



Shrines of Italy & Medjugorje

June 10 - 21, 2024

12-Day Pilgrimage

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Daily Itinerary



- Round-trip airfare
- Land Transportation as per itinerary
- First-Class Hotels
- Price based on double occupancy
- Two meals per day (breakfast & dinner)
- Airport taxes/fuel surcharges/fees
- Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- Professional Local Guides
- Medical Protection Plan



- Travel/Trip cancellation insurance
- Lunch or any meals not specified in the program itinerary
- Gratuities to the tour manager, guides, and drivers
- Items of a personal nature
- Passport & visa costs, if any
- Items not specifically mentioned above.



- Send registration form plus your nonrefundable / non-transferable \$300 depoosit, and copy of your passport to the address below.
- Final payment is due March 1, 2024 (100 Days before departure)
- Late registrations received after the deadline require full payment (subject to availability).

Day 1 Flight to Rome, Italy

Today: Your pilgrimage begins by boarding your overnight flight to Rome. Rest assured, all necessary preparations for your journey have been made. So sit back, relax, and enjoy your flight. Your spiritual journey awaits in Rome!

Day 2 Rome

Today: After arriving in Rome, you will be greeted at the airport by your tour guide escort you into the city for a panoramic tour beginning with the famous Trevi Fountain, where you will have some free time on your own for lunch. Afterward, we will check into your hotel for the evening.

Evening: Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

Day 3 The Vatican

Today: This morning, we begin by attending a papal audience with Pope Francis. Afterward, we will visit the Vatican Museums to see centuries of beautiful art work and artifacts, such as Michelangelo's Pieta and the Sistine Chapel. Next, we will explore St. Peter's Basilica, followed by the recently excavated necropolis. Evening: Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

Day 4 Rome

Today: After breakfast, we begin our day at one of Rome's four major papal Basilica's, St. Mary Major. In addition to being one of the seven pilgrim churches of Rome, it also contains a relic from the manger of Jesus. Next, we visit the Scala Sancta (or Holy Stairs), the steps Christ climbed himself to face judgment from Pontius Pilate. Those who wish, may climb the stairs on their knees, as is customary. Afterward, we will visit the Basilica of St. John Lateran, once the residence of Popes. Next, is another of Rome's four major Papal Basilicas, St. Paul Outside the Walls, which is built over the burial place of St. Paul the Apostle. Next, we will visit the Church of Domine Quo Vadis, where Christ appeared to Peter, giving him the strength and courage to follow him into martyrdom, as foretold in the Gospels. Our last scheduled stop of the day will be the catacombs where the persecuted Christians practiced their faith in hiding and are also buried.

Evening: Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

Day 5 Rome / Monte Cassino / San Giovanni Rotondo

Today: Heading south, we will pass through the rich Italian countryside of vineyards, orchards, and olive groves. Take in the amazing panoramic views before arriving in Monte Cassino, a town founded by St. Benedict in 529. Here, we will tour the magnificent Abbey of Monte Cassino, where the Benedictine Order was founded, as well as the Church of St. Peter and Paul. Afterward, we will continue to San Giovanni Rotondo, the home of St. Padre Pio.

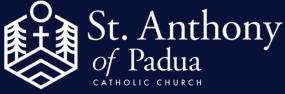
Evening: Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

Day 6 San Giovanni Rotondo / Monte Sant' Angelo

Today: We begin our day with mass at the tomb of St. Padre Pio, where we will take a tour of the sanctuary. We will see the old church and crucifix before which he received the stigmata in 1918. We will also see the confessional where he directed people on their path, and stand as we pray before Padre Pio's incorrupt body. Moving on, we have a stunning view of the Gargano Peninsula as we visit the Grotto of Michael the Archangel. Saints, popes, and people from all over have come to this grotto looking for the protection and intercession of St. Michael.

Evening: Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.





Day 7 San Giovanni Rotondo / Lanciano / Assisi

Today: We begin our day by traveling to Lanciano, where we will visit the Church of St. Longinus where we will see the Eucharistic Miracle and celebrate Mass. After lunch, we will make our way to Assisi, the home of St. Francis, the patron saint of animals and the founder of the Franciscan Order.

Evening: Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

Day 8 Assisi

Today: We begin our day with Mass at St. Mary of the Angels Basilica, the tiny church in the woods where St. Francis began his ministry and where St. Clare began her religious life. We will tour the Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi and view many of his personal possessions, such as the crucifix that said to him, "Rebuild my Church." Afterward, we will visit the chapel where St. Francis spent most of his time as well as the Church of St. Clare, where her relics are kept. The rest of the day is for shopping, relaxing, or exploring on your own.

