



# ITALY

SACRED SHRINES AND LIVING LANDSCAPES

14-DAY PILGRIMAGE WITH HONORED GUEST

*Most Reverend*

**BISHOP REY BERSABAL**

DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO



**SEPTEMBER 7 - 20, 2026**

HOSTED BY REV. BRIAN ATIENZA, JCL

with non-stop flight  to Rome and 4-star  centrally located hotels!

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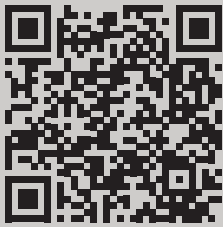
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**09/07/26**

departure from San Francisco

**09/20/26**

return from Rome



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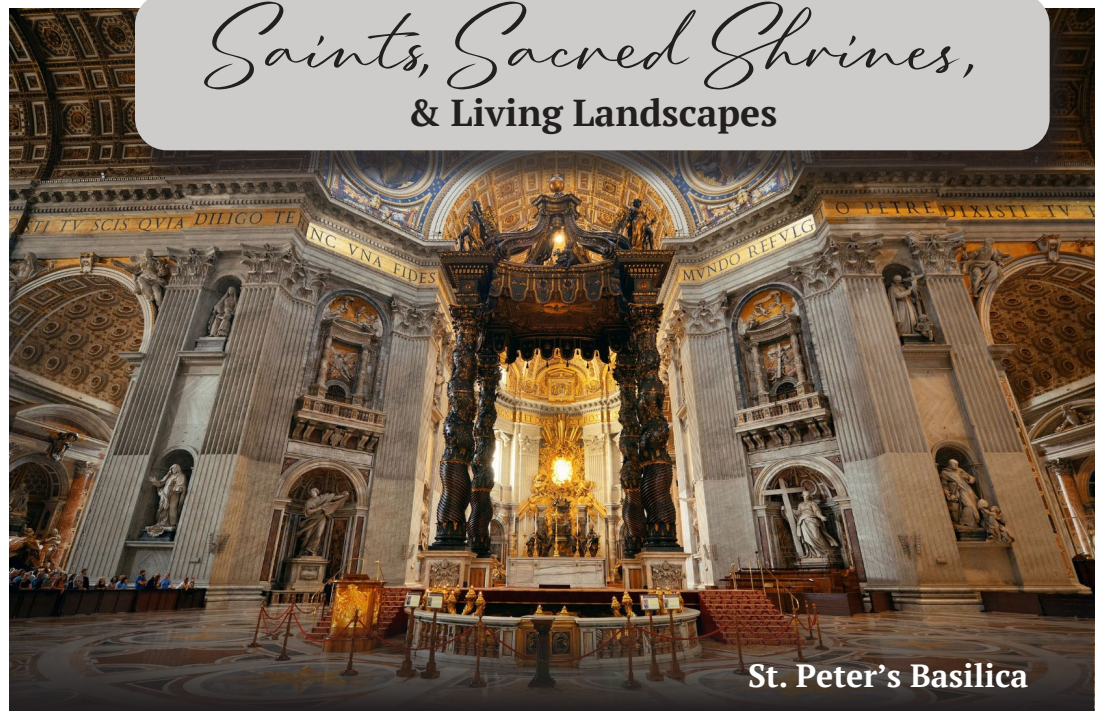


**The Sistine Chapel**  
Vatican



**Church of Santa Croce**  
Florence

# Saints, Sacred Shrines, & Living Landscapes



**St. Peter's Basilica**

## DAY 1 – FLIGHT TO ROME

Your pilgrimage begins today, boarding your flight to Rome. Sit back and relax as you cross the Atlantic, anticipating the extraordinary spiritual journey ahead.

## DAY 2 – ARRIVE IN ROME

Upon arrival in Rome, you will meet your Nativity Tour Manager and transfer to your hotel. After checking in, feel free to relax and unwind before gathering for a welcome dinner with the group.

