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## A Fall Pilgrimage to Italy

*Join St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church of Vancouver, WA*

*November 3–13, 2026*

This pilgrimage will immerse you in the vast cultural and Catholic heritage of Italy. The itinerary features two nights in Assisi and seven nights in Rome, with a day-trip to Orvieto included. Daily Mass—the cornerstone of each day—will be complemented by a rich touring program designed to bring 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, and many other incredible churches 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.

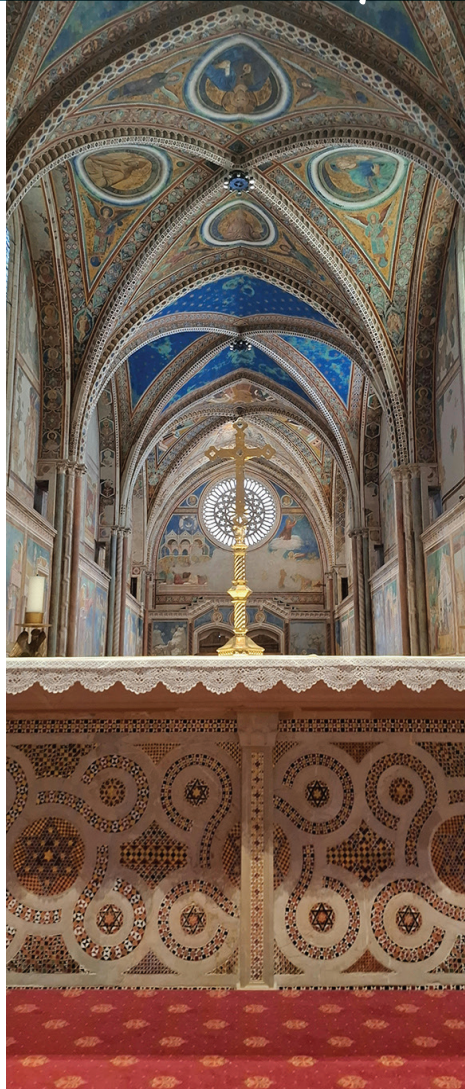
**\$4972 per person (\$3490 land, \$1482 air)**

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# 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, with the exception of the arrival and departure day. Please note that Mass, meal and tour bookings listed in this itinerary are subject to change. Although these items listed will be included in the tour, the order in which they occur is subject to change.*

## **Tuesday, November 3** **Departure**

Our pilgrimage begins with an early morning departure from Portland International Airport. We board Delta Flight 451, departing at 7:00 AM and arriving at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport at 3:26 PM. After

a brief layover, we continue on Delta Flight 182, departing JFK at 4:50 PM for our overnight transatlantic crossing to Rome.

## **Wednesday, November 4** **Arrival in Assisi**

We arrive at Rome's Fiumicino Airport at 7:05 AM, where our ProRome Tour Manager will be waiting to welcome us to Italy. We board our private coach and travel north to Assisi, stopping first at the great Baroque Basilica of Saint Mary of the Angels, the original home of the Franciscan Order and site of the Porziuncola chapel where St. Francis died. We then visit the Church of Saint Mary Major, where we will have the opportunity to pray at the final resting place of Blessed Carlo Acutis. Upon arrival in Assisi, we check into our four-star hotel for a well-deserved rest.

## **Thursday, November 5** **Assisi: The Basilicas of Saints Francis and Clare**

Today we enter into the life and legacy of Saint Francis and Saint Clare. Our guided tour of the Basilica of Saint Francis begins in the crypt where the saint is buried and culminates in the Upper Basilica, where Giotto's magnificent frescoes vividly depict the life of Saint Francis. We then visit the Basilica of Saint Clare to venerate her tomb and the San Damiano crucifix that spoke to Saint Francis more than 800 years ago, asking him to "repair the Church which is falling into disrepair." Our day continues with visits to the Cathedral of San Rufino, where both Saint Francis and Saint Clare were baptized, and Chiesa Nuova, built over the childhood home of Saint Francis.

## **Friday, November 6** **Day Trip to Orvieto**

We depart Assisi and travel to Orvieto, home to one of Italy's finest Gothic cathedrals. Inside the stunning Duomo we will venerate the relic of the Eucharistic Miracle of Bolsena—the bloodstained corporal from the 13th century, when a doubting priest witnessed the Host spill blood during the consecration. This was the first Church-approved Eucharistic miracle and the impetus behind the institution of the Feast of Corpus

Christi. After our visit, we continue to Rome and check into our four-star hotel, which will be our home for the next seven nights.

