

Tour 60827



## Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Harrisburg

invites you to join



**Most Reverend  
Ronald W. Gainer**

Bishop of Harrisburg, PA

on an 11-day pilgrimage to Italy for the

**CANONIZATION OF  
BLESSED MOTHER TERESA**

# ITALY

August 27-September 6, 2016



**Base price \$3,099 + \$639\* per person  
per person from JFK  
if deposit is paid by 5-19-16**

**\*Estimated Airline Taxes & Fuel Surcharges  
subject to increase/decrease at 30 days prior**

### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS / TOUR CONTRACT**

**TOUR PRICE:** Based on tariffs and currency exchange rates in effect on 12/2/2015 and subject to change without notice should there be a revision in rates prior to departure of tour. The tour price is based on a minimum of 36 passengers. Should there be fewer, there could be a surcharge.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** In first class hotels or better, based on double or triple occupancy with private facilities. Single-room supplement is \$59 per night and based on availability. Requests for a roommate are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis and are not guaranteed. The single-room supplement will be assessed if a roommate is not available when the group is finalized.

**MEALS:** Nine full hot breakfasts and eight dinners throughout the basic tour (continental breakfasts in hotels only where full breakfasts are not available). Extra charge for beverage not included in the menu of the day.

**TIPS AND TAXES:** Those normally appearing on hotel and restaurant bills as "service" are included. **Airport fees, departure taxes, and fuel surcharges are estimated on the original invoice and adjusted at the time of ticketing.**

**SIGHTSEEING:** By modern motorcoach, including services of English-speaking guides and entrance fees to places included in the itinerary. Masses at churches indicated are subject to availability.

**NOT INCLUDED:** 1: Airport fees, departure taxes and fuel surcharges (est. - \$639); 2: tips to guides and drivers, meal servers and luggage handlers (est. - \$13 per day); and 3: optional travel insurance. **An amount to cover these items will be added to your original invoice.** Also not included: domestic baggage fees, passport and visa fees, laundry, wines, liquors, meals not included in the itinerary, sightseeing or services other than those specifically mentioned and items of a personal nature. Note: Due to limited storage space on motor coaches, Pentecost Tours entitles each passenger to one checked bag and one carry-on bag that meets airline "size/weight" allowances. Domestic baggage fees, overweight baggage charges, and fees for additional bags fall under the responsibility of the passenger. Be aware, while you may agree to pay fees for additional luggage, there may not be room on the motor coach.

**ASSISTANCE:** Pilgrims who require personal assistance must be accompanied by a paying passenger who will provide that assistance.

**DEPOSIT AND CANCELLATION:** A deposit of \$500 per person is required to secure reservations, which sum will be applied to the price of the tour, with the **balance to be paid in full no later than 5/27/2016.** Payment of remaining balance received after 5/27/2016 will incur a \$50 penalty. Reservations made within 92 days of departure may be subject to a late charge. In the event of cancellation, refund will be made up to 4/29/2016 with a \$100 administrative fee plus any airline cancellation penalties. From 4/29/2016 to 5/27/2016 the cancellation penalty is \$500 plus any airline cancellation penalties. If cancellation is received after 5/27/2016, refund will be subject to a minimum 40% cancellation fee plus any airline cancellation penalties, or an amount equal to expenses to the tour operator, whichever is greater. There will be no refund for cancellations within 33 days of departure. Cancellation must be in writing and the effective date will be the date that Pentecost Tours, Inc. receives it. In the event 15 passengers do not book the tour within 120 days of departure, the agent reserves the right to cancel the tour. If the entire tour is cancelled by Pentecost Tours, Inc., you are entitled to a full refund.

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Round trip JFK/Rome and Rome/JFK on economy class jet via Delta, Alitalia or any other IATA member. Based on 6-day minimum/21-day maximum advanced purchase fare, subject to participation of ten persons on entire flight itinerary. If cancellation is effected by passenger after 5/27/2016, or after air tickets are written, whichever comes first, 100% of airfare will be forfeited by passenger in addition to the penalties mentioned above. All airfares are subject to government approval and change without notice.