## DAY 3 – THE VATICAN

We'll leave the hotel early to secure a good seat for the Papal Audience with Pope Leo XIV in St. Peter's Square! Afterward, we'll tour St. Peter's Basilica, the heart of the Catholic faith, and explore the Vatican Museums, home to treasures like Michelangelo's "Last Judgement" in the Sistine Chapel. We'll also stop for prayer at the Tomb of Saint John Paul II. After an exciting day, we'll return to the hotel to relax before dinner.

## DAY 4 – ROME'S MAJOR BASILICAS

Today, we'll explore Rome's major basilicas, starting with the Basilica of St. Mary Major and St. John Lateran, Rome's oldest basilica. Afterward, we'll climb the Holy Stairs as Christ did during His Passion, and stroll along the Appian Way, Rome's oldest road. We'll make stops at the Domine Quo Vadis Church, the Baths of Caracalla, the Arch of Drusus, the Tomb of Cecilia Metella, and the St. Callixtus Catacombs. We'll finish at the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls, before heading back to the hotel for dinner and a relaxing evening.

## DAY 5 – SIENA ★ FLORENCE

This morning, we travel to Siena in the heart of Italy's Tuscany region. We will visit some of the city's top sites like the incredible Gothic cathedral, the Sanctuary of St. Catherine of Siena, the Piazza del Campo, Palazzo Pubblico, and the Torre Del Mangia. Our tour concludes at the Basilica of St. Dominic to view the incorrupt relics of St. Catherine. Finally, we'll head to Florence for the evening, check into our hotel, and have dinner.

## DAY 6 – FLORENCE

Today's tour of Florence begins with the Basilica of Santa Croce, the burial site of notable figures like Michelangelo and Galileo. We'll also explore the Piazza della Signoria, Palazzo Vecchio, Uffizi Gallery, and Piazza della Repubblica. We'll finish at the beautiful Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the Accademia Gallery to see



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Michelangelo's sculpture of "David." We'll conclude the day with dinner and a relaxing evening at our hotel.

#### DAY 7 – ASSISI

Today, we travel to Assisi to visit the Basilica of St. Francis, one of Italy's most significant pilgrimage sites. We'll also visit the Church of St. Clare, and the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels, home of the Porziuncola. We'll explore the city's medieval streets and enjoy lunch, before visiting the tomb of Saint Carlo Acutis at the Santuario Della Spogliazione. Afterward, return to the hotel for dinner.

#### DAY 8 – LANCIANO ★ SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO

This morning, we'll travel to the province of Chieti on the Amalfi Coast to visit Lanciano. We'll celebrate Mass together at the Church of St. Longinus, home of the eighth century Eucharistic Miracle. Afterward, you'll have free time in the city before heading to San Giovanni Rotondo for the evening.

#### DAY 9 – SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO ★ GROTTA OF ST. MICHAEL

This morning, we'll celebrate Mass at the Old Church and tour the sanctuary. Take time to reflect on the crucifix where St. Pio received the stigmata. Afterward, we'll leave for Monte Sant'Angelo to visit the Grotto of St. Michael the Archangel, a truly remarkable Catholic shrine. Once our tour wraps up, we'll return to our hotel in San Giovanni Rotondo for dinner.

#### DAY 10 – SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO ★ POMPEII

Today, we'll explore the significant sites linked to Padre Pio, including his tomb, his private cell, and more. We'll

also visit the new church of Santa Maria Delle Grazie, where we'll celebrate Mass together. In the afternoon, we'll set off for Pompeii. After checking into our hotel, we'll have dinner together and settle in for the evening.

#### DAY 11 – RUINS OF POMPEII

Join us to explore this ancient city that was buried by Mt. Vesuvius in 79 AD, offering a unique snapshot of what daily life was like with intact streets, homes, public buildings, and artifacts. Then, we'll visit the Shrine of the Rosary of Pompei, home to important relics, including one from Jesus' Crown of Thorns. After the tour, we'll return to our hotel for dinner.

