



Join a Pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome

With the Franciscan Friars of San Pedro Spiritual Development Center

Assisi ♦ LaVerna ♦ Rieti Valley ♦ Rome ♦ (Loreto ♦ Siena)

April 20-30, 2018

\$2,990 per person* (airfare and ground)

\$1,990 per person* (ground only)

*Included in Price:

- ♦ Round Trip Airfare from Orlando (taxes and fuel surcharges included)
- ♦ Accommodations including 7 nights in Assisi and two nights in Rome
- ♦ Continental breakfast, plus dinner daily (water and wine included)
 - ♦ Chartered motor coach (as per itinerary)
 - ♦ Hotel Room (2 pilgrims per room)
 - ♦ Local Licensed Tour Guides
 - ♦ Daily Mass
- ♦ Licensed local guide with spiritual reflections and prayer

NOT Included: one meal per day, tips, gratuity (estimate \$10/day), Mass offerings, travel insurance, or optional side trips.

Itinerary on following page



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Journey with Saints

Friday, April 20

The pilgrimage will begin with departure from Orlando overnight to Rome's Fiumicino airport (FCO, aka Leonardo da Vinci). Dinner served on board.

Saturday, April 21

Upon arrival, transfer to Assisi via chartered coach. Upon arrival in Assisi, after check-in and some rest time, we will have some time to get to know one another and a brief walk around Assisi. Dinner and overnight in Franciscan hotel.

Sunday, April 22

Today we will begin our pilgrimage with a guided walking tour through the Franciscan sites in medieval Assisi including the birth place of Francis, the home of the first follower of Francis, the Cathedral of Assisi (San Rufino) and the Basilica of St. Clare housing the crucifix from which Jesus spoke to St. Francis, asking him to rebuild His church. After lunch on your own, we will make our way through the olive groves outside the old city walls (or take taxis) down to the beautiful little sanctuary of San Damiano for guided visit and Mass. Here the crucifix spoke to Francis telling him to rebuild the church; also, Clare lived here for forty years after joining Francis in his new evangelical movement. Dinner and overnight in hotel.

Monday, April 23

This morning we will continue our pilgrimage in the footsteps of Saint Francis with Mass and a guided visit of the famed basilica where Francis' body is entombed. The church is adorned with beautiful frescoes painted by masters of the high middle Ages like Giotto and Cimabue. After lunch in a nice local restaurant, we will go down to the valley to St. Mary of the Angels, to visit the Portiuncula, where Francis lived with his brothers and died in 1226. Dinner/overnight in Assisi hotel.

Tuesday, April 24

This morning, we will have some time for prayer and Mass in the hermitage of the Carceri on the slopes of Mount Subasio. Enjoy the afternoon free to explore Assisi on your own. Dinner and over-

night in Assisi hotel.

Wednesday, April 25

Today we will journey to the mountain hermitage of Laverna in Tuscany for Mass and a day of retreat. Here, in 1224, St. Francis mysteriously received the stigmata, the wounds of Christ. We will accompany the friars on their daily procession at 3:00 Time permitting, we will stop in Gubbio, where St. Francis tamed a wild wolf. Dinner/overnight in Assisi.

Thursday, April 26—Friday, April 27

These two days will be free in Assisi. Or, take advantage of optional day trips to Loreto and/ or Siena (additional cost estimated between \$30-\$40 per trip). Dinner and overnight in Assisi both nights.

1) In Loreto, visit the Holy House of Mary, believed to be the birth-home of our Lady and the site of the Annunciation; on the way back, visit Camerino, where the Franciscan Capuchin Order was founded.

2) In Siena, visit the church of Saint Catherine and the Franciscan church with Eucharistic miracle; also guided tour through the storied Renaissance city including the Duomo and famed city center.

Saturday, April 28

Today we will depart for Rome stopping in Greccio, site of the first nativity scene, in the Rieti Valley. After Mass and visit followed by lunch in a nice restaurant overlooking the panoramic Rieti valley, we will continue to Rome for overnight in the hotel.

Sunday, April 29

This morning, we will have a guided visit of St. Peter's square and basilica. At noon, we will see and hear Pope Francis at his weekly Papal Angelus. Take the afternoon for free time in Rome. Dinner/Overnight in Rome hotel. Mass in hotel chapel.

Monday, April 30

Transfer to the Rome airport for departure.

*The itinerary is subject to change due to factors beyond our control. However, the focus on the spiritual nature of the trip will always be the overall objective and will not change.

