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A Spring Pilgrimage to Italy

Join Students of St. John Paul II Academy in Omaha, NE

This Catholic journey features five nights in Rome and three nights in Assisi, with day-trips to Orvieto and Siena included. Daily Mass – the cornerstone of each day – will be complemented by a touring program to immerse pilgrims in the incredible history, heritage and relics of our Catholic Faith. Highlights include St. Peter's Basilica, the Papal Basilicas, the Catacombs, the Colosseum, the Pantheon, the Basilicas of Saint Francis and Saint Clare in Assisi, and many other incredible saints, churches, basilicas and holy sites.

Centrally-located three star hotels/religious guest houses 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.

March 5 - 14, 2026

\$2660 per person, Land Only

For more information or to register, please visit www.prorometours.com/jp2academy 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. The churches mentioned here are subject to availability at the time of booking, and if one cannot accommodate a Mass reservation, it will be replaced with another church. Additionally, every day will include breakfast and either lunch or dinner. Thus pilgrims will be provided two meals daily.

Thursday, March 5 Departure

Departure information TBD.

Friday, March 6 Arrival | St. Paul Outside The Walls | Colosseum

Upon arrival in Rome we will be met by our tour director and private bus and depart immediately for the Papal Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls, the burial place of

Saint Paul and the second-largest Catholic church in the world. Located just south of the historical center on the banks of the Tiber river, Saint Paul's is a peaceful refuge and the perfect place to begin our pilgrimage. Upon arrival we will enjoy a guided tour of the Basilica followed by a private Mass in one of the Basilica's chapels.

Following our time at Saint Paul's we will depart for the Colosseum for a guided tour. This incredible amphitheater once hosted gladiator games, mock sea battles, and public executions. Christians undoubtedly would have been martyred here, and the Colosseum is therefore a sacred place, a reminder for us that the blood of the martyrs is indeed the seed of the Faith. We will then conclude our day with a group dinner and an overnight stay at our religious guest house.

Holy Mass: St. Paul Outside the Walls
Meals Included: Dinner
Overnight: Casa per Ferie Santa Maria alle Fornaci in Rome (or similar)

Saturday, March 7 Saint Mary Major | The Catacombs | The Lateran | Holy Cross in Jerusalem

Today we will visit the Basilica of Saint Mary Major where we will have Holy Mass in the Sistine Chapel (not to be confused with the Sistine Chapel in the Vatican). On our tour of Saint Mary Major we will be able to venerate many sacred relics, such as the Manger in which Christ was born, the Madonna Salus Populi Romani (Rome's most important Marian image) and the tomb of Pope Saint Pius V. Following our tour 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.

After free time for lunch we're off to the Cathedral of Rome, "the Lateran." Built by Constantine in the 4th century, this church is known as the "Mater et Caput" - the mother and head of all the churches in the entire world, as it officially became the seat of the bishop of Rome upon the legalization of Christianity under the emperor Constantine the Great. Following the tour everyone will have the opportunity to climb the Holy Stairs - the very stairs that Christ once walked in the Praetorium of Pontius Pilate. The stairs must be climbed on one's knees out of respect for our Lord and the suffering he endured. We will then walk down the street to venerate the most Holy Relics of Christ's Passion, including a large relic of the True Cross, kept in the Basilica of Holy Cross in Jerusalem. We'll then return to our hotel in

order to enjoy a group dinner together and then retire for the evening.

Holy Mass: Basilica of Saint Mary Major
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner
Overnight: Casa per Ferie Santa Maria alle Fornaci in Rome (or similar)

Sunday, March 8 Angelus With The Holy Father | Vatican Museums | Sistine Chapel

Today we will begin our day with Holy Mass. Afterwards we will have the opportunity to walk to St. Peter's Square and pray the Angelus, led by the Holy Father from the window of his study overlooking the square. Pope Francis will also give a brief reflection on the Sunday Gospel along with bestowing his Papal blessing on all those present, along with any religious articles that the pilgrims have brought to be blessed. After the Angelus, we will break for lunch.

After lunch we will enjoy a tour through the rich and magnificent Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel. Here we will see everything from the Creation of Adam by Michelangelo to Raphael's School of Athens among other wonders. At the conclusion of our tour we will have the rest of the afternoon free and at leisure to enjoy as we wish. This would be an excellent time to explore, rest, pray or visit a gelateria! In the evening everyone will rendezvous for a delicious group dinner before retiring for the evening.

Holy Mass: TBD
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner
Overnight: Casa per Ferie Santa Maria alle Fornaci in Rome (or similar)

Monday, March 9 St. Peter's Basilica | Scavi Tour

Following an early breakfast we depart for Saint Peter's Basilica for Mass followed by a guided tour of the basilica. Following the tour all will have the option to climb to the top of Saint Peter's Basilica for perhaps the singularly most incredible view looking out over Rome!

After lunch we will return to St. Peter's Basilica where we will embark on the Scavi Tour, a unique subterranean tour that takes the visitor right to the tomb of St. Peter himself. We will then enjoy a free afternoon before returning to our hotel for a group dinner together.

