

Join us on Pilgrimage to Italy

November 3 - 13, 2021

Join Father Peter McShurley and Father Ed Hathaway of the Diocese of Arlington on pilgrimage to Italy this autumn. This trip features six nights in Rome and three nights in Assisi and includes round-trip airfare, beautiful four star hotels, private transportation, an incredible program of Catholic and cultural tours led by Catholic master guides, most meals, and daily Mass, prayers and spiritual direction. Space is limited!

\$4490.00 per person, air-inclusive from IAD

For More Information or to Register

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Wednesday, November 3 St. Martin de Porres

Today the group will meet at IAD airport at the gate of departure at 8:00 PM. We will then board Lufthansa Airlines flight 415, scheduled to depart for Munich at 11:30 PM.

Our flight lands in Munich at 12:15 PM (next day). We will then have some time to stretch our legs prior to boarding Lufthansa Airlines flight 1868 for Rome, Italy. Departure is at 1:20 PM.

Thursday, November 4 St. Charles Borromeo

Our flight arrives at 2:50 PM. Upon arrival we will collect our luggage and meet our tour director and private coach. We then depart for Rome, where we will check-in at the four-star Hotel Michelangelo (or similar). This beautiful hotel is located right next to the Vatican City. After checking in we will enjoy an open-air coach tour of the city of Rome, stopping for Mass and a tour at the Basilica of St Mary Major.

Following our visit to St. Mary Major we will then make our way to the church of San Carlo al Corso, the resting place of the heart of St. Charles Borromeo, whose feast we celebrate today! We'll then return to the hotel for dinner together.

Friday, November 5

Today we begin with Mass at the tomb of Pope St. John Paul II in St. Peter's Basilica. We'll then tour the Basilica together, followed by an optional climb to the top of Michelangelo's great dome.

Following Mass we will make our way "outside the walls" to the catacombs of St. Sebastian. Prior to the tour we will enjoy an Italian pranzo at the lovely restaurant Cecilia Metella, nestled in a garden overlooking the Basilica of St. Sebastian. Following our lunch we will enter the Basilica of St. Sebastian in order to venerate the great saint and martyr Sebastian, together with the many other witnesses of the Faith buried here. There will then be an optional excursion underground on a guided tour of the catacombs.

Departing the catacombs we will then make our way back to the hotel for a free evening. You might consider joining your tour director to Abruzzi for dinner!

Saturday, November 6 The Blessed Virgin Mary

Today begins with a visit to the Cathedral of Rome, built by Constantine in honor of Christ the S avior, dedicated to St. John the Evangelist and St. John the Baptist, "the Lateran."

Here we will celebrate Holy Mass followed by a Holy Hour together. We will then have free time for lunch, followed by visits to the Holy Stairs and the Basilica of the Holy Cross in Jerusalem. Our day concludes with dinner together at La Vittoria.

Sunday, November 7

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today begins with Mass in the Basilica of Sts. Cosmas and Damian, located within the Roman Forum! We will then tour the Roman Forum and the Colosseum. Following the tour we have lunch at Isidoro, a wonderful hosteria located nearby the Colosseum.

Following lunch we will visit the Basilica of San Clemente. Here we will again go underground - three levels - to discover Rome's incredible past. Guided by a Dominican friar, we will actually see and experience the transformation of the city of Rome from the first century until the 20th century, and discover some of her most incredible relics and works of art along the way!

After the tour we're off to Trastevere to visit the Basilica of St. Cecilia. We will then enjoy a free evening in Rome. You might consider joining your tour director on an evening hike up the Gianicolo for an incredible view of the Eternal City!



Monday, November 8

Today begins with a tour beneath St. Peter's Basilica - the Scavi Tour. The Scavi Tour is a subterranean tour that takes the visitor right to the tomb of St. Peter. A free lunch follows the tour.

Our afternoon then features Mass and a tour of St. Paul's Outside the Walls. We will depart for the great Basilica of St. Lawrence. Here we will venerate the tombs of St. Lawrence, St. Stephen, St. Justin Martyr and Blessed Pope Pius IX. We'll then head back to the hotel where we will enjoy dinner together.

Tuesday, November 9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Today we will then enjoy a guided tour of the churches, piazzas and temples of the Campus Martius, the ancient "Field of Mars." This tour includes some of Rome's favorite sites, such as the Pantheon and the Piazza Navona - as well as countless sacred sites and relics.