Evening: Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

Day 9 Assisi / Loreto / Ferry to Split, Croatia

Today: After breakfast this morning, we will have free time for private devotions. After lunch, we will continue toward the Adriatic coast to the great Marian Shrine of Loreto. Here, we will visit the Holy House of Nazareth and the beautiful Madonna of Loreto.

Evening: Depart on an overnight ferry to Split, Croatia. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be on board.

Day 10 Medjugorje

Today: Upon arrival in Split, you will be greeted by your tour guidewho will escort you on a beautiful scenic drive to the village of Medjugorje. You are free to explore the village on your own before retiring to the hotel for the evening.

Evening: Overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

Day 11: Medjugorje

Today: While in Medjugorje, you will have the opportunity to share with other pilgrims from around the world, strengthening your faith while experiencing this wonderful Marian Shrine. We willAttend Mass, followed by a climb up Apparition Hill, where the visionaries first encountered Our Lady. Also, at the base of this hill, is a Blue Cross where it is said Our Lady appeared to the children while they hid from the communist police in the early days of the apparitions. Each pilgrim will have time for private devotions, lunch, shopping, or exploring on your own.

Evening: Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

Day 12 Return Flight Home

Today: This morning we will transfer to the airport to catch our return flight home.



St. Francis of Assisi



THE TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

Air Transportation: Economy class and round-trip airfares are based on the time of the reservation. Rates and times are subject to change without notice. Airfares, once issued, **ARE NON-REFUNDABLE, NON –TRANSFERABLE, AND CANNOT BE USED TOWARDS FUTURE TRAVEL.**

Land Transportation: All land transportation as described in the itinerary will be by Deluxe Motor Coach. Some may be equipped with Wi-Fi service.

Hotels: Your hotels will be first-class with double occupancy (2 people per room with a private bath). Neither Nativity Pilgrimage nor the trip coordinator are responsible for providing a roommate.

Single Room: There is an additional cost per person as specified on the registration form. Single rooms are limited and will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

Meal Plan: The meal plan offers two (2) meals per day: Breakfast & Dinner.

Baggage: Nativity Pilgrimage limits all passengers to one (1) piece of checked luggage and one (1) carry-on. All passengers should check with the airlines carriers for up to date baggage weight and dimensions.

Tips for your guide & driver: \$200 in tips for each passenger is included in the price.

Airport Fees: Porterage, airport taxes, fuel surcharges and security fees

Medical: A medical protection plan that covers you for the duration of your trip.

THE TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

Passport Expenses: Passports or any additional documents that may be required Passports must be valid after 6 months of return date.

Personal Items: Laundry, other beverages (wines, liquors, mineral water, tea, coffee, etc.)

Non-itinerary fees: Any sightseeing, other services, or personal items that are not specifically mentioned as being included in the itinerary.

Cancellation Protection Plan: We highly recommend purchasing travel insurance upon registration.

Lunch: Breakfast and dinner are covered in your meal plan. You are responsible for lunch or any other meals not specified in your itinerary.

BOOKING CONDITIONS

A non-refundable deposit of \$300.00 per person is required at the time of booking. No reservation will be processed without a deposit. **Full payment is due March 1, 2024 (100 Days before departure).** Late registrations received after the deadline require an additional \$100 (subject to availability). If payment is not made in full 50 days prior to departure, your payments are non-refundable.

YOU MAY USE ANY MAJOR CREDIT CARD TO PAY YOUR DEPOSIT ONLY. THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL 3% CHARGE FOR EACH CREDIT CARD PAYMENT. FOR ANY REMAINING PAYMENTS, WE ACCEPT CHECKS, MONEY ORDERS, ZELLE, ACH, AND WIRE TRANSFERS.

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

We hope that nothing will prevent you from taking your pilgrimage with Nativity Pilgrimage, however, should you need to cancel your cancellation must be in writing via email or letter. It will be effective on the date of receipt. The following cancellation fees will apply:

DAYS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE	CHARGE
100 + Days	Lose Deposit
99-50 Days	50% of trip cost
49 Days	100% of trip cost

Insurance premiums are non-refundable. We highly recommend purchasing travel insurance to avoid these cancellation fees.

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The right is reserved by Nativity Pilgrimage to cancel any tour prior to departure. Refund detail settlement conditions vary upon each trip.

No refund will be made for any used portion of the tour unless arrangements are made prior to departure from the United States.

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