Holy Mass: St. Peter's Basilica
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner
Overnight: Casa per Ferie Santa Maria alle Fornaci in Rome (or similar)

Tuesday, March 10 The Centro Storico & Counter-reformation

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Today we'll learn all about the Catholic Counter-Reformation, highlighting the saints, religious orders, art and architecture that all played a part in this great movement. This tour will take us through the "Centro Storico", the historic center of Rome. Our morning begins with a visit to the Chiesa Nuova, where we will have Holy Mass at St. Phillip Neri's tomb. From there we're off on a walking tour through some of Eternal City's most iconic spaces and sacred churches, such as the Piazza Navona and the Pantheon, the churches of Sant'Agnese, San Luigi dei Francesi and Sant'Agostino and the Trevi Fountain and Spanish Steps. We'll then enjoy a much deserved dinner together before returning to our hotel.

Holy Mass: Chiesa Nuova
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner
Overnight: Casa per Ferie Santa Maria alle Fornaci in Rome (or similar)

Wednesday, March 11 **Orvieto | Assisi**

Today we will depart on a private motor-coach for Assisi. On the way there we will stop in the beautiful city of Orvieto, home to one of Italy's finest Gothic cathedrals, the Duomo of Orvieto, which serves as a solemn reliquary for the Eucharistic Miracle of Bolsena, the first Church-approved Eucharistic miracle and the impetus behind the institution of the Feast of Corpus Christi! Here we will have Holy Mass and a private tour.

After enjoying free time for lunch in Orvieto we're back on the bus and headed to Assisi. Prior to reaching the medieval city center of Assisi we will visit the original home of the Franciscan order, and the place of St. Francis's death at the Porziuncola chapel inside the great baroque Basilica of St. Mary of the

Angels. We will then proceed to Assisi and check-in at our beautiful religious guest-house. We'll then enjoy a group dinner together in Assisi.

Holy Mass: Duomo (Cathedral) of Orvieto
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner
Overnight: Monastero Sant'Andrea (or similar)

Thursday, March 12 **Assisi: Basilicas Of Sts. Francis & Clare**

Today we enter into the life and legacy of Saint Francis and Saint Clare! We will start our day with Holy Mass at the Basilica of St. Francis followed by a private tour of the basilica. We will then enjoy a guided walking tour of Assisi, which includes visits to the Basilica of Saint Clare, the Cathedral of San Rufino, the Chiesa Nuova, and so many other sacred churches and burial sites. We will walk in the footsteps of Francis and Clare and have the opportunity to pray at their tombs.

Along the way we will have lunch together as a group, and then proceed to the Church of Saint Mary Major, the resting place of Blessed Carlo Acutis, for a Holy Hour together. Everyone will then be given a free evening to explore, shop, pray and enjoy a local dinner on your own.

Holy Mass: Basilica of Saint Francis
Meals Included: Breakfast and Lunch
Overnight: Monastero Sant'Andrea (or similar)

Friday, March 13 **Siena**

Following breakfast we will depart by bus for the city of Siena. Once we arrive we will

enjoy a walking tour through Siena, found in the heart of the Chianti region of Tuscany. Here we will explore the life and legacy of Saint Catherine of Siena, the great mystic and Doctor of the Church. Saint Catherine helped to restore the faith of the people of Europe following the 14th century Black Death, through her incredible preaching, miracle work and mission to bring the Pope back to Rome. Our morning tour in Siena features the Basilica of San Domenico (where we will have Holy Mass), the Sanctuary House of Saint Catherine and the Basilica of San Francesco, which is home to another Eucharistic miracle.

Following our morning tour, the group will enjoy free time for lunch in the Piazza del Campo, Italy's most celebrated medieval square known for the famous "Palio", a horse race in which ten of Siena's neighborhoods send a jockey and a horse to compete in a bareback race three times around the square. We'll then rendezvous for an afternoon tour through the Duomo of Siena, one of Europe's greatest Cathedrals which is full of incredible works of sacred art. We'll then return to our hotel in Assisi for a farewell dinner and overnight.

Holy Mass: Basilica di San Domenico (Siena)
Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner
Overnight: Monastero Sant'Andrea (or similar)

Saturday, March 14 **Departure**

Following breakfast we'll depart for Rome FCO airport for our return flights home. Buon viaggio!

Holy Mass: TBD
Meals Included: Breakfast



More Details

► Final Cost

\$2660 per person, LAND ONLY

► Payment Schedule

\$300- ProRome Registration Fee - Due Upon Registration

\$787- Due August 15, 2025

\$787 - Due November 15, 2025

\$786 - Due January 15, 2025

► Price Inclusions

- Eight nights lodging in double occupancy room
 - Five nights lodging at the three-star Casa per Ferie Santa Maria alle Fornaci in Rome (or similar)
 - Three nights lodging at the three-star Monastero Sant'Andrea (or similar)
- 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 three-course lunch or dinner (as per itinerary)
- Water at meals
- Deluxe a/c coach when required (note that we will still walk 5-8 miles per day)
 - Only required on the following days: March 6, 11, 13 and 14
- Audio guiding system throughout the course of the trip
- Gratuities for both the Tour Manager and Bus Driver

► Price Exclusions

- Airfare
- Any personal expenses
- One daily meal - lunch or dinner - as per itinerary
- Beverages other than water at included meals
- Trip Insurance (available for purchase through ProRome)



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