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Rev. Msgr. Steven Brovey

Holy Year Pilgrimage: Assisi & Rome

March 11-23, 2025 - 13 Days

\$6,249 from Greenville, SC

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Tuesday, March 11 - DAY 1 – USA/ROME
– Today we depart from Greenville SC to connect with our overnight flight to Rome aboard a wide-bodied jet. We enjoy dinner and breakfast while aloft.

Wednesday, March 12 - DAY 2 - ROME/ASSISI - Upon arrival in Rome, we are greeted by our Unitours Tour Manager and board our motorcoach for our ride to Assisi. Following lunch on our own along the way, our first stop is in the lower town for a visit and our first pilgrims Mass at the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels and the Portiuncula, Francis' Church of the Little Portion. We continue to the upper village to our hotel for the “welcome dinner” and overnight.

Thursday, March 13 - DAY 3 - ASSISI - This morning, we begin at the Basilica of St. Francesco with Mass. After our visit of the Basilica and the tomb of St. Francis, we begin our walking tour of the village. Included is a visit to the Church of St. Clare to view the crucifix that spoke to St. Francis. We pass by the famous Temple of Minerva in the Piazza del Comune. This afternoon, following lunch on our own, we enjoy this picturesque hillside village at our pace. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Friday, March 14 - DAY 4 – ASSISI/PERUGIA/ASSISI – Today, we start our day at the Church of St. Mary Major and the Shrine Sanctuary of the Renunciation, which marks the spot where young Francis was said to have disrobed from his “rich man’s clothes” to adopt a simple brown robe, which would become the symbol of the Franciscan Order. This site also holds the glass sarcophagus of Blessed Carlo Acutis, the first “Millennial Saint” to be canonized. It is by Blessed Carlos’s handiwork that we are reviving our interest in Eucharistic Miracle sites, for it was he who vowed before he died to create a web site documenting all the Eucharistic Miracle sites around the world! Following our veneration of this young man who was “in-love” with the Holy Eucharist, we break for lunch on our own before our short drive to the town of Perugia, a short distance from Assisi.

On a hill, in the Cathedral Church of San Lorenzo, we find the reliquary containing the “Santo Anello” or Holy Ring of Mary. Tradition has it that this is the very ring St. Joseph placed on Our Lady the day of their wedding! Our married couple may have their wedding vows renewed while here. Following our visit, we journey back to Assisi and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure before dinner and overnight at our hotel.

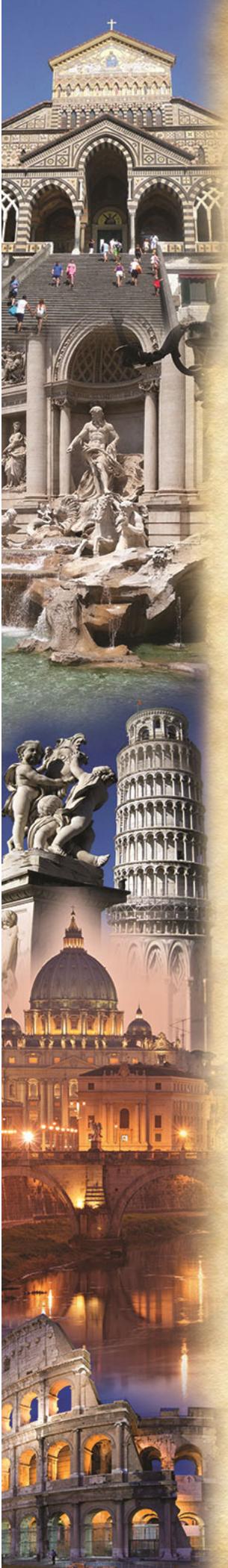
Saturday, March 15 - DAY 5 – ASSISI/ORVIETO/ROME – This morning, we departure from Assisi and travel south through the Umbrian countryside. We stop at the town of Orvieto for a visit and morning Mass at the breathtaking Cathedral, which is known as the jewel of Italian architecture. Inside the Cathedral is the Chapel of the Corporal, which houses the chalice cloth, involved in the Eucharistic Miracle, which occurred in nearby Bolsena. In the 13th century a pilgrim priest named Peter of Prague was celebrating Mass at the crypt of St. Christina. He was having a faith crisis concerning the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist and while speaking the words of the consecration, blood started to drip from the consecrated Host. Subsequently Pope Urban instituted The Feast of Corpus Christi, which the Catholic Church still celebrates! Afterwards we will travel south for our return to Rome. Dinner and overnight.

Sunday, March 16 - Day 6 – ROME/VATICAN CITY – Today, we arrive at St. Peters for Mass at the Altar of the Chair & Angelus with Pope in St. Peter's Square. Following a break for lunch on our own we visit the Campo dei Fiori, the Piazza Navona, the Piazza Campidoglio, and conclude our day at the Pantheon. This evening, we dine at one of Rome’s many fabulous restaurants as dinner is on our own as a group. We return to our hotel for overnight in Rome.

Monday, March 17 - Day 7 – ROME - This morning, we go to Vatican City where we celebrate Mass below St. Peters. (if possible)

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afterwards, we see the treasures of the Vatican Museum. We marvel at Michelangelo's restored frescoes in the Sistine Chapel and the wonders of St. Peter's. If tickets are available, we also enjoy the Scavi Tour as well. This afternoon, enjoy some free time to shop, relax or explore on our own. This evening, we enjoy dinner on our own at another Rome culinary favorite of our Tour Manager! Overnight at our hotel.

