Holy Year of Mercy
Pilgrimage to Italy
with a Priest Host
September 28 - October 6, 2016 - 9 Days
$3799 from Newark
Including current air taxes and fuel surcharges
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Wednesday, September 28 - Day 1 - DEPART USA - Today we depart Newark airport for our overnight flight to Rome. We enjoy in-flight movies, dinner and breakfast aloft.

Thursday, September 29 - Day 2 - SIENA - Upon arrival in Rome we journey to the medieval city of Siena. We celebrate our welcome Mass at the Basilica Di San Francesco where 223 hosts consecrated in 1730 are still intact in one of its chapels. Time permitting; we enjoy some free time at the Piazza del Campo , Siena’s famous square, before we transfer to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Friday, September 30 – St. Jerome- Day 3 – SIENA/ASSISI - Today, we visit the Duomo, Siena’s magnificent Gothic Cathedral. We proceed to the Dominican Church commemorating St. Catherine. We celebrate Mass here. We journey through the beautiful Tuscan countryside and stop briefly at a nice Italian designer factory outlet for shopping. We continue to Assisi and stop 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 proceed to the hilltop village of Assisi, the home of Saint Francis for dinner and overnight.

Saturday, October 1 - Day 4 - ASSISI/LORETO - 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. Later, our taxis take us up to Church of San Damiano. We continue to our hotel in Loreto for dinner and overnight.

Sunday, October 2 - Day 5 - LORETO/LANCiano/SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO - This morning, we celebrate Mass at Loreto, the site of the Santa Casa or Holy House. Ancient tradition tells us angels carried the house of the Holy Family from Nazareth to Loreto as it was about to be destroyed by Holy Land invaders. We continue southwards to Lanciano, the site of the oldest Eucharistic Miracle certified by the Church. We proceed to San Giovanni Rotondo where we briefly visit the sanctuary. We transfer to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Monday, October 3 - Day 6 - SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO/ SUBIACO - Today, we return to the Shrine of Padre Pio to celebrate Mass. We visit his tomb, cell, confessional, crucifix from which he received the stigmata, and nearly everything he owned or touched. We travel to Subiaco to visit the monasteries of St. Benedict and St. Scolastica. We continue to Rome and enjoy a panoramic tour, passing the Roman Fora, the Arch of Constantine, the Coliseum and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Transfer to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Tuesday, October 4 – St. Francis of Assisi - VATICAN CITY/ROME - This morning, we go to the Vatican, where we walk through our first Holy Door and 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, we visit the Basilica of St. Mary Major and walk through the second Holy Door. We proceed to the Church of St Alphonsus Luigi, the Shrine of Mother of Perpetual Help in Rome, then to the Holy Stairs or Scala Santa. At St. John Lateran, we enter the Basilica through the Holy Door. Tonight, we enjoy dinner with entertainment at one of the restaurants in Rome. Overnight at our hotel.

Wednesday, October 5 - VATICAN CITY/ROME - This morning, we make our way to St. Peter's for an audience with Pope Francis if he is in residence. After lunch on our own, we visit the Basilica of Santa Maria in Ara Coeli where a fresco of the Blessed Virgin, tradition tells us, was painted by St. Luke, the Madonna di Ara Coeli. This Basilica is also famous for the miraculous Infant Jesus (Gesu Bambino) carved from olive-wood from the Garden of Gethsemane by a Franciscan friar. According to tradition, its coloring which glows with a translucence that is beyond human skill was completed by an angel. We proceed to St. Paul’s Beyond the Walls where we walk through our fourth Holy Door and celebrate Mass. Here we complete our penance and re-commitment to a life of Faith. We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Thursday, October 6 - Day 9 - USA – Today we make our way home with memories of a lifetime.

“Have questions about this pilgrimage? Ask us! Go to www.Unitours.com/questions.”
$50 Early Booking Discount if Reserved by January 3, 2016

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Mail to: Unitours, 10 Midland Ave #202 – Port Chester, NY 10573
Please reserve ___ seats on this Pilgrimage to Italy September 28 - October 6, 2016
Enclosed please find deposit of $300 per person (Payable to Unitours, Inc.)

PLEASE ENCLOSE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT (Passport MUST be valid until April 06, 2017 or later.)

Name(s) as appears on passport)

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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.

Signature

TOTAL TOUR PRICE: The tour price is based on airfare, cruise, land rates and rates of exchange in effect November 9, 2015. 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 April 06, 2017 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 British Airways. 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 $414 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 $180 plus current fuel surcharges of $516 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 $300 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 at Unitours after 45 days before departure must include a $25 late payment fee. (This does not apply for new reservations made after 45 days of departure.) Reservations made within 60 days of departure must include full payment. Amex, Visa and Mastercard are accepted with signed reservation form. Final payments will be applied to same credit card on final payment due date. Cancellations made from time of reservation to within 61 days prior to departure - -

$100 processing charge plus any air penalties noted above. In the event of a cancellation from 60 to 8 days of departure - - $150 processing charge plus up to 50% of the land cost, plus any air penalties noted above. There can be no refund for any services for cancellations received within 7 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.

DEVATIONS: 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. 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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