**INSURANCE:** Insurance is NOT included in the tour price. Because of the cost of medical care outside the United States, the fact that Medicare does not provide coverage outside the United States, the possibility that your own insurance provider may not cover you outside the United States, and due to the potentially high cost of escorted air evacuation, travel insurance is strongly recommended. Consequently, for the protection of our clients, you will be mailed a travel insurance brochure/policy along with an insurance waiver form in the event you choose to decline coverage. The effective date of coverage will be the date that the insurance premium is paid and not the date of the initial deposit.

**RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY:** Land arrangements including surface transportation: Pentecost Tours, Inc., and the participating Tour Operators operate the land tours offered under this program only as agents of the railroads, car rental contractors, steamship lines, hotels, bus operators, sightseeing contractors and others that provide the actual land arrangements and are not liable for any act, omission, delay, injury, loss, damage or nonperformance occurring in connection with these land arrangements. Delta, Alitalia and other IATA carriers, steamship lines and other transportation companies whose services are featured in these tours are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their conveyance. The passage contract in use by these companies when issued shall constitute the sole contract between the companies and the purchaser of these tours and/or passage.

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**LAND ARRANGEMENTS:** The tour operator reserves the right to change the itinerary because of emergencies or extenuating circumstances beyond our control.

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MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED DAILY

**Day 1: Saturday, August 27, 2016, USA / ROME**

The group will depart from an international airport via jumbo jet, arriving in Rome the next day. Meals and beverages on the transatlantic flight are served on board.

**Day 2: Sunday 8/28, ROME / ORVIETO / ASSISI**

Upon our arrival in Rome, we proceed north toward Assisi. En route, we stop in **Orvieto**. In 1263 a pious German priest, Peter of Prague, stopped in Bolsena to celebrate Mass on his pilgrimage route to Rome. While a devout practicing-Catholic servant, Peter couldn't erase the skepticism he felt about Christ being present in the consecrated Host. As he uttered the words of consecration at the altar above St. Christina's tomb, blood began seeping from the consecrated host. Blood dribbled across his hands onto the altar and corporal leaving Fr. Peter quite stunned and confused. He interrupted Mass requesting to be taken immediately to the tiny neighboring city of Orvieto (just 10 miles away), where the Holy Father, Pope Urban IV, was residing. An investigation was launched and orders were given to retrieve and transport the host and blood-stained linen to the Orvieto Cathedral where they were, and still are today, reverently enshrined and exhibited. It was this miracle that prompted Pope Urban IV to commission St. Thomas Aquinas to write a special Mass for what was to become our annual Feast of Corpus Christi. We visit the **Cathedral of Orvieto** (location of the shrine) where the Eucharistic Miracle is exhibited. We visit the **Chapel of the Miracles** and the **grotto of St. Christina**. After our visit there, our journey continues. As we approach Assisi, we stop in the lower plains, taking time to explore the **Basilica of St Mary of the Angels**, built in 1569 to protect the Portiuncula. The Portiuncula is the church that St Francis and his brothers were given shortly after Pope Innocent III approved of their rule. We also see the statue of St Francis with the live white doves, the thornless rose bush and the cave where St Francis prayed in solitude. We check in at our hotel for a welcome dinner and overnight. [D]

**Day 3: Monday 8/29, ASSISI**



BASILICA OF ST FRANCIS

This morning, we will be escorted by cars to the **Church of St. Damiano**. Then, we are driven to the **Basilica of St. Clare**, which houses her incorrupt body in a crystal casket in the crypt. Off the main nave of the Basilica is the crucifix from which Christ spoke to St Francis in San Damiano. St Francis heard a voice say, "Go Francis, repair my church, which is in ruin." Thinking that God was telling him to rebuild San Damiano, Francis renounced worldly goods and began immediately to repair the building. Only later did the saint realize that God had been speaking of His living church. Then, we visit one of Christianity's most revered shrines, the **Basilica of St. Francis**, and see the frescoes depicting events in the life of this gentle saint. The **remainder of the day is free** to explore independently. Suggestions include:

► Visit Santa Maria Sopra Minerva, the fortress of Roco Maggiori, the Cathedral (Duomo) and museum, Carceri (St Francis' retreat - an arduous hike up a steep hill - taxis available) or spend time shopping for mementoes.

