



In the Footsteps of St. Ignatius & St. Francis ~ A Spiritual Journey to Italy ~

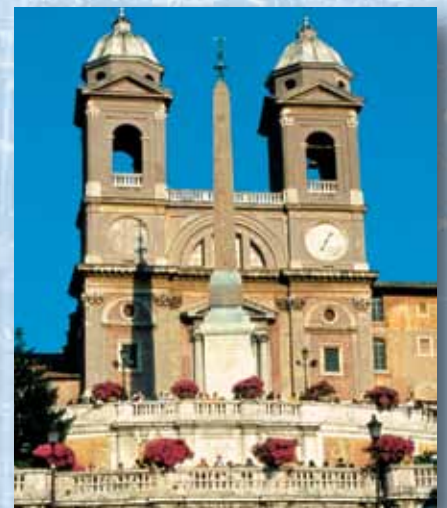
With Rev. Stephen J. Corder, S.J.,
Rev. Matt Carnes, S.J. & Rev. Russell Roide, S.J.

13 Days: May 20 to June 1, 2012

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AN INVITATION TO JOIN US

Dear fellow pilgrims,

Fr. Russ Roide, Fr. Matt Carnes, and I welcome you to a wonderful pilgrimage and spiritual journey in the footsteps of St. Ignatius Loyola and St. Francis of Assisi. We go with you as fellow pilgrims to the beautiful sites of Rome, Assisi, Florence and Siena. We will reflect together on the lives and spirituality of these two great saints, St. Ignatius and St. Francis, while visiting the sites where they once lived and walked. St. Clare of Assisi and St. Catherine of Siena will also inspire us on our pilgrim journey.

This is my fourth pilgrimage with Catholic Travel Centre and they have offered the best experience for prayer, hospitality and organization consistently. Fr. Russ will join us in Florence where he is the new Chaplain for the Study Abroad Campus of Gonzaga University. Fr. Matt is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Government at Georgetown University. We are all experienced travelers and spiritual guides who will ensure that our pilgrimage together is truly an enjoyable one and a spiritual journey.

Blessings on you as you prepare for this experience of a lifetime.

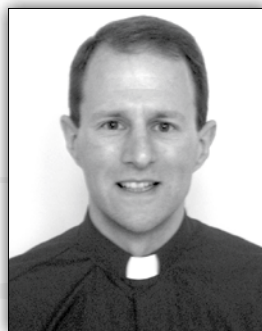
Sincerely,

Fr. Stephen J. Corder, S.J.

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OUR DAILY ITINERARY

SUN, MAY 20, DAY 1: DEPART USA: We depart Los Angeles (or Honolulu) en route to Rome with complimentary meals and beverages served aloft.

MON, MAY 21, DAY 2: ARRIVE ROME: We change planes in Germany and continue on our flight to Rome. We arrive in Rome and are greeted by our Catholic Travel Centre representative, who will accompany us throughout our Journey. Boarding our waiting motor coach, we transfer to our accommodations near the Rome airport to rest from our flight. Dinner is served at our hotel this evening. (D)

TUE, MAY 22, DAY 3: ROME / SIENA / FLORENCE: We board our motor coach and head north from Rome toward the region of Tuscany to the medieval walled city of Siena, home of St. Catherine of Siena, one of the few women granted the title of 'Doctor' in the Roman Catholic Church. Along with St. Francis, she serves as a co-patron saint of Italy.

We begin our visit at the Cathedral or Duomo, built between 1215 and 1263. Next, we visit the Basilica and the sanctuary that was built over the former home of St. Catherine. We also visit the austere church of San Domenico which contains the only authentic portrait of St. Catherine and where several of her miracles occurred.

We enjoy some free time for lunch on our own in the Piazza del Campo, site of the barebacked horse race that takes place in Siena twice a year. We continue to our hotel in Florence for check-in, and dinner tonight is served at a local restaurant. (B, D)

During our time in Florence, we are pleased to be joined by Fr. Russ Roide, SJ, who is presently serving as Chaplain to the Gonzaga University community here. Fr. Russ will join us for our time in Florence.

