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MILAN, TURIN, FLORENCE, ASSISI, SIENA, ROME

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Shroud of Turin

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Friday, May 8 - Day 1 - Depart USA Today we depart Newark to connect with our overnight flight to Milan aboard a wide-bodied jet. We enjoy in-flight movies, dinner and breakfast aloft.

Saturday, May 9 - Day 2 - MILAN/TURIN Upon arrival in Milan, we are greeted by our full time tour manager, board our motor coach, and drive to Milan. We will visit the beautiful church of Santa Maria delle Grazie, home of the famous Last Supper painting- if permitted we will view the masterpiece. We continue to the Duomo- Milan's jewel, where we will celebrate Mass, before our ride to Turin for dinner and overnight.

Sunday, May 10 - Day 3 - TURIN/FLORENCE This morning we visit Turin Cathedral, and celebrate Mass. The cathedral is dedicated to Saint John the Baptist and the major church of Turin, It was built during 1491-1498, and it is adjacent to an earlier campanile (1470). In the Chapel of the Holy Shroud, the current resting place of the Shroud of Turin, we will view The Shroud a centuries old linen cloth that bears the image of a crucified man; a man millions believe to be Jesus of Nazareth. We will also honor St. John Bosco, founder of the Salesians, as we commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birth. This afternoon, we depart Turin on our scenic journey ride to Florence. We will transfer to our hotel in the nearby Montecatini area for dinner and overnight.

Monday, May 11 - Day 4 - FLORENCE/MONTECATINI

This morning, we see the highlights of Florence, the jewel of the Renaissance. We first proceed to Piazzale

Michelangelo for a panoramic view of the city. Next we visit the Duomo, where we celebrate Mass, in the heart of the city with its cupola by Brunelleschi, completed in 1240, and its Campanile by Giotto and Baptistry with incomparable bronze doors by Ghiberti. Next, we visit the Medici Chapel in the church of San Lorenzo, to see the tombs designed and executed by Michelangelo. Afterwards, we set out to the Piazza della Signoria, dominated by the Palazzo Vecchio and its embattlement crowned tower. Across from the Palace, we visit the Loggia dei Lanzi with the statues of the Perseus by Cellini; Giambologna's the "Rape of the Sabines" and "Hercules". After free time for lunch on our own, we visit the Basilica of Santa Croce. Among the most famous interred here, lie Galileo, Rossini, Michelangelo, and Machiavelli. This is followed

by free time for shopping on the Ponte Vecchio and personal adventure. We return to Montecatini for dinner and overnight.

Tuesday, May 12 - Day 5 - MONTECATINI/SIENA/ROME

Today we journey through the Italian countryside stopping in the magnificent city of Siena, which invites us to stroll through its Gothic streets converging on the famous Piazza del Campo. We celebrate Mass at the Dominican Church that commemorates St. Catherine. We continue south through Umbria and proceed to Rome. Driving by the Roman Fora, passing the Arch of Constantine, the Coliseum, and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. We stop at the Church of St. Peter in Chains to view Michelangelo's possibly most celebrated sculpture, the "Moses. Dinner/Overnight Rome.

Wednesday, May 13 - Day 6 - ROME We make our way to St.

Peter's for an audience with the Holy Father if he is in residence. This afternoon, we visit the Holy Stairs and Basilica of St. John Lateran We continue to St. Paul Outside the Walls where we celebrate Mass. The huge, imposing Basilica is second only to St. Peter's and one of the largest churches in the Christian world. It contains an unusual gallery of papal portraits: 265 tablets portraying the popes of the past. Also we enjoy a visit to the Basilica of St. Mary Major. We conclude our day at one of the Catacombs, burial place of early Christians, where we view the 2nd and 3rd century fresco paintings. Dinner and overnight Rome. Thursday, May 14 - Ascension of Jesus- Day 7 - ROME - This morning, we visit Vatican City, where we celebrate Mass below St. Peters. 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. This afternoon/evening we will enjoy a reception with the Vatican Press. Tonight, we enjoy our farewell dinner with wine and music followed by a Rome by Night tour with a stop at the Trevi

Friday, May 15- Day 8 - ROME Free day in Rome - or optional excursion to Assisi. Dinner on your own tonight- enjoy the culinary delights of Rome. Overnight Rome.

Saturday, May 16 - Day 9 - Return to the USA - We make our way home today with a lifetime of memories!



Reservation Form - Catholic Press Association - Shroud of Turin Pilgrimage

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Please reserve ____ seats on this Shroud of Turin Pilgrimage - May 8 - 16, 2015 Enclosed please find deposit of \$300 per person (Payable to Unitours, Inc.)

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My Roommate: Name(s) as appears on passport) Address: Please assign a roommate (if available) ____ I prefer a single room - \$485 supplement and limited in number. City, State & Zip I/we wish to purchase optional travel insurance starting at \$199 now in order to cover preexisting conditions. (See "Travel Telephone: Insurance" on pilgrimage terms for price and details.) TO BOOK ONLINE CLICK HERE Enclosed find a check or charge my deposit to ____ Visa ____ Mastercard ____ Amex ___ Discover Card# Exp. Date I understand that certain charges such as air taxes, fuel surcharges and rates of exchange can affect the final cost and I agree to pay such costs should adjustments be necessary. Signature

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