Throughout the course of the day we will examine the Counter Reformation, exploring the lives, legacies and churches of great 16th century saints like St. Philip Neri and St. Ignatius of Loyola. In the early evening we will celebrate Mass at the tomb of St. Monica in the church of St. Augustine, followed by a leisurely stroll through Rome's most beautiful streets.

Our day concludes with dinner at Le Cave di Sant'Ignazio, one of Rome's best restaurants located just across from the Basilica of St. Ignatius! After dinner consider joining your tour director on an optional visit to the Trevi Fountain.

Wednesday, November 10 St. Leo the Great

Today begins with a Papal Audience! Following the Audience we will depart by bus for Assisi. On the way there we will stop in the hilltop town of Orvieto for Mass and a tour of the Cathedral. This beautiful Cathedral serves as a reliquary for the Eucharistic Miracle of Bolsena, the first Church-approved Eucharistic miracle and the impetus behind the institution of the Feast of Corpus Christi!

We're then back on the bus and headed to Assisi. Upon arrival at bus parking, taxis will shuttle us into the medieval city center to the lovely Hotel dei Priori, a 16th century palace located right off of the main square. We'll then enjoy a group dinner together at Il Menestrello.

Thursday, November 11 St. Martin of Tours

Today begins with Mass at the tomb of St. Francis followed by a tour of the Basilica built over his tomb. Following lunch we will depart for the original home of the Franciscan order. and the place of St. Francis's death - the Porziuncola. Here we will say a rosary together.

Following our visit to the Porziuncola we will visit the monastery of San Damiano, the original monastery of the Poor Clares and the place of St. Clare's death. We'll then return to the hotel for some free time followed by dinner.

Friday, November 12 St. Josaphat

Today begins with Mass in the Basilica of St. Clare. Following Mass we will enter the crypt of the church to venerate her relics. The rest of the day is free - you might explore the other churches of Assisi, or perhaps consider a hike up to Rocca Maggiore, a beautiful castle overlooking Assisi and the Umbrian plains below! In the evening we will rendezvous at the hotel and then depart for a farewell dinner.

Saturday, November 13 St. Francis Xavier Cabrini

Today begins with Mass in the Chiesa Nuova, which is built over the home of St. Francis of Assisi. We will then depart for FCO airport. Our flight Lufthansa Airlines 719 departs FCO at 1:05 PM and arrives in Munich at 2:40 PM. After a brief layover we will board LH flight 414, which departs for IAD at 4:30 PM and arrives at 7:55 PM.

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME & ASSISI

COST \$4490.00/per person

SINGLE ROOMM \$890.00 Surcharge PAYMENT SCHEDULE

\$200.00 - Due at Registration \$2145.00 - Due June 15, 2021 \$2145.00 - Due September 1, 2021 **UPGRADES**

Seat upgrades are available for a fee. Please inquire.

PRICE INCLUDES

- Round-trip airfare on Lufthansa Airlines, IAD-FCO, economy class
- Luggage on flights::1 carry-on, 1 personal item and 1 checked bag
- 6 Nights Accommodation (Double Occupancy) in the Four Star Hotel Michelangelo, Rome
- 3 Nights Accommodation (Double Occupancy) in the Four Star Hotel dei Priori, Assisi
- Deluxe Mercedes Benz Motor Coach throughout the trip
- Bluetooth Audio Touring System throughout the course of the trip
- ProRome Pilgrimage Director throughout the course of the trip
- Professional English-speaking tour guides throughout the course of the trip
- Daily buffet breakfast
- Daily three course lunch or dinner, according to the above itinerary, including water and local house wine
- All entrance admissions to the various sites and museums according to the above itinerary.
- All taxes
- All gratuities (a \$200.00 per person value)

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Choice of seats on flights. We will make sure that couples are sitting together.
- One daily meal (lunch or dinner)
- Beverages other than water or local house wine at the group meals
- Hotel extras and mini-bar items
- Anything not specifically mentioned in the tour program

HOW TO REGISTER

Visit www.prorome.com/italy-arlington for more information or to register. Alternatively, you may request that we send you a form by emailing us at info@prorome.com or by calling us (434) 365-2743.

