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Lenten Pilgrimage to Italy with a Priest Host

**March 6-14, 2022 - 9 Days
\$3,799 from Boston**

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Sunday, March 6 - Day 1 - DEPART USA – Today, we depart Boston's Logan Airport to connect with our overnight flight to Rome aboard a wide-bodied jet. We enjoy in-flight movies, dinner and breakfast while aloft.

Monday, March 7 - DAY 2 - ROME – This morning, we arrive in Rome and are greeted by our Tour Manager as we transfer to our deluxe coach bus and enjoy a driving tour of her many sites. Along the way, we are offered a viewing tour of some of the popular landmarks including: the Basilica of St. Paul, the ancient Pyramid of Cestius, The baths at Terme di Caracalla, the Colosseum, Basilica of St. Mary Major, the Piazza della Repubblica and down Via Veneto to Villa Borghese. Following a stop for lunch on our own, we conclude our day at one of the Catacombs, the burial places of early Christians. We celebrate Mass while here and view the 2nd and 3rd century fresco paintings. We then continue to our hotel for our "welcome" dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Tuesday, March 8 - DAY 3 - VATICAN CITY/ROME – Following morning Mass at St. Peter's, we spend this morning viewing the treasures of the Vatican Museum. We marvel at Michelangelo's restored frescoes in the Sistine Chapel. Continue to St. Peter's Basilica to view the famous "Pieta". This afternoon, following lunch on our own, we visit two of Rome's major basilicas, St. John Lateran and St. Mary Major. We conclude our day with a visit to St. Peter in Chains to view Michelangelo's possibly most celebrated sculpture, the "Moses". Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Wednesday, March 9 - DAY 4 - VATICAN CITY/ROME – Today, we make our way to St. Peter's for an audience with Pope Francis (pending if he is in residence). After lunch on our own, we visit St. Paul's Beyond 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 celebrate Mass here and return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Thursday, March 10 - DAY 5 - ROME/ORVIETO/ ASSISI – Today, we have an early morning departure from Rome, as we travel north through the Umbrian countryside. We stop at Orvieto for a visit and 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 1264AD, 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 IV instituted the Feast of Corpus Christi. Following a stop for lunch on our own, we continue to Assisi. Our first stop is in the lower town for a visit to the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels, and the Portiuncula, Francis' Church of the Little Portion. We then

proceed to the hilltop village of Assisi to begin our walking tour of the village with a visit to the Church of St. Clare "the little plant of Blessed Francis" as she loved to call herself, where we view the San Damiano crucifix that spoke to St. Francis. Kneeling before it, Francis composed the following prayer, which is considered to be among the oldest of his writings: "*All Highest, Glorious God, cast your light into the darkness of my heart. Give me right faith, firm hope, perfect charity, and profound humility, with wisdom and perception, O Lord, so that I may do what is truly your most holy will. Amen.*" We conclude our day with dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Friday, March 11 - DAY 6 – ASSISI/SIENA/ASSISI - This morning, we begin with a short walk to the Basilica of St. Francesco for Mass. After our visit of the Basilica and the tomb of St. Francis, we journey through the picturesque Italian countryside, arriving in the magnificent city of Siena, which invites us to stroll through its Gothic streets. We visit the Dominican Church commemorating St. Catherine and walk down to the famous Piazza del Campo. This shell shaped square is the dramatic setting for the annual Palio bareback horserace. The piazza's focal point is the Palazzo Pubblico, the public palace, which dates back to 1250. We continue uphill to visit the monumental Cathedral dedicated to the Virgin Mary. We have free time for lunch on our own before we return to our hotel for dinner and overnight in Assisi.

Saturday, March 12 - DAY 7 – ASSISI/LORETO/ MONTESILVANO – Today, we drive east towards Ancona to visit and celebrate Mass at Loreto, the site of the "Santa Casa" or Holy House. Ancient tradition tells us that to avoid destruction by Muslim invaders to the Holy Land, on May 10, 1291, seven angels carried the house of the Holy Family from Nazareth to Dalmatia (modern Tarsat, Croatia) and then Italy, where it eventually rested in Loreto. After our visit and a break for lunch on our own, we continue southwards via the coastal highway to the Montesilvano Pescara area for dinner and overnight at our hotel on the shores of the enchanting Adriatic Sea.

Sunday, March 13 - DAY 8 – MONTESILVANO/ LANCIANO/ROME - This morning, we visit and pray at Lanciano, the site of the oldest Eucharistic Miracle certified by the Church. After almost eight centuries, the Body and the Blood still maintain all the characteristics of fresh human material! Following a stop for lunch on our own, we continue west and back to beautiful Rome. We have time to relax before ending our day at our hotel for our "farewell" dinner and overnight.

Monday, March 14 - DAY 9 - ROME/USA - This morning, we transfer to the airport for our flight to the U.S. arriving the same day with memories of a lifetime.

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Please reserve ___ seats on this Lenten Pilgrimage to Italy - March 6-14, 2022.

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

PLEASE ENCLOSE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT (Passport MUST be valid until May 15, 2022, or later.)

Name(s) as appears on passport

My Roommate:

Address:

___ Please assign a roommate (if available)

___ I prefer a single room - \$390 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 Insurance" on pilgrimage terms for price and details.)

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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. I have read and understand the Deposit and Cancellation Fees.

Signature

TOTAL TOUR PRICE: The tour price is based on airfare, cruise, land rates and rates of exchange in effect July 2, 2021. 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 **May 15, 2022**, 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 Alitalia 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-TRANSFERABLE AND NON-REFUNDABLE. Any requests to change a ticket once issued will incur a reissue fee of \$200 plus any fare differential will apply. Cancellation of air seat within 90 days of departure will incur a \$200 penalty.

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 \$390 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 \$113 plus current fuel surcharges of \$400 are included (subject to change). TIPS TO TOUR MANAGER/GUIDES, DRIVERS OR DINING ROOMS STAFF OF \$85 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.

DEPOSITS AND CANCELLATIONS: A deposit of \$500 is required to secure reservations. Any balance is to be paid in full no later than 60 days before departure of tour. Final payments received by Unitours after 45 days before departure must include a \$25 late payment fee. (This does not apply for new reservations made within 45 days of departure.) Reservations made within 60 days of departure must include full payment. Amex, Discover, Visa and MasterCard are accepted with signed

reservation form. Final payments will be applied to same credit card on final payment due date including insurance. Cancellations made from time of reservation to within 61 days prior to departure - - \$400 administration fee (charged to deposit) plus any air penalties noted above. In the event of a cancellation from 60 to 31 days prior to departure - - \$400 administration fee plus up to 50% of the land cost, plus any air penalties noted above. No refund for cancellations received within 30 days of departure. All cancellation and refund claims must be in writing to Unitours, Inc.

BANK FEE: A fee of \$50 will be charged for any check that is returned to us for insufficient or unavailable funds.

DEVIATIONS: A service charge of \$50 pp will be applied for any deviations made in tour, (where possible), PLUS any additional air or land charges incurred.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Optional Travel Insurance is strongly recommended for your trip. See www.Unitours.com/TravelInsurance for full details including optional Cancel for any reason coverage. (NOT AVAILABLE FOR NEW YORK RESIDENTS.) Cost of travel insurance for this trip starts at \$199. To cover preexisting conditions, insurance must be purchased with your reservation. (See reservation form). If paying by check, add insurance cost to your deposit. Insurance can also be purchased at the time of your final payment.

LAND ARRANGEMENTS: The tour operator reserves the right to change the itinerary due to unforeseen emergencies.

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