

0824 Italy Experience with Father JP Cafiero Aug 26 - Sep 06, 2024



Monday, August 26

Depart USA on our way to Milan Italy.

Tuesday, August 27

ARRIVAL/MILAN/PADUA.

Upon arrival in Milan, drive to the city center. Visit the Milan Cathedral (Duomo di Milano) and explore the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II. In the afternoon, reach Padua for dinner and overnight. (D)

Wednesday, August 28

PADUA/VENICE/PADUA.

Today, take a ferry boat to Venice and enjoy a guided tour, including St Mark Square and Basilica. Celebrate Mass. We shall have some free time for lunch and shopping. Return to Padua for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Thursday, August 29

PADUA/FLORENCE.

Today, our local guide will show us the beauty of Padua. Visit the Basilica of Saint Anthony and celebrate Mass. In the afternoon, drive to Florence for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Friday, August 30

PADUA/FLORENCE.

This morning, explore the Florence Cathedral and Baptistry, Giotto Bell Tower, Piazza della Signoria Square, Ponte Vecchio Bridge, so that you can see the old town, symbol of Italian Renaissance. Celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight in Florence. (B, D)

Saturday, August 31

FLORENCE/SAN GIMIGNANO/FLORENCE.

Today, a day trip to San Gimignano is arranged for you. Explore the medieval towers and the historic center, see the Dome and the old Square. In the afternoon, return to Florence for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Sunday, September 01

FLORENCE/SIENA/ASSISI.

Today, we depart from Florence to the town of Siena. Upon arrival in Siena visit the Saint Francis Basilica, site of the Eucharistic Miracle. Mass will be celebrated. We will explore the Basilica of St. Domenico, site of the relic of St. Catherine of Siena and visit the Duomo di Siena. After some time at leisure for lunch on your own and shopping, we will travel to Assisi. Dinner and overnight in Assisi. (B,D)

Monday, September 02

ASSISI.

Today, visit the Basilica of San Francesco and the place where the Tomb of Blessed Carlo Acutis is located. Celebrate Mass. The remainder of the day is dedicated to private devotion. Dinner and overnight in Assisi. (B, D)

Tuesday, September 03

ASSISI/ROME.

This morning, leave Assisi and go to Rome. A visit to the major Basilicas is arranged for us at St Mary Major Basilica and St John in Lateran Basilica. Celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight in Rome. (B, D)

Wednesday, September 04

ROME. Following breakfast, we begin our day by attending the Papal Audience with Pope Francis in St. Peter's Square. Afternoon visit ancient Rome - the Colosseum, the Roman Forums. Walk to the Pantheon and Piazza Navona. City. Dinner and overnight will be at our hotel Rome hotel. (B,D)

Thursday, September 05

Rome. Following early breakfast, we shall have an early scheduled entry will be scheduled (earlier than the public opening time) to the museums. We shall have a private tour of the Vatican Museum, the Sistine Chapel, and St. Peter's Basilica. In the afternoon we will visit St. Paul Outside the Walls where Mass will be celebrated. Farewell dinner at Le Terme del Colosseo. Overnight in Rome. (B,D)

Friday, September 06

Transfer to Rome airport - to make our back home...

* Itinerary subject to change