We gather at the hotel for a group dinner. Overnight in Assisi. [B,D]

**Day 4: Tuesday 8/30, ASSISI / LORETO / CHIETI**

We bid farewell to Assisi this morning and head northeast to Loreto, a town on the Adriatic coast. Upon our arrival, we visit the **Holy House of Nazareth** (traditional home of Jesus, Mary and Joseph) which is located inside the Basilica. According to popular legend, the house was miraculously transported from Nazareth to Croatia in 1291. Three years later the home was moved again, this time to Loreto. We also see the most reproduced Madonna in the world: The Black Madonna of Loreto. From there, we continue our journey to Chieti, near the Adriatic coastal town of Lanciano. Upon our arrival, we check in at our hotel in for dinner. Overnight in Chieti. [B,D]

**Day 5: Wednesday 8/31, CHIETI / LANCIANO / MONTE SANT'ANGELO**

The **little church of Lagontial** in Lanciano will be our first stop this morning. It was here that the 8th-century "Miracle of the Eucharist Living Flesh of Jesus" took place. During Mass, a Basilian monk doubted that Christ was truly present in the consecrated bread and wine. As he looked on, the host and wine visibly changed to flesh and blood. Scientific tests done in the latter half of the 20th century have concluded that the flesh and blood are human in origin, the flesh consisting of muscular tissue of the heart. We visit the **Sanctuary of the Eucharistic Miracle**. You have the opportunity to spend time in **eucharistic adoration**. Next, our journey today takes us southeast along the Adriatic to Monte Sant'Angelo, a town on the southern slopes of Monte Gargano. We check in at our hotel for dinner and overnight. [B,D]

**Day 6: Thursday 9/1, MONTE SANT'ANGELO / SAN GIOVANNI / MONTE SANT'ANGELO**



PADRE PIO

Today will be spent in San Giovanni, the former home of Padre Pio, a Capuchin monk and stigmatist with a reputation for holiness. He was canonized in June 2002 by Pope John Paul II. We visit the **Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie** (Our Lady of Grace), where we are able to see the cell and tomb of this saint. We are also able to view the confessional where he spent innumerable hours with a multitude of pilgrims, directing them on their journey toward God. We have **free time** to explore independently. We return to Monte Sant'Angelo for dinner and overnight. [B,D]

**Day 7: Friday 9/2, MONTE SANT'ANGELO / MONTE-CASSINO / ROME**

The view from Monte Sant'Angelo is magnificent, offering a spectacular **panorama of the Gargano Peninsula**. We visit the **Grotto of St. Michael the Archangel**. Six different popes, St. Francis, and at least four other saints have knelt in prayer at this grotto where St. Michael appeared in the 4th century. This is the only building of worship in the Roman Catholic Church not consecrated by humans; it was consecrated by St. Michael himself. En route to Rome, we stop in Cassino to visit the **Abbey of Montecassino**. In 529 AD, St Benedict founded the monastery which makes it one of Europe's oldest. The monastery was built and destroyed on four occasions between 577 and 1944. Today, the Abbey, a replica of the previous 17th-century structure, is an active monastery. After our tour of the Abbey, we complete the journey to Rome. We check in at our hotel for dinner and overnight. [B,D]

**Day 8: Saturday 9/3, ROME**

Good morning, Rome! Our day begins at the **Basilica of St John's Lateran**, the cathedral church of the Pope. This church was originally built by Constantine when he ended the Christian persecutions. Here we see the altar that holds the relics of Sts. Peter and Paul. Next to the basilica is the baptistery and across the street is the **Sancta Scala** - Holy Stairs, which were transported from Pilate's palace in Jerusalem and on which the Savior climbed before His crucifixion. Those who wish to pray each step on their knees may do so. The option to take the side stairs on foot is also available. Then, we stop at the **Basilica of St Mary Major**, a beautiful Marian church. Inside the basilica we view relics of Jesus' manger from Bethlehem. This afternoon, enjoy some **free time** to visit the sites of your choice. Suggestions include:

Tourist favorites:

► Spanish Steps where designer boutiques line the adjacent streets; The Pantheon; or Trevi Fountain, where you can toss a coin in the famous fountain, which as legend says will assure your return to Rome. Tours of the Colosseum and/or Roman Forum are available. Do a bit of shopping as souvenir shops are everywhere.