PILGRIMAGE REGISTRATION FORM

Pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome: April 20-30, 2018
\$2,990 per person (ground and air); \$1,990 (ground only)

Please return with a deposit of \$500 per person to reserve your place (\$250 is non-refundable but transferable). Make check payable to **St. Francis Pilgrimages**. Include a copy of passport photo/signature page. Return completed form to:

St. Francis Pilgrimages
PO Box 143
Senoia, Georgia 30276

Name exactly as it appears on passport: _____

Passport expiration date: _____

*N.B.: Your passport must be valid for 180 days after the return date;
if you are not a US, Canadian, or European citizen, you may need a travel visa to enter Italy.*

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Name you wish on your name badge; e.g. *Bret Thoman, OFS*: _____

E-mail address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home tel: () _____ 2nd number: () _____

Emergency contact (name, telephone number): _____

My roommate will be: _____

(Single-occupancy rooms may be available for \$450 per person; if you do not have a roommate, we will make an effort to provide one.)

Your flight itinerary (if not traveling on Orlando flight): _____

What do you expect from the pilgrimage? _____

Will you celebrate a special event (i.e. birthday or anniversary) during the pilgrimage? _____

Do you have special needs or concerns? _____

Do you have any health conditions or do you take any medications? If so, please list: _____

If you have any health conditions, please see the Pilgrimage Terms and Conditions on the next page of this form.

How did you hear about this pilgrimage? _____

Upon receipt of your registration form, you will be e-mailed a detailed welcome letter explaining what to do and expect next.

I have read and understand the Pilgrimage Terms and Conditions on the next page. I understand the risks assumed should I choose not to purchase Trip Insurance.

Signature(s) _____ Date: _____

PILGRIMAGE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Nature of Pilgrimage and Accommodations: St. Francis Pilgrimages, LLC organizes religious travel itineraries in the catholic pilgrimage tradition, rather than typical tours. As such, there is time set aside for private prayer and spiritual teaching. Accommodations are based on double occupancy and utilize religious hotels of good quality. All rooms have private bath. Given the religious nature of the pilgrimage, and that groups often overnight in religious hotels, participants are asked to adhere to the expectations as such.

Price: The published price per person includes ground transportation as per itinerary in chartered coach, lodging (at double-occupancy), daily continental breakfast, and daily dinner (*water and wine included*). The price does not include one meal per day, tips (estimate \$10/day), recommended travel insurance, personal expenses, or anything not expressly stated on the itinerary. Payment can be made through Paypal for an additional 3% surcharge.

Payment Information: A deposit of \$500 is required to secure a reservation (\$250 is non-refundable but transferrable). Payments are due as follows: \$1400 is due 100 days prior to departure, and the remainder is due 70 days prior to departure. Trip prices and costs are listed in US dollars (usd). Cancellations: If you cancel more than 100 days before departure, all payments will be refunded except \$250 of your deposit (which is transferrable). If the cancellation is made between 100 days and 70 days of departure, all payments will be refunded minus the entire \$500 deposit. If you cancel within 70 days of departure, we will attempt to recover what has been paid to suppliers, but cannot guarantee any reimbursements. Once issued, airline tickets are usually non-refundable, and refunds would be determined by the specific airline. Note that St. Francis Pilgrimages will only cancel a pilgrimage if there are insufficient registrations; if a pilgrimage is cancelled by St. Francis Pilgrimages, all payments will be refunded. However, if a participant cancels individually before St. Francis Pilgrimages officially cancels, refunds for that person will be based on the above criteria. We strongly recommend trip insurance.

Health: Participants often comment that the pilgrimage is strenuous, as it involves a lot of walking and stair climbing. If a participant has any health conditions (including psychological), we require full disclosure to St. Francis Pilgrimages, LLC. St. Francis Pilgrimages, LLC cannot accept liability for food ingested by participants with life-threatening food allergies or sensitivities. Any participant who has serious health conditions must inform his/her doctor of their intention to participate in the pilgrimage and submit a letter from his/her medical doctor stating that he/she is capable of fully participating in the pilgrimage without assistance. If such health conditions require extra assistance, such participant must be accompanied by an assistant. St. Francis Pilgrimages, LLC cannot accept liability for food ingested by participants with life-threatening food allergies or sensitivities. St. Francis Pilgrimages, LLC and suppliers contracted for services reserve the right to refuse to accept or retain any person whose behavior or health conditions are deemed likely to affect the smooth operations of the tour, or adversely affect the enjoyment or safety of other passengers. St. Francis Pilgrimages, LLC, its agents, and suppliers shall be under no liability to any such person for refund, compensation, repatriation or any other matters arising thereof.

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