#### DAY 12 – AMALFI COAST ★ SORRENTO

This morning, we'll travel to Salerno to catch a boat to the stunning Amalfi Coast. We'll stop briefly for panoramic views of Positano before heading to Amalfi to admire the beautiful Cathedral dedicated to Saint Andrew. Afterward, we'll return to Salerno by boat and then head back to Pompeii for dinner and a relaxing evening at our hotel.










#### DAY 13 – MONTECASSINO ★ ROME

This morning, we depart for the town of Monte Cassino to visit the renowned Benedictine monastery, founded by Saint Benedict in 530 A.D. After exploring this historic site, we'll continue our journey back to Rome. Tonight, we'll gather for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant and return to our hotel.

#### DAY 14 – RETURN HOME

We will transfer to the airport this morning to board our return flight home.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

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|  Round-trip airfare            |  Land transportation      |  Admission fees    |
|  Airport taxes/fuel surcharges |  Breakfast & dinner       |  Daily Mass        |
|  First-class hotels            |  Professional tour guides |  Medical insurance |



Submit a non-refundable \$300 deposit with your registration form and passport copy to:

Nativity Pilgrimage  
15710 JFK Blvd.  
Suite 225  
Houston, TX 77032

★ Full payment is due 05/29/2026  
(100 days prior to departure.)

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

## YOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES

**Air Transportation:** Economy class and round-trip airfares are based on the time of the reservation. Rates and times are subject to change without notice. Airfares, once issued, are non-refundable, non-transferable, and cannot be used towards future travel.

**Land Transportation:** All land transportation as described in the itinerary will be by Deluxe Motor Coach. Some may be equipped with Wi-Fi service.

**Hotels:** Your hotels will be first-class with double occupancy (2 people per room with a private bath). Neither Nativity Pilgrimage nor the trip coordinator are responsible for providing a roommate.

**Meal Plan:** The meal plan offers breakfast & dinner daily, unless otherwise stated.

**Baggage:** Most airlines limit all passengers to one (1) piece of checked luggage and one (1) carry-on. All passengers should check with the airlines carriers for up to date baggage weight and dimensions.

**Airport Fees:** Airport Taxes, Portage, Fuel Surcharges and Security Fees

**Medical Insurance:** Coverage for the duration of your trip.

## YOUR PACKAGE DOES NOT INCLUDE

**Cancellation Insurance:** We highly recommend purchasing travel insurance upon registration.

**Passport Expenses:** This includes any passports or additional travel documents that may be required. Passports must be valid until at least 6 months from your return date.

**Personal Expenses:** Laundry, beverages (including wine, liquor, mineral water, tea, coffee, etc.), meals or food items not listed on the included menu plan, and any excess or additional luggage.

**Non-itinerary fees:** Any sightseeing or service fees or personal items that are not specifically mentioned as being included in the itinerary.

**Non-included meals:** You are responsible for any meals not specified in your itinerary.

**Tips/Gratuities:** This includes tour guides, drivers, hotel service staff, and wait staff.

## GENERAL TRAVEL INFORMATION

**Group Air:** Group Air differs from individually purchased airline tickets in that it is subject to the terms and conditions of the airlines. For this reason, we need to receive your registration and full payment by the payment deadline. After that date, registrations may be subject to a different air rate, ticketing method, or on a different airline. Additional fees and charges may apply. Group air flights are confirmed 60 - 90 days prior to departure.

**Departure Cities:** If your departure city is not listed on the brochure, indicate which airport you would like to depart from on the registration form. We will provide you with the best possible price and flight schedule in order to connect with the group. Additional fees and charges may apply.

**Land-Only Option:** If you would like to book your own air travel, indicate on your registration form that you want the 'Land Only' option. This amount equals to the total tour price minus \$800 for all destinations except Mexico, which is minus \$350. By booking your own air, you may select your seat, airline, and travel schedule, use airline miles/points, provide airline reward program information, and make any special requests directly with the airline. No changes can be made after the final payment deadline. Land-only services begin and end at the hotels unless you are able to meet the group at the airport. Land-only travelers are responsible for their own airport transfers.

