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A Spring Pilgrimage to Italy

In Celebration of the 800th Anniversary of the Death of St. Francis of Assisi
Join St. Francis of Assisi Parish & St. Clare Parish in Braintree, MA

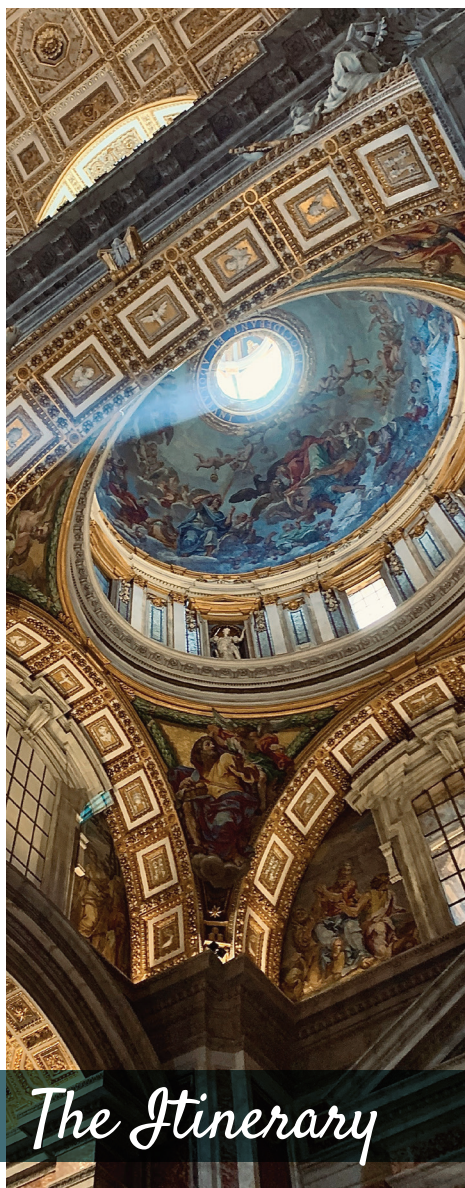
The itinerary features two nights in Assisi, two nights in San Giovanni Rotondo, one night in Pompeii, and four nights in Rome. Daily Mass – the cornerstone of each day – will be complemented by a rich Catholic touring program designed to bring the pilgrims face to face with the great saints, martyrs, Eucharistic Miracles and cultural heritage of Roman Catholicism. Highlights include St. Peter's Basilica, the Papal Basilicas, the Catacombs, the Vatican Museums, the Sanctuary of St. Michael, the Amalfi Coast, and many incredible saints, churches, basilicas and holy sites throughout Italy.

Roundtrip airfare and beautiful four-star hotels will be arranged. A ProRome tour manager will accompany the group throughout the course of the trip, and private bus transportation, Catholic tour guides, all tours and tickets, daily breakfast and either daily lunch or dinner are included in the price.

April 17-27, 2026

\$3640 per person, Land Only

For more information or to register, please visit www.prorometours.com/braintree or contact ProRome Tours directly at (434) 953 1112 or by email at office@prorome.com



The Itinerary

Every day of pilgrimage will include the celebration of Holy Mass, locations to be determined based on availability. Additionally, every day will include breakfast and either lunch or dinner. Thus pilgrims will be provided two meals daily.

Friday, April 17 Departure

Departure information from Boston Logan (BOS) TBD.

Saturday, April 18 Arrival In Italy | Orvieto | Assisi

Arrive in Rome and be met by the tour director. Board private motorcoach for Assisi. First stop is picturesque Orvieto, home to one of Europe's finest medieval churches, the Cathedral of Santa Maria Assunta (the Duomo). The Duomo houses the precious relic of the Eucharistic Miracle of Bolsena. In the 13th century a traveling priest doubted the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. When the priest spoke the words of consecration "This Is My Body," the Host spilled blood down the

priest's arms and onto the altar cloth. The priest was immediately converted and the altar cloth (corporal) that soaked up Jesus's blood was placed in Orvieto's Cathedral for adoration. The miracle is preserved there to this day. Mass in the Chapel of the Corporal.

Tour of the Duomo after Mass followed by free time for lunch. Continue to Assisi, check into the hotel and enjoy a group welcome dinner.

