

Shrines of Italy

13 DAYS: NOV 27-DEC 9, 2026

Join Us Praying in the Footsteps of the Saints in Italy!
with **Rev. Joseph Kattakkara, CMI**



TOUR PACKAGE RATE (LAND + DIRECT FLIGHT FROM IAH, TX): \$4,895

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PILGRIMAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Rome
- Assisi
- Siena
- Monte Cassino
- Naples
- San Giovanni Rotunda
- Church of Padre Pio - St. Michael's Cave
- Lanciano - Loreto

Day by day itinerary

Nov 27, Fri: Depart point of origin

Nov 28, Sat: Arrival-Rome-Assisi: Upon arrival at Rome international airport, we will get our luggage and meet our Guide / Driver, then transfer to our Hotel in Assisi for dinner & overnight.

Nov 29, Sun: Assisi-Full day: After breakfast, we begin our day through the sacred hilltop town of Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis. Our first stop is the **Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi**, where the Church has announced a special plenary indulgence for the Jubilee Year 2026. In the lower basilica, we enter the quiet Crypt of St. Francis, where his tomb invites deep prayer and reflection. We continue to **the Basilica of St. Clare**, home to the incorrupt body of St. Clare and the original **San Damiano Crucifix**, the very cross from which Christ spoke to St. Francis, calling him to “rebuild My Church.” Next, we visit the **Tomb of St. Carlo Acutis**, the young millennial who used his love for the Eucharist and digital creativity to evangelize the world. Our journey continues to **San Damiano**, the humble church where St. Francis first heard the Lord’s call and where St. Clare lived and guided her community. We return to Assisi for dinner and overnight, carrying with us the grace of a day spent walking in the footsteps of saints..

Nov 30, Mon: Assisi-Siena – Assisi: After breakfast, we transfer to the medieval city of **Siena**, one of Tuscany’s most beautiful and spiritually rich destinations. Our first visit is to the magnificent **Siena Cathedral (Duomo)**, a masterpiece of Italian Gothic architecture. We continue to the **Shrine of St. Catherine of Siena**, located at her family home. Here we walk through the very rooms where St. Catherine prayed, lived, and received mystical visions. Our day then leads us to the **Basilica of San Domenico**, the church closely associated with St. Catherine’s spiritual life. It is here that she spent countless hours in prayer, and where her sacred relics—including her head and thumb—are venerated. Drive back to Assisi for dinner & overnight.

Dec 1, Tue: Assisi -The Portiuncula (Basilica of Santa Maria Degli)-Rome-Catacombs- St.Paul Outside the Walls- Appian WayAfter breakfast we visit **the Portiuncula**, located inside the grand **Basilica of Santa Maria degli Angeli**. It is here that Francis founded the Order of Friars Minor, received St. Clare into religious life, and obtained the famous Portiuncula Indulgence. Afterwards we transfer to Rome and visit of the Catacombs, where early Christians sought refuge during persecution. Our day continues with a visit to St. Paul Outside the Walls before driving along the historic Appian Way, where we see the Church of Domine Quo Vadis, the ancient Baths of Caracalla, the Arch of Drusus, and the Tomb of Cecilia Metella. Dinner & overnight in Rome.

Dec 2, Wed: Rome-Papal Audience-St. Peter’s Basilica-Sistine Chapel: Following breakfast, we make our way to St. Peter’s Square to attend the Papal Audience led by His Holiness, Pope Leo, which is scheduled every Wednesday pending the Holy Father’s calendar. After free time for lunch (not included), we continue with a guided visit of St. Peter’s Basilica, **followed by some personal free time inside the basilica for private prayer, reflection, or exploring its chapels at your own pace.** We then proceed to visit the Vatican museum and the Sistine Chapel. Dinner & overnight at our hotel in Rome.

Dec 3, Thu: St. John Lateran – Holy Stairs – St. Mary Major - Coliseum- Trevi Fountain: After breakfast, we visit the Basilica of St. John Lateran, the Pope’s cathedral church, where relics of Saints Peter and Paul rest beneath the main altar.Next, we visit the Holy Stairs, believed to be from the palace of Pontius Pilate and brought to Rome by St. Helen in the 4th century. Pilgrims may climb the steps on their knees in remembrance of Christ’s Passion. We continue on to the Basilica of St. Mary Major, the oldest church dedicated to Our Lady. Here we venerate the precious relic of the Manger that cradled the Infant Jesus and pause in prayer at the tomb of Pope Francis. In the afternoon, visit of Colosseum and Roman forum. After this we enjoy a dedicated short

visit of Trevi fountain, allowing time for photos and the traditional coin toss. Dinner & overnight in Rome.

Dec 4, Fri: Rome-Monte Cassino-Naples

After breakfast, we depart by bus for Montecassino. This scenic 1 hour 45-minute drive passes through the Roman countryside known for its villas and vineyards. Our escort will share insights into Italy’s spiritual and cultural history. Upon arrival, we visit the **Abbey of Montecassino**, founded by St. Benedict around 530 A.D. We then continue to Naples for dinner and overnight.

