# 10 Day Pilgrimage to Northern Italy visiting Rome, Assisi, Florence, Padua & Venice

## Spiritual Director Rev. Terrance Walsh

May  $18^{th} - 27^{th}$ , 2020

### YOUR TOUR INCLUDES:

- Roundtrip Air from JFK or Newark
- Deluxe Motorcoach
- English Speaking Guide
- 4 Star First Class Hotels
- Sightseeing as per itinerary
- Breakfast & Dinner Daily (except in Florence where dinner is on your own)
- Daily Mass and Rosary

### Highlights:

- Papal Audience at St. Peter's Square (provided the Holy Father is in residence)
- Basilicas of Rome St. Peters', St. Mary Major and St. Paul Outside the Walls
- Panorama of Rome
- Basilicas of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Clare
- Basilica of Santa Maria degli Angeli where we see the Porziuncola (the little church St. Francis built).
- Basilica of San Damiano
- Florence Academy where we see Michelangelo's David
- Basilica of St. Anthony of Padua
- Tour of Venice
- Basilica of St. Mark
- Church of St. Geremenia and St. Lucia to view the body of St. Lucy

Pilgrimage Price Based on 40 people: \$ 3,699.00 per person Double or Triple Pilgrimage Price Based on 30 people: \$ 3,899.00 per person Double or Triple Pilgrimage Price Based on 25 people: \$ 3,999.00 per person Double or Triple Single Supplement \$ 750.00



#### **ITINERARY**

Mon, May 18th: New York/Rome Depart Newark or JFK Airport on your overnight flight to Rome. Dinner served in flight.

**Tue**, **May 19**<sup>th</sup>: **Rome** Upon arrival in *Rome* we are transferred to our hotel. Remainder of the day is free. After time to rest, perhaps, take a walk over to St. Peter's Square.

Wed, May 20<sup>th</sup>: Papal Audience and Tour of Rome This morning we go to *St. Peter's Square for the Papal Audience* (provided the Holy Father is in residence).



This afternoon we have a Tour of the Major Basilicas of Rome – *St. Peters', St Paul Outside the Walls and St. Mary Major.* We also see the Roman Forum, the Coliseum, the Monument to Victor Emmanuel, Piazza Navona and the Trevi Fountain where we "Toss Our Coins in the Fountain."

Thu, May 21st: Rome Free day to enjoy Rome on your own.



**Fri, May 22<sup>nd</sup>: Rome/Assisi** This morning we depart to *Assisi*. Upon arrival, we visit the *Basilica of Santa Maria degli Angeli* where we see the *Porziuncola* (the little church St. Francis built). After our visit we go to *Church of San Damiano*. In the summer of 1205, St. Francis, who had retired for a prayer in the small country oratory, heard the Crucifix (now at St. Clare's Basilica) talk to him ordering him to restore the church in decay. The Crucifix at the main altar is a copy of the one now at St. Clare's. In 1212 St. Clare and her companions established themselves in this place. Between1224-25, St. Francis wrote his Cantico delle Creature (Song of the Creatures) here.

Sat, May 23<sup>rd</sup>: Assisi Today we go to the upper city to visit the *Basilicas of St. Francis and St. Clare*, where we see the *Tombs of the two Saints*. After Mass we have free time to enjoy Assisi on our own.







**Sun**, **May 24**<sup>th</sup>: **Assisi/Florence** Morning departure to *Florence*. Upon arrival we tour the city's priceless treasures including the *Piazza del Duomo*, center of religious life in medieval Florence and Piazza delle Signora. We end our tour at the Academy where we see Michelangelo's David.

Mon, May 25<sup>th</sup>: Florence/Padua/Venice Morning departure to *Padua*. Upon arrival, we visit the *Basilica* of St. Anthony of Padua where we have Mass near the Tomb of St. Anthony. After Mass, we have free time to visit the Basilica and see the Fresco of the Eucharistic Miracle of Padua. After our visit, we continue to Venice.



Tue, May 26th: Venice This morning we are transferred to Venice Santa Lucia. Our first stop is the Church of St. Geremenia and St. Lucia to view the body of St. Lucy. After Mass we start our walking Tour

of Venice including St. Marks' Square where we view the Clock Tower with its famous Moors, next we visit St. Marks Basilica with its Byzantine and European architectural styles and dazzling mosaics. We stop to pray at the Tomb of St. Mark before continuing our walking tour of Venice.

Wed, May 27th: Venice/USA Morning departure to Venice Marco Polo Airport for your return flight to the USA

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