Churches:

► Rome is full of beautiful holy places. Visit any of the many... Church of Santa Susanna, Santi Giovanni e Paolo, San Pietro in Vincoli, Basilica of San Chrysogono; Church of Sts. Cosmas and Damian; Church of St. Alphonsus; Basilica of Santa Croce, etc.

This evening, join friends or enjoy a private sampling of authentic Italian cuisine at the trattoria (local diner) or restaurant of your choice as **dinner is on your own**. Overnight in Rome. [B]

**Day 9: Sunday 9/4, ROME (CANONIZATION)**

We have the rare privilege of being present this morning as Pope Francis celebrates Mass and canonizes Blessed Teresa of Calcutta.



MOTHER TERESA

A daughter to Catholic, Albanian parents in Macedonia, she was born and baptized Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu in 1910. When only eight, she lost her father to a sudden illness, rumored to be the result of poisoning by malicious political adversaries. The despair over losing her father drove her into an extraordinarily connected relationship with her pious, deeply compassionate mother. Agnes was raised to understand, appreciate, and commit to charitable giving. Regardless of circumstance, her mother taught her that seats around their dinner table were always open to those who hungered. "My child, never eat a single mouthful unless you are sharing it with others," her mother would continually teach. At 12, Agnes experienced her first calling to religious life and at 18, she solidified that calling by joining the Sisters of Loreto in Dublin, Ireland. Inspired by Saint Therese of Lisieux, Agnes took the name Sister Mary Teresa. The novitiate period took her to India where she made her first Profession of Vows. Assigned to Calcutta to teach geography and history to girls from the poorest Bengali families, Sister Mary Teresa connected with her students by learning their languages fluently (Bengali and Hindi). Her mission was to use education to combat poverty. In 1937 (age 27), Sister Mary Teresa took her Final Profession of Vows, accepting the Loreto order's customs...the title of "Mother" and the promise to live a chaste life of poverty and obedience. Mother Teresa founded the Order of the Missionaries of Charity, a Roman Catholic congregation of women loyal to assisting the poor. In 1946 (age 36), she opened her heart to accept the "call within a call" to care for the sick and poor. Her order opened a safe haven for lepers and also hospice to care for the blind, aged,



and disabled. Mother Teresa's humanitarian work was acknowledged in 1979 when she was awarded the prestigious Nobel Peace Prize. In 1997, the world suffered a profound loss when God called home his faithful and humble servant. Mother Teresa was beatified in 2003, just six years after her passing.

Upon the conclusion of the Canonization, we will remain in St. Peter's Square for the Papal Angelus before being transported back to the hotel for a group dinner. Some may opt to stay for a free afternoon in the area near the Vatican or may visit other venues. Those opting to tour on their own will be responsible for their own transportation to the hotel for dinner. Overnight in Rome. **[B,D]**



BASILICA OF ST. PETER



ST PAUL OUTSIDE THE WALLS

**Day 10: Monday 9/5, ROME**

Our first stop today will be a **guided tour of St Peter's Basilica**. The Basilica is very impressive with its imposing architecture, rich ornamentation, and marvelous works of art. We view one of Rome's most recognized works of art, Michelangelo's Pietà. From there, we visit the **Vatican Museum**, and the **Sistine Chapel** where Michelangelo's restored masterpieces adorn the ceilings and walls. We will spend some time in the Vatican area before we proceed to the beautiful **Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls** which houses the remains of St. Paul under the main altar. We visit the **catcombs**. Our day concludes as we enjoy a farewell dinner and wine at **Ristorante da Benito**. Overnight in Rome. **[B,D]**

**Day 11: Tuesday, September 6, 2016, ROME / USA**

We bid farewell to Italia today as we begin our journey back to the U.S. We arrive home blessed abundantly by the history that was brought to life and by spiritual graces we received as we explored our Catholic heritage. **[B]**

**To Register:**

**Complete the Registration Form and mail your deposit to Pentecost Tours**



**Or, call (800) 713-9800 and pay your deposit over the phone with a credit card.**

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**Notes:** ❶ Passports can take 3 months or more to process (from application to delivery). ❷ Ave. temps 62-81°F



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