WED, MAY 23, DAY 4: FLORENCE: ACADEMY, DUOMO, SANTA CROCE: This morning begins at the Academy of Fine Arts where we marvel at Michelangelo's brilliant sculpture of David. In the same neighborhood and we have some time to view, from the outside, the house of Dante, the creator of the modern Italian written language.

After lunch on our own we make way to the Basilica of Santa Croce, housing the tombs of some of Florence most notable figures. We complete our day at the magnificent building that dominates the Florentine skyline with its majestic dome – The Cathedral (Duomo) and the nearby Baptistery of San Giovanni with its famous bronze doors. We return to our hotel, and dinner tonight is served at our hotel. (B, D)

THU, MAY 24, DAY 5: FLORENCE: LEISURE / OPTIONAL EXCURSION TO VENICE OR MILAN: After breakfast, today is at leisure to explore on our own. Some of us may wish to stay in Florence to visit some of the city's great treasures of art housed in the Uffizi Gallery, the Pitti Palace, San Marco's Monastery with Fra Angelico's frescoes, or even perhaps the Bargello Museum with its unrivaled collection of sculpture. Some may wish simply to stroll around and to shop along the Ponte Vecchio – The Old Bridge lined with Florence's finest jewelry shops. Others may wish to wander through the local San Lorenzo Market, with all its leather wares for sale. Others still might use this day to arrange for an excursion to visit Venice or Milan – both easily accessible from Florence by train. This evening dinner is on our own to explore the local restaurants. (B)

FRI, MAY 25, DAY 6 : FLORENCE / ASSISI / CONTINUE TO ROME: We depart Florence for the tiny Umbrian town of Assisi, home of St. Francis and St. Clare. Here we enjoy a guided visit of the town, including the Basilica of St. Francis, where we pray at the tomb of Francis. We then visit the Church of St. Clare, where St. Clare lies in repose. Here we see the original 'San Damiano' crucifix that spoke to Francis, urging him to "rebuild My Church."

After lunch on our own, we visit the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels. The Basilica contains the Porziuncola Chapel, constructed in part by St. Francis. Nearby marks the site where Francis surrendered to 'Sister Death.' We continue to our hotel in Rome for dinner and the evening. (B, D)

SAT, MAY 26, DAY 7: ROME: VATICAN DAY: ST. PETER'S & SCAVI TOUR: Today we visit the Basilica of St. Peter, where we celebrate Mass. We then tour the Basilica with our local guide. Among many treasures, we see the Pieta, Michelangelo's famous statue of Mary holding her crucified Son and we also visit the tomb of recently beatified Pope John Paul II.

Next, we have the rare privilege of a guided tour of the underground excavations, the Scavi, beneath the Basilica. (These tickets are always subject to final confirmation 24 hours before the proposed visit). After our Scavi tour we have free time to visit some of the excellent religious article shops in the area. You may wish to arrange to take the elevator up to the dome of St. Peter's, affording a grand panoramic view of the city.

We make our way back to our lodging, and dinner is served this evening at our hotel. (B, D)

SUN, MAY 27, DAY 8: ROME: ST. PAUL'S BASILICA PLUS LA STORTA: This morning we visit La Storta Chapel – marking the site outside the city where Ignatius Loyola, stopped to pray and where he received his mystical vision with Christ and the Father.

We board our motor coach for a visit to the Basilica of St. Paul's Outside the Walls, housing the Tomb of St. Paul, affectionately known as the Apostle of the Gentiles. Here we celebrate Mass. From here we make our way to the Abbey of Tre Fontane, the traditional site of St. Paul's execution. After lunch on our own, we return to Rome for the balance of the day at leisure. Dinner tonight is on our own. (B)

MON, MAY 28, DAY 9: ROME: SITES OF ST. IGNATIUS, GESU, SAN IGNAZIO: Today we devote part of our day to sites in Rome related to St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus, also known as the Jesuits. We begin with the site associated with Ignatius' last years, and exhibit known as 'The Rooms of Ignatius.' The rooms represent the fifth and final residence of Ignatius in Rome. From his residence in the top floor of the building, Ignatius governed the worldwide Order and penned his more than 7,000 letters. Here we request to celebrate Mass in this area.

