill top towns in Italy, nestled in the heart of Umbria between rolling hills, Etruscan landscapes and views to dream about. Following our tour we will journey to Assisi, built at the foot of Mount Subasio for an evening at leisure. Overnight in Assisi. (B)

Day 10 - June 10 (Mon)

Today visit the BASILICAS OF ST. FRANCIS and ST. CLARE where you will celebrate Mass and see the crucifix that spoke to St. Francis. A short trip by minibus will take you to the CARCERI HERMITAGE, where St. Francis came to meditate and pray, an oasis of peace and tranquility in the midst of the woods of Mount Subasio. The balance of the day is at leisure. Overnight in Assisi. *Optional walk with Father Larry: Assisi at night. (B)*

Day 11 - June 11 (Tue)

Celebrate Mass this morning prior to a relaxed return bus ride to Rome. Enjoy your final day in Italy at leisure or join Fr. Larry's walk. Festive Farewell Dinner this evening. *Optional walk with Father Larry: Students will travel as a group to each of the student's favorite works of art in the city with the assignment of explaining to the group the significance of their choice. All pilgrims are invited to join this final walk to learn from our students. (B,D)*

Day 12 - June 12 (Wed)

Depart for USA.

TOUR PRICING

Land Price: **\$2385** per person based on double occupancy
Group Air from Nashville: **\$1495** per person
Single room supplement: **\$370**

Faith in Travel encourages you to purchase Travel Insurance

Cost is depending on coverage offered through Travel Insured:
Group Deluxe Insurance for **\$245** per person
Group Deluxe with Cancel for Any Reason for **\$365** per person