Pilgrimage to Italy with Father Dan Kirby St. John The Apostle Catholic Church

Siena & Assisi

Basilica of St. Francis & Orvieto & The Vatican

Mass at the Tomb of St. John Paul II & St. Paul Outside the Wall

The Colosseum & Rome & Papal Audience

Basilica of St. Peter & Sistine Chapel

September 19 - September 28, 2022





MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 - Depart from the U.S. on our connecting flights to Rome. Dinner and breakfast are served aboard.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 - We arrive in Rome this morning, clear customs and are met by our multilingual escort. Soon we depart towards the center of Rome to **Santa Croce in Gerusalemme**. Consecrated in 325 AD, previously this served as the Palace for St. Helena, Mother of Constantine. She visited Jerusalem to re-establish the Christian holy places in 326, and by tradition there found the relics of Christ's Passion including the True Cross. The latter she left in Jerusalem, where it was venerated for centuries, but splinters from it and other items she brought back to Rome and put on display at the palace. This was the motivation for the foundation of the church. **Here we celebrate our opening Holy Mass** of the Pilgrimage. We next reach the **Basilica of St. Clement**, built over the home of our fourth Pope and over some truly interesting ruins of ancient Rome. After a light lunch on our own, we check into our hotel and are free to explore the city on our own. This evening we reconvene for dinner at our Hotel.

B (Breakfast) D (Dinner) ROME



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 - After breakfast this morning, we will experience one of the highlights of our Roman stay, attendance at a Papal Audience with Pope Francis at the Vatican. Afternoon: We board our bus and travel to the outskirts of Rome along the Old Appian Way, past Domine Quo Vadis church, to the Catacombs of St. Sebastian. Calling to mind the fundamentals of our Faith, we are guided through these hallowed burial grounds of the early Christians. Soon, we arrive at St. Paul Outside the Walls to see this beautiful Basilica dedicated to the Apostle of the Gentiles. Here we celebrate our daily Mass in the Chapel of St. Benedict. Monks of the Order of St. Benedict have managed the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls for over 1,100 years. A statue of St. Benedict is in the intimate chapel to the right of the main apse. When you enter the main door of St. Paul Outside the Walls. After our tour and devotions to St Paul, we drive by motorcoach north to the scenic Hills of Umbria and shortly after noon arrive in ASSISI, sanctified by "Il Poverello," St. Francis of Assisi. Rest of the day can be spent at rest or on a leisurely exploration of this peace filled town.

B & D ASSISI



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 - We have an 8:00 AM Mass at the tomb of St. Francis in the Basilica. Afterwards we will be given a tour of the Basilica with its magnificent Frescoes by Giotto depicting the life of the saint. We continue to explore the holy places of Assisi, especially San Damiano where Our Lord on the Crucifix spoke the command to St. Francis to "Rebuild My Church." We will go to the plains below Assisi to visit St. Mary of the Angels, where inside we can see the Porziuncola, the little chapel where St. Francis gathered his followers. Returning to the town of Assisi, we visit St. Clare's Church where sacred relics of St. Francis and St. Clare are displayed. In the upper side chapel we can see and venerate the Crucifix that spoke to Francis. Entombed in this church is the incorrupt body of St. Clare.

B & D ASSISI

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - This morning we head northwest to SIENA, a delightful medieval town, but important because of the connection with St. Catherine, Doctor of the Church and reformer of the Papacy. We celebrate 11:00 AM Mass at the relics of St. Catherine in St. Dominick Church. St. Catherine spent a large part of her life inside the walls of this Basilica. It is here you will also view the incorrupt head of St. Catherine. Our walking tour takes us to the Piazza del Campo and to the Gothic Cathedral of dark and light marble. Afterwards, visit the Shrine of St. Catherine, which occupies the site of her family home. After the conclusion of our tour at the Piazza Del Campo, you will be given free time to spend at your own leisure. There are a number of restaurants surrounding the square to have lunch, as well as shops for gifts and souvenirs. After our visit to Sienna, we drive back to Assisi for dinner and overnight.

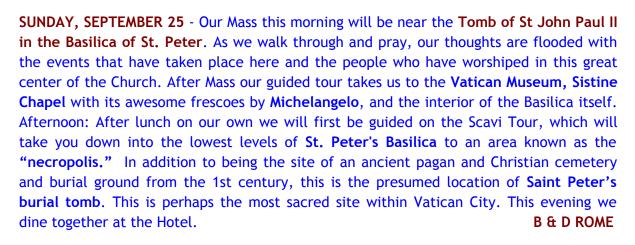
B & D Assisi



SEPTEMBER 24 - We motor to the west and reach the beautiful hill town of **Orvieto**. It is here that in 1263 **Pope Urban IV** proclaimed the authenticity of a **Eucharistic Miracle** that the Sacred Host had bled during a Mass celebrated in nearby **Bolsena**. We can still see the Corporal associated with the miracle enshrined within the **Cathedral of Orvieto**. From this event the Church instituted the Feast of Corpus Christi. The Cathedral's façade is adorned with a splendid and world famous mosaic. At 11:00 AM we will **celebrate the Eucharist in its Chapel of the Corporal**. We continue traveling south to Rome, the Eternal City, and arrive to check into our hotel. We have dinner together this evening.



B & D Rome





MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 - This morning after breakfast, we start our day with morning Mass at Maria Sopra Minerva. The current Church was established in 1255 and has served the Order of Preachers over the centuries. Also, after Mass we venerate the tomb of St. Catherine of Sienna; Doctor of the Church. Nearby, we have interior tours of the Roman Forum and the Colosseum as well as walking tour of Ancient Rome - the Arch of Constantine, Palatine Hill and the Circus Maximus. After a light lunch on our own, this afternoon we will go for a tour within the Catacombs of St. Callixtus. Our visit through these hallowed burial grounds of the early Christians calls to mind the fundamentals of our Faith, depicted in part on the very walls of these underground chambers. This evening we are free to enjoy dinner on our own.

B ROME



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 - We begin our day with Mass at 8:30 AM in the most illustrious church dedicated to **Our Lady, the Basilica of St. Mary Major**. After a visit in this beautiful Marian Basilica, our sightseeing takes us to the nearby Redemptorist church of

St. Alphonsus, where we can venerate the original icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help. Next we go to St. John Lateran, the Cathedral church of Rome, and see its richly adorned interior that inspires much devotion. Afternoon: We have the rest of the day to explore the city on our own. So much can be seen by walking in Rome: the Pantheon, the Trevi Fountain, the Spanish Steps, Castel Sant'Angelo, Piazza Navona, countless beautiful churches where tombs of the saints are found. ROME the Center of the Roman Empire and the Center of the Church! A special Farewell Dinner with lively music is planned for tonight.

B & D ROME

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 - We check out of our hotel and transfer to the Rome airport for our return flights to the U.S., arriving this same day in our home cities. Important Note: The features of this itinerary may be changed to improve the pilgrimage experience.



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