Holy Mass: The Duomo of Orvieto
Meals Included: Dinner

Sunday, April 19 Assisi: Saint Francis & Saint Clare

Breakfast, then depart for the Basilica of Saint Francis of Assisi for Mass. After Mass, a Franciscan friar will lead a tour of the Basilica, beginning in the crypt where Saint Francis is buried and culminating in the upper basilica. The basilica is a wellspring of medieval art, but the greatest achievement is found in the upper basilica: Giotto's renowned fresco cycle of scenes narrating the life of St. Francis. Free time for lunch after the tour.

The afternoon will further reveal Assisi's sacred character. At the Basilica of Saint Clare, Clare's incorrupt body is venerated. Here also hangs the San Damiano crucifix that spoke to Saint Francis, asking him to "Rebuild my Church which is falling into disrepair." The Chiesa Nuova is built over the childhood home of Saint Francis. The church of Santa Maria Maggiore is where Blessed Carlo Acutis is entombed. The Cathedral of San Rufino is where Saint Francis and Saint Clare were baptized. Free time to stroll through Assisi before meeting the group for dinner.

Holy Mass: Basilica of Saint Francis
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Monday, April 20 Assisi | San Giovanni Rotondo

Breakfast and hotel check out. The final stop in Assisi is the original home of the Franciscan Order and the place of St. Francis's death: the chapel of the Porziuncola, preserved within the Papal Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels. Mass and tour of the basilica. Bid farewell to Assisi and continue to San Giovanni Rotondo and the Sanctuary of Padre Pio, the greatest miracle worker since Saint Francis. The bus journey to San Giovanni Rotondo is nearly six hours and will include stops for lunch and for afternoon espresso or tea. Arrive in San Giovanni Rotondo, check into the hotel and enjoy a welcome dinner.

Holy Mass: Papal Basilica of Santa Maria degli Angeli
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Tuesday, April 21 Sanctuary of St. Michael | San Giovanni Rotondo

Breakfast followed by a visit to the friary where Saint Pio lived and worked so many miracles. The museum dedicated to Padre

Pio's life tells his story via lifelike wax figures. It also displays vestments, clothing and other relics of the beloved saint who truly was an Alter Christus. The tour concludes with prayers before the incorrupt body of Padre Pio.

Free time for lunch, then depart by bus for the nearby Sanctuary of St. Michael the Archangel, a medieval sanctuary built into the rocky summit of a mountain overlooking the Adriatic Sea. During the 5th century, when barbarian invasions repeatedly threatened the Italian peninsula, Saint Michael miraculously appeared to the local bishop, asking him to build a sanctuary at the site of a certain cave where a miracle had occurred. For over a thousand years it has been one of the most important pilgrimage sites in Europe and many saints and popes have made pilgrimages there as well. Return to San Giovanni Rotondo for dinner and overnight.

Holy Mass: Sanctuary of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Wednesday, April 22 Amalfi | Pompeii

Early breakfast before traveling to Italy's breathtakingly beautiful Amalfi Coast on the Tyrrhenian Sea. Mass in Amalfi at the Cathedral of St. Andrew. Free time for lunch and to explore this tiny jewel, once an important maritime power during the Middle Ages. Depart Amalfi for Pompeii, stopping at the Shrine of the Virgin of the Rosary of Pompeii, a place of great devotion and pilgrimage for over a century. It was built by Blessed Bartolo Longo, who returned to Catholicism from the practice of Satanism, which had taken hold in some sectors of Italy during the anti-Catholic political upheavals of the 19th century. Bartolo Longo's incredible conversion and subsequent promulgation of Our Lady's Holy Rosary make this one of the greatest Marian Shrines and a center of Catholic devotion in southern Italy. Check into the hotel for dinner and overnight.

Holy Mass: Cathedral of St. Andrew
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Thursday, April 23 Pompeii | Rome: St. Paul Outside The Walls

Depart Pompeii for Rome. The Rome portion of the pilgrimage begins at the Papal Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls, Rome's second largest basilica. Situated south of Rome's bustling historic center, St. Paul's is a peaceful refuge and perfect introduction to the Eternal City. St. Paul the Apostle is buried here and his relics venerated at the site of his tomb.

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Proceed into Rome, check into the hotel for dinner and overnight.

Holy Mass: TBD

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Friday, April 24

Rome: Saint Peter's Basilica | Vatican Museums

Early breakfast and departure for Saint Peter's Basilica. Mass at St. Peter's and a guided tour. Following the tour one can choose to climb to the top of Michelangelo's dome - nearly 450 feet above the streets below! The group will then enjoy a group lunch together followed by free time. .