Next door we visit the Gesù (known also as The Church of the Holy Land of Jesus), the Mother Church of the Society of Jesus. Here we view the tomb of Ignatius. Continuing our tour of Ignatian sites, several blocks away we come to the Church of San Ignazio, where two well known Jesuits are entombed: St. Aloysius Gonzaga, St. Robert Bellarmine, and St. John Berchmans.

OPTIONAL TOUR OF ANCIENT ROME

The balance of the afternoon is at leisure. For those interested, our guide will make available to us an optional tour of the sites of Ancient Rome – including the Roman Forum and Coliseum, for an additional cost.

Dinner tonight is served at our hotel. (B, D)

TUE, MAY 29, DAY 10: ROME: LEISURE / OPTIONAL TOUR TO POMPEII: Today we enjoy a day at leisure in Rome for shopping, revisiting favorite sites or strolling through the streets of Rome to experience its unique flavor or you may wish to join an optional tour to Pompeii & Naples. Dinner is on our own this evening. (B)

OPTIONAL TOUR: NAPLES AND POMPEII - FULL DAY

Along the highway you will be able to see the Abbey of Montecassino, noted for its famous battle during World War II.

In Naples we will enjoy a spectacular view over the Gulf of Naples and the volcano Vesuvio. We see as well the Piazza del Plebiscito, the Royal Palace, and the Basilica of San Francesco Di Paola, the San Carlo Opera House, the Gallery of Umberto I and the imposing Maschio Angioino

We depart Naples for Pompeii where we enjoy lunch. After lunch we visit the excavations with a local guide. Pompeii was covered by ashes during the eruption of Vesuvius in the year 79 AD. We return to Rome for the evening. Cost: \$TBA. Lunch included.

Note: *This optional tour is operated by a local tour company in Rome, and is not operated exclusively by Catholic Travel Centre. You may register for this tour on-the-spot in Rome, by speaking with your group's escort. Reservations should be made with your escort upon your group's arrival in Rome.*

WED, MAY 30, DAY 11: ROME: PAPAL AUDIENCE, WALKING TOUR OF HISTORIC ROME: This morning, after an early Mass at a local church, we transfer to Vatican City for the General Audience with His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI (subject to the Holy Father's schedule).

Lunch is on our own. After some free time, we enjoy a walking tour of historic Rome, starting at the Trevi Fountain, where we toss our traditional three coins. From here we continue to the Piazza Trinita dei Monti at the top of the Spanish Steps, Our tour continues to the Pantheon, and the Church of Santa Maria Sopra Minerva. We finish our day at the Piazza Navona. Dinner is at our hotel. (B, D)

THU, MAY 31, DAY 12: ROME: VATICAN MUSEUMS, FAREWELL DINNER: After breakfast, we return to the Vatican for a visit of the Vatican Museums, whose treasures include the famous Laocoon statue. Purchased by Pope Julius II some 500 years ago, the museums can trace their origins to this one sculpture.

The restoration of the Sistine frescoes reveals startling bright colors—a new light on Michelangelo! The Sistine was commissioned by Pope Sixtus IV to mark the Holy Year 1475. On the Feast of All Saints, 1512, Pope Julius II inaugurated the Sistine Chapel with a solemn Mass.

The balance of the day is at leisure to visit a favorite site or perhaps for some last minute shopping. Tonight we gather for a special Farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

FRI, JUNE 1, DAY 13: RETURN USA: This morning we transfer to the Rome airport for our return flight to the USA.

Note: While no changes are anticipated, there may be unforeseen occasions when certain alterations become necessary to this itinerary, either due to changes in airline schedules or for other reasons. All Masses are subject to local church schedules and substitution with alternate Mass sites if churches mentioned are not available.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

To make your reservation, simply complete the enclosed registration form and submit along with \$400 payment (mailed to the address shown on the bottom of the registration form). You will receive General Information (including *How to Obtain a Passport*), an invoice, and further information from Catholic Travel Centre via mail, usually within two weeks of our receipt of your deposit. *Please submit your registration form early, as all space is available on a first-come basis only.* Registrations are processed in the order they are received by Catholic Travel Centre.

