



# ITALY & MEDJUGORJE

10-DAY PILGRIMAGE † DECEMBER 02 - 11, 2024



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**\$4,399 PER PERSON**

DEPARTURE FROM ATLANTA, GA

**FOR INFO**

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# Daily Itinerary



## **DAY 1: DEPART FROM USA**

Your pilgrimage begins today as you depart on your overnight flight to Rome. Meals and drinks will be served in-flight.

## **DAY 2: ROME**

After arriving in Rome, we will travel from the airport to our hotel to relax and settle in. Spend your evening meal getting acquainted with your fellow pilgrims. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

## **DAY 3: VATICAN CITY**

This morning, we begin by attending a papal audience with Pope Francis. Afterward, we will visit the Vatican Museums and see centuries of beautiful artifacts and artwork, such as Michelangelo's Pieta and the Sistine Chapel. Next, we will explore St. Peter's Basilica, where St. Peter, the first Pope and Bishop of Rome, was martyred. Finally, we will visit the recently excavated necropolis before returning to our hotel for the evening. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

## **DAY 4: ROME**

After breakfast, we will begin our day at the Basilica of St. Mary Major, which contains a relic from the manger of the infant Jesus. Next, we will visit the Scala Sancta, the stairs Christ climbed to stand before Pontius Pilate. Those who wish may climb the stairs on their knees, as is custom. Next, we will see the Basilica of St. John Lateran, once the residence of popes. It is a marvelous site, as is St. Paul Outside the Walls, which shelters the relics of St. Paul the Apostle. Next, we will visit the Church of Domine Quo Vadis, where Christ appeared to Peter and gave him the courage to follow him to martyrdom, as foretold in the Gospels. Finally, we will visit the catacombs to see where persecuted Christians practiced their faith in hiding. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

## **DAY 5: ROME / MONTE CASSINO / SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO**

Heading south, we pass through the rich Italian countryside of vineyards, orchards, and olive groves. Take in the amazing panoramic views as the hills and valleys call to you. Our first stop will be Monte Cassino, a town founded by St. Benedict in 529. Afterward, we will continue to San Giovanni Rotondo, the hometown of St. Padre Pio. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

## **DAY 6: SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO / MONTE SANT'ANGELO**

After breakfast, we will celebrate mass at St. Padre Pio's tomb and take a sanctuary tour. We will see the old church and the crucifix before which he received the stigmata in 1918. We will also see the confessional, where he directed people on their path and his incorrupt body. Moving forward, we have a stunning view of the Gargano Peninsula as we pass the Grotto of St. Michael the Archangel. Saints, popes, and people from all over have come to this grotto looking for the protection and intercession of St. Michael. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

## **DAY 7: LANCIANO / LORETO / FERRY TO CROATIA**

After breakfast, we will travel to Lanciano and visit the Church of St. Longinus, home of the Eucharistic miracle. We will celebrate Mass before visiting the Holy House of Nazareth in Loreto. It is the house where Mary first prayed the Magnificat. We will see the beautiful Madonna of Loreto before departing on an overnight ferry from Ancona, Italy, to Split, Croatia. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be on board.

## **DAY 8: MEDJUGORJE**

Upon arrival, you will meet your professional tour guide and driver, who will escort you to the village of Medjugorje. Enjoy the scenery as you make your way to the village. Enjoy dinner before retiring for the evening. Overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

## **DAY 9: MEDJUGORJE**

While in Medjugorje, you will have the opportunity to experience your faith grow and share in the faith journey of other pilgrims from all over the world. We will attend Mass at St. James Church and climb Apparition Hill, where the visionaries first encountered Our Lady. Also, at the base of this hill is a Blue Cross, where Our Lady appeared to the children while they hid from the communist police in the early days of the apparitions. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

## **DAY 10: RETURN HOME**

We will transfer to the airport this morning to catch our return flight home.



BASILICA OF ST. JOHN  
**LATERAN**

## Included

- Round-trip airfare
- All airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- First-class hotels (price based on double occupancy)
- Land transportation as per itinerary
- Breakfast and dinner
- Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- Daily Masses
- Professional local guides
- Medical Protection Plan



**MONTE**  
CASSINO

## Not Included

- Trip cancellation insurance (strongly recommended). Nativity Pilgrimage offers a comprehensive policy through Trawick International at an additional cost.
- Passport & visa costs
- Gratuities to the tour manager, guides, and driver
- Personal items (hotel extras, laundry, phone calls, etc.)
- Meals not specified in the program.
- Items not specifically mentioned above.