Dec 5, Sat: Naples- San Giovanni Rotunda

After breakfast, we begin our day with a profound encounter at the **Naples Cathedral (Duomo di San Gennaro)**, home to the cherished relics of **St. Januarius**, the beloved patron saint of Naples. Here, pilgrims have the opportunity to venerate his relics and reflect on the centuries-old miracle of the liquefaction of his blood, a sign of protection and intercession treasured by the faithful. We continue to the Tomb of **St. Giuseppe Moscati**, the holy physician of Naples whose life of charity, medical service, and deep faith continues to inspire countless pilgrims. In the afternoon, we depart Naples and travel toward San Giovanni Rotondo for dinner & overnight.

Dec 6, Sun: San Giovanni Rotunda-Church of Padre Pio- St. Michael’s Cave: After breakfast, we begin our day with a visit to the **Church of Padre Pio**, the sacred place closely associated with Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, one of the most beloved saints of the Catholic Church. Known for bearing the stigmata for most of his life, Padre Pio drew countless faithful seeking spiritual guidance, healing, and confession. He was beatified in 1999 and canonized in 2002 by Pope John Paul II. We then continue to the **Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie**, the historic church where Padre Pio lived much of his ministry. Pilgrims can visit the old church, the choir loft where he prayed, and the spaces that preserve his memory and spiritual legacy. Afterward, we drive to St. Michael’s Cave in Monte **Sant’Angelo for Mass** and we will have prayer for the US and the world. Here we visit the Grotto of St. Michael the Archangel, one of the most ancient and revered shrines dedicated to the Prince of the Heavenly Hosts. According to tradition, St. Michael appeared to the local bishop, assuring him that his diocese would be protected from destruction. We return to San Giovanni Rotondo for dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Dec 7, Mon: Lanciano-Loreto

Today we will board the bus and head to Lanciano. Upon arrival we visit the **Church of St. Francis**; This Church is the site of **the Eucharistic Miracle** that occurred in the eighth century. At the time of the Miracle, there was a Brazilian monk who struggled with the belief in the real presence of The Lord Jesus in the Eucharist. During the time of Mass, the monk, with doubt in his voice, said the “Words of Consecration” and the bread turned into living flesh, and the wine transformed into live blood. Next, we continue to Loreto for dinner & overnight.

Dec 8, Tue: Loreto- Rome (farewell dinner)

After breakfast, we visit the **Basilica of the Holy House of Loreto**, one of the most treasured Marian shrines in the world. Inside this magnificent basilica is the Holy House of the Virgin Mary, believed to be the very home where the Annunciation took place and where Mary lived in Nazareth. Transfer back to Rome for farewell dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Dec 9, Wed: Return Home from Rome.

Package Details

Price includes:

- *Hotels on H/B basis (Breakfast & dinner included, drinks not included) 11 nights.*
- 28/11- 01/12/2026 ASSISI GRAND HOTEL 4* or similar 3 nights
- 01/12 – 04/12/2026 ROMA CARDINAL HOTEL ST. PETER 4* or similar 3 nights
- 04/12 -05/12/2026 NAPOLI PALAZZO SALGAR 4* or similar 1 night
- 05/12 -07/12/2026 SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO HTL VALLEROSSA 4* or similar 2 nights
- 07/12 – 08/12/2026 LORETO SAN FRANCESCO HOTEL 4* or similar 1 night
- 08/12 – 09/12/2026 ROMA CARDINAL HOTEL ST. PETER 4* or similar 1 night
- Everyday Mass.
- 11 nights in HB Basis (breakfast and dinners) – drinks not included
- Roundtrip airfare IAH, TX-FCO Rome
- Transportation from BMT to IAH airport and back.
- 1 Farewell dinner in restaurant in Rome
- City council tax
- English speaking Tour Leader and guide from the arrival till the departure day
- Bus transportation by GT Air-conditioned deluxe bus – as the program (35/50 seats)
- All bus permission to enter the cities
- Hear phones/ Whispers: for the whole tour
- English speaking local licensed guide as per itinerary provided.
- Papal Audience (In accordance with the Papal Agenda)
- Entrance fees:
- Basilica San Francesco, Assisi - Basilica Santa Maria Maggiore, Rome -Duomo Siena -Colosseo -Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel - Catacombs, Rome - Duomo Napoli



Excludes:

*Travel Insurance (*Recommended it can be purchased through our website/home page/Travel Guard*).

* Drinks during meals / Everyday Lunch / Any personal item / Any other item not mentioned in the included part. / Tips to Guides, Buses, Restaurants, Hotels Staff, Porters.

Unexpected circumstances / Airline final Schedule may cause changes to the itinerary!

Please register online or complete the attached form!

	ITA Airways 637	Departing	(IAH) Houston, TX	Fri Nov 27 at 06:25 PM
		Arriving	(FCO) Rome, Italy	Sat Nov 28 at 11:50 AM
	ITA Airways 636	Departing	(FCO) Rome, Italy	Wed Dec 09 at 10:45 AM
		Arriving	(IAH) Houston, TX	Wed Dec 09 at 04:25 PM



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