Tuesday, March 18 - DAY 8 – ROME – Today, we tour the Basilica of St. Mary Major and celebrate Mass while there. We then visit nearby Basilica of St. Prassede, dedicated to a second century saint who provided care for persecuted Christians in the early persecutions of the church. Following a stop for lunch on our own we journey to the Latin Quarter and the iconic Flavian Amphitheater, known more commonly as "the Colosseum" & tour of the Roman Forum in the oldest part of Rome. We conclude our day with yet another delightful evening of tasting the culinary masterpieces that dot this great city as this evening's dinner will be on our own. We return to our hotel for overnight.

Wednesday, March 19 - St. Joseph - DAY 9 - ROME – This morning, we make our way to St. Peter's for an audience with Pope Francis if he is in residence. This afternoon, St. Paul Outside the Walls. This huge, imposing Basilica, second only to St. Peter's and one of the largest churches in the Christian world, contains an unusual gallery of papal portraits: 265 tablets portraying the popes of the past. We then stop at Tre Fontane also known as "Grotto of the Three Fountains," marking the place where St. Paul the Apostle was martyred in the 1st century. It was said that when he was beheaded, his head bounced three times, each time creating a fountain of water from the ground! This is also the site of a Marian Apparition where Mary appeared under the title of Virgin of Revelation in 1947. We conclude our day at one of the Catacombs, burial place of early Christians. We celebrate Mass here and view the 2nd and 3rd century fresco paintings. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Thursday, March 20 - DAY 10 -ROME –

Today, we start our day at Basilica of St. John Lateran and the Holy Stairs. We then visit the Basilica of "Holy Cross" (Santa Croce) in Gerusalemme, which houses the Passion Relics brought back to Rome by St. Helena from Jerusalem. We proceed to the Basilica of San Clemente, dedicated to Pope Clement and unique in that its architecture tells the story of the early church in the first millennium. We break for lunch on our own before continuing our travels to the Church of Gesu, the "Mother Church" of the Jesuit Order. Our next Basilica is the one dedicated to St. Mark the Evangelist by Pope Mark in the fourth century, which is more commonly known simply as San Marco Church. Our final stop is the Basilica of Santa Maria in Aracoeli "Basilica of St. Mary of the Altar in Heaven." We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Friday, March 21 - DAY 11 – ROME- This morning, we start our day with a walking tour of Aventine Hill: "keyhole" at Knights of Malta, St. Sabina, Circus Maximus, St. Maria Cosmedin, St. Giorgio in Valabro, Tiber Island, Trastevere & Basilica of St. Cecilia, and St. Maria in Trastevere. We stop along our route for lunch on our own. Following some free time, dinner will be on our own tonight. Overnight at our hotel.

Saturday, March 22 - DAY 12 - ROME- Today is a Free Day in which we can choose to relax, shop, or explore more of Rome. This evening, we enjoy a special Farewell Dinner organized by Msgr. Brovey. Overnight at our hotel.

Sunday, March 23 - DAY 13– ROME/USA - Today we make our way home with memories of a lifetime.

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Enclosed please find deposit of \$500 per person (Payable to Unitours, Inc.)

PLEASE ENCLOSE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT (Passport MUST be valid until September 23, 2025, or later.)

Name(s) as appears on passport)

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Address:

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City, State & Zip

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Signature

TOTAL TOUR PRICE: The tour price is based on airfare, cruise, land rates and rates of exchange in effect May 16, 2024. All rates are subject to change without prior notice. Should the rates go up or down, an adjustment would be made prior to departure. Refunds CANNOT be granted for any accommodations, services or events that are not used nor if you deviate from the tour. If fewer than 25 pilgrims participate a price adjustment may be necessary.

PASSPORT AND VISA REQUIREMENTS: A valid passport is required. At the time of printing, U.S. citizens holding valid passports DO NOT REQUIRE visas or immunization for the country or countries being visited. Passport MUST be valid until September 23, 2025, or later. Citizens of countries other than U.S. - please contact the consulate of the country or countries being visited to determine visa requirements.

AIR TRANSPORTATION: International flight reservations are being held on United Airlines. No stopovers are permitted. Any changes after ticket is issued carries a mandatory charge of \$200. Once the tickets are issued, they are NON-REFUNDABLE. Additional non-recoverable airline penalties of up to \$200 may be assessed for cancellations received within 90 days of departure.

DOMESTIC AIRFARE: For those who make domestic air arrangements to the originating city of this tour, your tour host and Unitours strongly recommend the purchase of tickets that can be changed without heavy fees and penalties as international flight schedules are always subject to change.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Specially selected hotels based on twin occupancy with private bath. Single Room supplement of \$668 will be charged where requested and available. If you do not have a roommate and Unitours is unable to arrange one, you will be billed for the single room supplement. All singles are subject to availability.

MEALS: Breakfast and Table D' Hote dinners are provided daily except where noted in the itinerary. An extra charge will be made when coffee, tea or other beverages are not included in the menu of the day with the dinner meal.

TIPS AND TAXES: Tips and taxes normally appearing on hotel and restaurant bills as service are included, as are all government and local taxes on hotels and meals, portage of one suitcase per person. International departure taxes of \$129 plus current fuel surcharges of \$380 are included (subject to change). TIPS TO TOUR MANAGER/GUIDES, DRIVERS OR DINING ROOMS STAFF OF \$136 ARE NOT INCLUDED. One average sized suitcase not exceeding 50 lbs total weight and 62 linear inches (height plus width plus depth) is permitted throughout the trip.

NOT INCLUDED: Expenses and items not specifically mentioned in this brochure are NOT covered, including but not limited to passport and visa fees, meals not listed and items of a personal nature such as laundry, wines, liquors, mineral waters, after dinner coffee or tea, sightseeing or services other than those specifically mentioned, tips and taxes mentioned above, excess baggage and insurance, etc.

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Orvieto ●
Rome ●



100 km

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