YOUR PRICE INCLUDES

Price includes airfare based on non-refundable, economy class group fares on regularly scheduled IATA carrier from **Los Angeles (LAX)** or **Honolulu (HNL)**, accommodations in First Class hotels or best available (all with private facilities), sightseeing, and meals per itinerary (B, L, D) and is based on a minimum of **40** fully paying passengers in the group. Airport taxes & security fees, current fuel surcharges, tips, and optional travel protection plan will be added separately on your invoice. No visa required for USA citizens—only a valid passport. Please see 'Registration Form' and 'Terms & Conditions' for more details.

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Optional Passenger Travel Protection Program (PTPP) is available. Your invoice will show the Program fee. You may choose to accept or decline coverage. Coverage begins only upon receipt of your Program fee. See 'PASSENGER TRAVEL PROTECTION PROGRAM' under 'Terms & Conditions' on reverse side for full details.

FINAL PAYMENT

Final payment is due **90 days prior to departure.** This payment should be sent directly to Catholic Travel Centre. Instructions will appear on your invoice.

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Making any payments (cash, credit card or otherwise) towards any tour constitutes your unconditional acceptance of all the terms and conditions stated in this tour brochure. Catholic Travel Centre shall be referred to as CTC within this document.

DOCUMENTS: US citizens require a valid passport. Other nationalities please inquire with the appropriate embassies. Passports must be valid for six months beyond the tour's return date.

REGISTRATION AND DEPOSITS: A deposit of \$400 per person is required upon registration along with a signed copy of the registration form. Registrations cannot be taken by telephone. Registrations are processed in the order received by CTC. Balance of payment is due 90 days prior to departure. Late payment is subject to \$50 late fee. Late registrations (fewer than 90 days) must be accompanied by full payment by cashiers check only (including the optional passenger travel protection program payment, if applicable), plus a \$50 late fee and are subject to availability. CTC reserves the right to cancel reservations that are not paid in full 75 days prior to departure and to charge cancellation fees/penalties indicated below. A \$25 fee will be charged on all checks returned by our bank.

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- 1) \$150 if cancelled at least 150 days prior to the tour's departure date;
- 2) \$300 if cancelled 149 to 90 days prior to the tour's departure date;
- 3) \$400 plus any non-refundable amounts paid to and/or penalties assessed by airlines, hotels, or other suppliers of travel services (up to the total cost of the tour) if cancelled 89 to 8 days prior to the tour's departure date;
- 4) No refunds for cancellations received within 7 days of departure date.

The above cancellation fees and/or penalties will also apply if you register for an optional extension or airline routing, and you decide to cancel or change any of these. CTC strongly recommends the Passenger Travel Protection Program (see 'PASSENGER TRAVEL PROTECTION PROGRAM' below.)

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DEVIATIONS: Deviations from the group flight itinerary are not possible. If you wish to make your own airline arrangements and purchase the 'land only' version of the tour package, please contact your group coordinator for the 'land only' pricing.

AIRLINE SEATING, FREQUENT FLYER & MEAL REQUESTS: Seating is on a group basis only. CTC cannot accommodate any individual requests. CTC advises that you contact the airline for frequent flyer miles and special meal requests two weeks prior to departure.

BAGGAGE: Baggage is at risk at all times. We strongly suggest that you bring only one piece of checked luggage and one carry-on. Porterage is included at hotels only for one piece of luggage; the passenger is responsible at all times for carrying carry-on luggage. No porterage at airports.

ACCOMMODATIONS AND MEALS: Based on double/twin accommodations with private bathroom facilities (limited number of single rooms available). No reduction for triple rooms. Triple room consists of twin/double room plus a rollaway bed, and confirmation is based on availability. If no roommate is available for you or your roommate cancels prior to departure, a single supplement surcharge will apply. Meals are menu of the day as shown in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner).

SIGHTSEEING: By private motor coach with English-speaking guide/escort. Entrance fees included per final itinerary.

PRICES: Pricing is based on exchange rates, fares applicable at the time of quotation and on minimum number of paying passengers stated in the brochure, and is therefore subject to change.

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