## **Saturday, November 7** **St. Peter's Basilica and the Scavi**

We begin at St. Peter's Basilica with a guided tour of the greatest church in the world, built over the tomb of St. Peter himself. Following our tour, pilgrims will have the option to climb to the top of Michelangelo's Dome for one of the most incredible views in all of Rome. Later, we descend beneath the Basilica for the Scavi Tour, a unique subterranean experience that takes us directly to the tomb of St. Peter. (Note: This tour is pending ticket availability and may be moved to a different day.)

## **Sunday, November 8** **The Papal Basilicas**

Today we visit Rome's great Papal Basilicas and sacred sites. At the Basilica of Saint Mary Major, we venerate relics including the Manger in which Christ was born, the Madonna Salus Populi Romani, and the tomb of Pope Saint Pius V. We continue to the Catacombs of St. Sebastian, where we honor this great martyr and the many witnesses of the Faith buried here. At the Lateran Basilica—the "mother and head" of all churches in the world and seat of the Bishop of Rome since the 4th century—we will also ascend the Holy Stairs, the very steps Christ walked in the Praetorium of Pontius Pilate, traditionally climbed on one's knees. Our day concludes at the Basilica of the Holy Cross in Jerusalem, where we venerate the most holy relics of Christ's Passion, including a large relic of the True Cross.

## **Monday, November 9** **Saint Paul Outside the Walls**

We visit the Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls, the burial place of Saint Paul and the second-largest church in the world. Our guided tour explores this incredible monument to early Christianity. The remainder of the day is free for rest or personal exploration.

## **Tuesday, November 10** **The Centro Storico and the Counter-Reformation**



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Today we explore the Centro Storico, Rome's historic center, while learning about the Catholic Counter-Reformation and the saints, religious orders, art, and architecture of this great movement. Our walking tour takes us through Rome's most beloved piazzas and churches, including the Church of Sant'Agnese, Piazza Navona with its famed Bernini fountains, the Church of San Luigi dei Francesi, and Sant'Agostino—where we encounter Caravaggio's striking artwork. After lunch, we visit the Pantheon, the only fully intact building from Roman antiquity and now a Catholic church, before strolling through additional piazzas and churches of the eternal city.

## **Wednesday, November 11** **Papal Audience and the Vatican Museums**

This morning we participate in the Papal Audience in St. Peter's Square—be sure to bring religious articles for the Pope's blessing at the conclusion of the Audience. In the afternoon, we tour the magnificent Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel,

experiencing Michelangelo's Creation of Adam, Raphael's School of Athens, and countless other masterpieces. This evening we gather for a farewell dinner, reflecting on our pilgrimage together.

## **Thursday, November 12** **Ancient Rome and Trastevere**

We explore the ancient city of Rome, walking through the Roman Forum, past the Colosseum, and into the remarkable Basilica of San Clemente with its three levels spanning two thousand years of history. In the afternoon, we cross the Tiber to Trastevere, Rome's most beloved neighborhood, known for its saints, medieval architecture, and bustling streets. Here we visit Santa Maria della Scala, where we venerate the hand of Saint Teresa of Avila, the Basilica of Santa Cecilia, and other treasures of this historic quarter.

## **Friday, November 13** **Departure**

After breakfast, we transfer to Rome's Fiumicino Airport for our journey home. We depart on Delta Flight 231 at

12:00 PM, arriving at New York's JFK Airport at 3:55 PM. After clearing customs, we connect to Delta Flight 684, departing at 6:10 PM and arriving in Portland at 9:27 PM, carrying with us the graces and memories of our pilgrimage.







## More Details

### ► Final Cost \$4972 per person

### ► Payment Schedule

- \$300 ProRome Registration Fee — Due upon Registration
- 50% First Installment — Due May 3, 2026
- 50% Second Installment — Due June 3, 2026
- Airfare - Due July 3, 2026
- \$1190 Single Occupancy Surcharge (If Applicable) - Due August 3, 2026

### ► Price Inclusions

- 9 nights lodging in double occupancy room (2 nights at a four-star hotel in Assisi; 7 nights at a four-star hotel 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
- Deluxe a/c coach throughout (note that we will still walk up to 8 miles per day)
- Daily buffet breakfast (without choice of menus)
- Daily lunch or dinner, to be determined which meal (without choice of menus)
- Audio guiding system throughout the course of the trip
- All local, city and state taxes

### ► Price Exclusions

- Any personal expenses
- One daily meal (either lunch or dinner, TBD)
- Beverages at included lunches and dinners
- Trip Insurance (available for purchase through ProRome)
- Gratuities for Tour Manager and Driver (suggested 2-5 euro per person per day for each)



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