

ITS International Tours, LLC presents:

# ROME & THE SHRINES OF ITALY



*Mater Ecclesiae Pilgrimage*  
*Siena, Loreto, Lanciano, San Giovanni & Rome*  
with Fr. Robert Pasley



## PROPOSED ITINERARY

**DAY 1** - Depart **Philadelphia** for your flights to **Italy**. Dinner and breakfast are served on board.

**DAY 2 - SIENA** - On arrival in **Rome** you will be met by your **Tour Escort**. You then board your private **Motorcoach** and transfer to **Siena**, probably Italy's loveliest medieval city. Dinner and overnight in **Siena**.

**DAY 3 - SIENA** - After breakfast this morning you begin your tour of **Siena** with **Mass** at the **Basilica of St. Dominic**, site of the relic of **St. Catherine of Siena**. Afterwards you visit the **Basilica of St. Francis**, site of the **Eucharistic Miracle**. The famous **Palio**, a breakneck, 90-second horse race takes place twice a year in the **Piazza del Campo**. The **Piazza** is **Siena's** main center of activity and is a medieval showcase. Dinner and overnight in **Siena**.

**DAY 4 - LORETO/LANCIANO/SAN GIOVANNI** - Our travels today first take us across **Italy** for **Mass** at the great Marian shrine of **Loreto** to visit the "**Holy House of Nazareth**" and the beautiful **Madonna of Loreto**. You then continue along the fertile **Adriatic Coast** to **Lanciano** to view the 8th century **Eucharistic Miracle** in the little **Church of Lagontial**. Afterwards you travel to **San Giovanni** for dinner and overnight.

**DAY 5 - SAN GIOVANNI** - **Mass** at the tomb of **Padre Pio** and a visit to the sanctuary narrated by one of the fathers who knew **Padre Pio** personally. Enjoy a breathtaking view over the **Cargano Peninsula** and a visit to the **Grotto of St. Michael the Archangel**, one of the most celebrated shrines of old **Christianity**. We return to **San Giovanni** for reflection, dinner and overnight.

**DAY 6 - MONTE CASSINO/ROME** - After **Mass** this morning in **San Giovanni** you cross the **Italian peninsula**, with stops enroute, to arrive at the hilltop **Benedictine Monastery** at **Monte Cassino**. Founded by **St. Benedict** in 529 A.D., **Monte Cassino** featured prominently in the battle for the liberation of **Italy** in **World War II**. You arrive in **Rome** in time for dinner and overnight.

**DAY 7 - ROME** - Today you enjoy a **City tour of Ancient Rome**. You begin with **Mass** at the **Church of San Clemente**. Afterwards you go below the **Church** to explore the **Scavi, Ancient Ruins of Rome**. You then continue to **Capitoline Hill, or Campidoglio**, and walk down into the **Roman Forum**. You end at the **Colosseum** with a tour inside one of the most famous pieces of architecture in the world.

**DAY 8 - ROME** - This morning your day begins with **Mass** at the **Church of St. Lawrence. (San Lorenzo Fuori le Mura)**. You will then visit the **Basilica of St. Paul's Outside the Walls**. Later in the day you will visit the **Church of Tres Fontani** and go into the **Catacombs** to see where the early **Christians** hid and held **Mass**.

**DAY 9 - ROME** - After breakfast, you depart for **St. Peter's Basilica** for **Mass**. Afterwards your **Tour of Vatican City** includes the **Basilica, the Vatican Museum** and the **Sistine Chapel**. Here you will view some of the most priceless works of art, including **Michelangelo's** magnificent fresco of the **Last Judgment**. In the afternoon you will visit the two remaining **Basilicas** of **St. Mary Major**, and **St. John Lateran**.

**DAY 10 - ROME** - This morning you again depart for **St. Peter's Basilica**. Today you are truly a citizen of the world as you join others from around the globe for your **Papal Audience**. (If possible.) After lunch, on your own, you will have a full free afternoon to revisit your favorite part of the **Vatican**, shop in **Vatican City** or elsewhere in **Rome**, and enjoy the **Eternal City**. In the evening at your motorcoach takes you to the restaurant **Papa Rex**, (or similar), for your **Farewell Banquet**.

**DAY 11 - Return** - After breakfast you transfer to the **Rome Airport** for your return flights to **Philadelphia**.

## PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- ~ Round trip airfare from Philadelphia
- ~ Accommodations in First Class/Superior Tourist Hotels
- ~ Continental Breakfast/Dinner daily
- ~ Private Motorcoach for transfers & sightseeing as shown in itinerary
- ~ Porterage at hotels
- ~ Comprehensive sightseeing tours
- ~ Multi-lingual Tour Escort throughout the tour
- ~ ITS Travel Backpack
- ~ Daily Tridentine Mass & Spiritual Activities Coordinated with Fr. Robert Pasley

**TOUR NO:** RI04 1018-RP  
**TOUR DATES:** October 18 - 28, 2004  
**TOUR PRICE:** \$2,335 from Philadelphia  
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