In the afternoon we will depart for the Vatican Museums. The group will proceed through the most renowned collection of ancient, medieval and Renaissance art found anywhere in the world, concluding in the Sistine Chapel. The group will then be given the rest of afternoon and evening in Rome to enjoy at leisure.

Holy Mass: St. Peter's Basilica

Meals Included: Breakfast and Lunch

Saturday, April 25

Rome: Basilicas | Centro Storico & Counter Reformation

After breakfast the first destination is the marvelous 5th century Basilica of Saint Mary Major for Mass and then a tour. Even more ancient is the next basilica, the Cathedral of Rome, the "Lateran" Basilica, built by Constantine in the 4th century. The Lateran is known as "Mater et Caput" - the mother and head of all the churches of the world, because

it was the seat of the Bishop of Rome upon Constantine's legalization of Christianity, and remains so today. After touring the basilica everyone has the opportunity to climb the Holy Stairs - the very stairs that Christ ascended when He was brought before Pilate at his Praetorium in Jerusalem. The stairs are climbed on one's knees out of respect for our Lord and His Passion. A short distance away is the Basilica of Holy Cross in Jerusalem, where more relics from Christ's Crucifixion are housed: a large relic of the True Cross, nails from the Crucifixion and two thorns from the Crown of Thorns.

After a leisurely independent lunch, attention is turned to the Catholic Counter-Reformation and the work of great saints, new religious orders and even revolutionary art and architecture that played a part in this fervor of this movement. Walking through Rome's historic center reveals some of the city's most favored and photographed places, such as the Piazza Navona and the Pantheon, as well as the sites which display masterpieces by Bernini and Caravaggio. Return to the hotel for dinner and much needed rest.

Holy Mass: Papal Basilica of Saint Mary Major

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

Rome: Angelus In St. Peter's Square | The Catacombs

Breakfast and then depart for Sunday Mass. The group will then enjoy some free time to pray, rest or shop. At noon we will have the incredible opportunity to join Pope Leo XIV in

praying the Angelus from St. Peter's Square! We will then break for free time and independent lunch.

Following lunch, we will make our way "outside the walls" to the Catacombs of St. Sebastian, where we will venerate this great saint and martyr, together with the many other witnesses of the Faith buried here. We will receive a guided tour of the catacombs before returning to our hotel to enjoy a farewell dinner at our hotel.

Holy Mass: TBD

Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

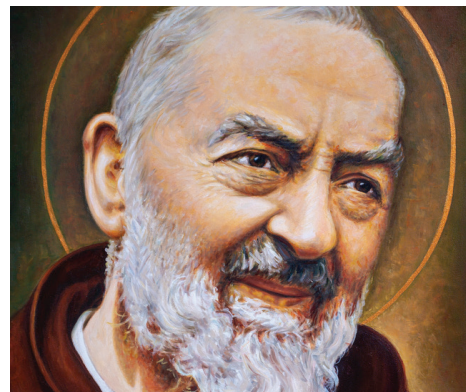
Monday, April 27

Departure

Breakfast and depart for Rome FCO airport for return flights home. Buon viaggio!

Holy Mass: TBD

Meals Included: Breakfast





More Details

► Final Cost

\$3640 per person, LAND ONLY

► Payment Schedule

\$200 - ProRome Registration Fee - Due upon Registration

50% First Installment - Due October 16, 2025

50% Second Installment - Due December 16, 2025

TBD Single Occupancy Surcharge (If Applicable) - Due December 16, 2025

► Price Inclusions

- 9 nights lodging in double occupancy room
 - Two nights lodging at the four-star Hotel Giotto (or similar) in Assisi
 - Two nights lodging at the four-star Hotel Gran Paradiso (or similar) in San Giovanni Rotondo
 - One night lodging at the four-star Habita79 MGallery Pompeii Hotel (or similar) in Pompeii
 - Four nights lodging at the four-star Starhotels Michelangelo (or similar) in Rome
- ProRome Tour Manager throughout the course of the trip
- Professional English-speaking guides for all visits according to the above itinerary
- Tours and all entry-tickets
- Daily buffet breakfast (without choice of menus)
- Daily lunch or dinner
- Water and house wine at meals
- Deluxe a/c coach when required (note that we will still walk 3-5 miles per day)
- Audio guiding system throughout the course of the trip

► Price Exclusions

- Any personal expenses
- One daily meal
- Beverages other than water and house wine at included meals
- Trip Insurance (available for purchase through ProRome)
- Gratuities for Tour Manager and Bus Driver (suggested \$20-40 EUR pp)



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