## IMPORTANT NATIVITY PILGRIMAGE POLICIES

The airline selects seat assignments for group air, not the tour operator. Seat upgrades are available for registered travelers, by request. Quoted rates for an upgrade are subject to change until payment is received. Some upgrades are not available until the group tickets are issued.

**Single Room:** Tour price is based on double occupancy. If you'd like a single room, there is an additional cost per person as specified on the registration form. Single rooms are limited and will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Seat Upgrades:** Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives an upgrade request, we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee the acceptance of this request as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

**Seat Location Requests:** Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives a seat location request, we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee acceptance of this request as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

**Other Special Requests:** Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives a special request, such as a wheelchair, food, etc., we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee acceptance of this request as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

## BOOKING CONDITIONS

**Deposit:** A non-refundable deposit of \$300.00 per person is required at the time of booking. No reservation will be processed without a deposit.

**Payment Deadline:** Full payment is due 05/29/2026 (100 Days before departure.) Late registrations received after the deadline require an additional \$100 (subject to availability). If payment is not made in full 50 days prior to departure, your payments are non-refundable.

**Payment Methods:** We accept major credit cards, checks, money orders, Zelle payments (accounting@nativitypilgrimage.com), and ACH transactions. There is an additional 3% fee for each credit card transaction.

## LATE PAYMENT POLICY

Customers will receive Late Fees if they are not paid in full:

PRIOR TO DEPARTURE	FEE
100 - 61 days	\$150
60 - 30 days	\$300
30 days - day before departure	subject to cancellation

Customers are also responsible for any difference in fare due to late payment (subject to availability). Refusal to pay will be considered a cancellation.

## CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY

**Full Refund Policy for Holy Land (War-Related Cancellations Only):** If war occurs and the airline cancels flights to the Holy Land, Nativity Pilgrimage will issue a full refund for the land portion if canceled within 50 days of departure. For cancellations less than 50 days of departure, if airline tickets have been issued, the airline's refund and cancellation policies will apply to the airfare portion.

**Multi-Country Pilgrimages (Holy Land + Other Destinations):** If the itinerary includes Jordan, Egypt, Rome, Greece, or other destinations, the refund policies of the respective local travel providers will apply to those portions.

**Airline Ticket Terms:** Once tickets are issued, all airline terms and conditions apply, including penalties, refunds, and rebooking policies.

**Important:** For non-war related cancellations, our regular terms & conditions apply.

## PROTECT YOUR TRIP

Every pilgrim traveling with Nativity will receive complimentary medical insurance that provides coverage for the full duration of your trip.

We also strongly recommend purchasing trip cancellation insurance (available at an additional cost) to safeguard your travel investment in case unforeseen circumstances require you to cancel. Please contact our office for details about trip cancellation insurance options.

**Important:** If you plan to purchase Cancel for Any Reason (CFAR) coverage, it must be purchased at the time of registration.

## RESPONSIBILITY

Nativity Pilgrimage, Inc. and their agents assume no liability or responsibility in regards to travel in any form for any injuries or loss of property, accidents, delays, changes in schedule or itinerary, incidental damages or any irregular circumstances. This would include, but not limited to, default or omission by any third party providing services or facilities related to and/or included in the tour or any part thereof.

The IATA carriers, steamship firms and other transportation companies, whose services are featured in these tours, are not to be held responsible or accountable for any act, omission or event during the time the passengers are not on board their respective conveyance. The passage contract in use by these companies, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the companies and the purchaser of these tours and/or passengers and Nativity Pilgrimage, Inc. does not assume any liability or responsibility in connection therewith. They are not responsible for any losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, guarantees, or other causes. All such losses or expenses shall be borne by the passenger as tour rates provide for arrangements only for the time stated. The right is reserved to substitute hotels of similar quality to those specified in the itinerary. Nativity Pilgrimage reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. Refund details vary upon each trip. No refund will be made for any unused portion of the tour unless arrangements are made prior to departure from the United States. Prices and itineraries are subject to change without notice if booking conditions are not complied with.