SAN GIOVANNI  
**ROTONDO**

## Registration

- A non-refundable deposit of \$300.00 is due at registration.
- Names on the registration form and passport must match exactly, and passports must be current 6 months after the return date.
- The registration form must include a copy of your passport.
- We are not responsible for Visa procurement.
- Full payment is due 08/23/24 (100 days prior to departure)



**MEDJUGORJE**

# TERMS & CONDITIONS

## Your Package Includes

**Air Transportation:** Economy class and round-trip fares 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.

**Airport Fees:** Airport Taxes, portorage, fuel surcharges and security fees.

**Medical Protection Plan** is provided during the trip.

## Your Package Does Not Include

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

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

**Personal Items:** Laundry, other beverages (wines, liquors, mineral water, tea, coffee, etc.) and food that are not on the menus of your included meal package, and any additional luggage.

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

**Lunch:** You are responsible for lunch or any other meals not specified in your itinerary.

**Tips for your tour guide & driver:** The recommended amounts of tips per person are \$7.00 – \$9.00 per day for guides, \$5.00 – \$7.00 per day for drivers, \$1.00 – \$2.00 per day for hotels, and \$1.00 – \$2.00 per day for restaurants.

## General Travel Information

**Group Air:** Group air differs from individually purchased airline tickets in that it is subject to the terms and conditions of the airlines. For this reason, we need to receive your registration and full payment by the payment deadline. After that date, registrations may be subject to a different rate, ticketing method, or airline. Additional fees and charges may apply. Group air flights are confirmed 60 - 90 days prior to departure.

**Departure Cities:** If your departure city is not listed on the brochure, indicate which airport you would like to depart from on the registration form. We will provide you with the best possible price and flight schedule in order to connect with the group. Additional fees and charges may apply.

**Land-Only Option:** If you would like to book your own air travel, indicate on your registration form that you want the "Land Only" option. By booking your own air, you may select your seat, airline, and travel schedule, use airline miles/points, provide airline reward program information, and make any special requests directly with the airline. No changes can be made after the final payment deadline. Land-only services begin and end at the hotels unless you are able to meet the group at the airport. Land-only travelers are responsible for their own airport transfers.

## Important Nativity Pilgrimage Policies

The airline selects seat assignments for group air. We do not. Seat upgrades are available for registered travelers, by request. Quoted rates for an upgrade are subject to change until payment is received. Some upgrades are not available until the group tickets are issued.

**Seat Upgrades:** Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives an upgrade request, we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee the acceptance of this request, as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

**Seat Location Requests:** Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives a seat location request, we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee acceptance of this request, as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

**Other Special Requests:** Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives a special request, such as a wheelchair, food, etc., we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee acceptance of this request as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

## Booking Conditions

**Deposit:** A non-refundable deposit of \$300.00 per person is required at the time of booking. No reservation will be processed without a deposit.

**Payment Deadline:** Full payment is due 08/23/24 (100 days before departure). 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 online. There is an additional 3% fee for each credit card transaction. We also accept checks, money orders, Zelle payments, and ACH transactions.

## Late Payment Policy

Customers will receive late fees if they are not paid in full:

**100 days - 61 days** prior to departure.....\$150

**60 days - 30 days** prior to departure.....\$300

**30 days - day before departure**.....Subject to cancellation

Customers are also responsible for any difference in fare due to late payment (subject to availability). Refusal to pay will be considered a cancellation.

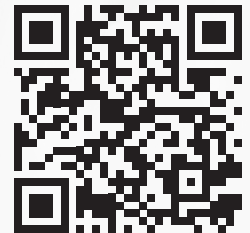
## Cancellation/Refund Policy

We hope that nothing will prevent you from taking your pilgrimage with Nativity Pilgrimage. However, should you need to cancel your trip, 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:

<u>Days Prior to Departure</u>	<u>Charge</u>
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.

## Protect Your Trip



Follow the link or scan the QR code to view our Travel Protection Plan details.

<https://nativity.trawickinternational.com>

## Responsibility

Nativity Pilgrimage, Inc. and their agents assume no liability or responsibility in regards to travel in any form for any injuries or loss of property, accidents, delays, changes in schedule or itinerary, incidental damages or any irregular circumstances. This would include, but not be limited to, default or omission by any third party providing services or facilities related to and/or included in the tour or any part thereof. The IATA carriers, steamship firms, and other transportation companies whose services are featured in these tours, are not to be held responsible or accountable for any act, omission, or event during the time the passengers are not on board their respective conveyance. The passage contract in use by these companies, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the companies, the purchaser of these tours and/or passengers, and Nativity Pilgrimage Inc. does not assume any liability or responsibility in connection therewith. They are not responsible for any losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, guarantees, or other causes. All such losses or expenses shall be borne by the passenger as tour rates provide for arrangements only for the time stated. The right is reserved to substitute hotels of similar quality to those specified in the itinerary. Nativity Pilgrimage reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. Refund details 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. Prices and itineraries are subject to change without notice if booking conditions are not complied with.