

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS / TOUR CONTRACT

**TOUR PRICE:** Based on tariffs and currency exchange rates in effect on 2/13/2023 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 \$109 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:** Eight full hot breakfasts and seven 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. - \$459); ②: tips to guides, drivers and meal servers (est. - \$15 per day); and ③: optional travel protection. A travel protection flyer will be provided with more information. Also not included: airline baggage fees, luggage handlers, 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. 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. An additional \$1,000 is due on 5/26/23 with the **balance to be paid in full no later than 6/23/2023.** Payment of remaining balance received after 6/23/2023 will incur a \$50 penalty and/or a delay in your final travel documents. Reservations made within 92 days of departure may be subject to a late charge.

▶ [PENALTY PHASE ONE] In the event of cancellation, refund will be made up to 5/26/2023 with a \$500 administrative fee plus any airline cancellation penalties.
▶ [PENALTY PHASE TWO] From 5/26/2023 to 6/23/2023 the cancellation penalty is \$1,500 plus any airline cancellation penaltics.

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Credit card processing fees are non-refundable. 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 Pastscart Tours Inc. celled by Pentecost Tours, Inc., you are entitled to a full refund.

automatically advances into the next penalty level or the current level, whichever is greater. Once the change request/alteration is made, those arrangements are final and can NOT be changed back to the group arrangement.

AIR TRANSPORTATION: Round trip Chicago/Rome and Rome/Chicago on economy class jet via American 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 air/tour cancellation is effected by passenger after 6/23/2023, 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 without notice.

**TRAVEL PROTECTION:** Travel Protection is NOT included in the tour price. We suggest that all participants purchase a plan to help protect you and your trip investment. Plans can provide benefits such as Trip Cancellation, Trip Interruption, Emergency Medical and Emergency Evacuation/Repatriation, Trip Delay, Baggage Delay and more. You will be mailed a travel protection flyer along with an enrollment and waiver form. Full terms and details of a travel insurance plan, including limitations and exclusions can be found in the travel insurance plan policy or description for coverage. Please note that Medicare does not provide coverage outside of the United States. Check with your own insurance provider to determine whether or not you are covered outside of the U.S.

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. American 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.

**TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS:** Note: Currently there are no restrictions. However, depending on and in response to world health initiatives, countries/airlines could at any time without advance notice implement travel requirements. The responsibility of compliance falls on each passenger. Pentecost Tours is exempt from any responsibility. Passengers must have a valid, working

**MISCELLANEOUS FEES:** All changes must be in writing and may incur a per-person charge for each revision. Deposits received within 92 days of departure may incur a late registration fee.

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

**ERRORS:** The Pentecost Tours staff does its best to provide you with accurate billing, brochures, etc. However, in the event of computer error, verbal or written human errors, we reserve the right to invoice, re-invoice, or forward corrected materials.

Tour 30923

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## MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED DAILY [B] BREAKFAST / [D] DINNER

Day 1: Saturday, September 23, 2023 - USA / ROME Tour members are welcomed at an international airport for the overnight flight to Rome via wide body aircraft, arriving the next morning. Meals are served on board.

Day 2: Sunday 9/24, ROME

We arrive early in Rome this morning. We visit San Clemente to tour the 3-tiered church which was built in honor of the fourth Pope. Then, we enjoy an **optional** walking tour to see Piazza Navona (where local arti-sans display and sell their craft) and the **Trevi Fountain** (where you can toss a coin in the famous fountain which legend says will assure your return to Rome). Dinner and overnight at the hotel in Rome. [D]

Day 3: Monday 9/25, ROME





Today we proceed to St. John Lateran, the Cathedral church of the Pope. This church was originally built 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 Scalia - Holy Stairs, which were transported from Pilate's palace were 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, nearby we visit **St. Mary Major**, where inside the Basilica we view relics of Jesus' manger from Bethlehem. Next, we head **to Trastevere**. Between 1593 and 1610, the beautiful church of Santa Maria della Scala was built to celebrate a miracle, the miraculous icon of the Madonna. According to tradition, a mother of a deformed child felt compelled to place the icon on the landing of her staircase to serve as a reminder of her unwavering faith and commitment to constant prayer for her son's healing. The icon, now consecrated to the Blessed Mother, is enshrined within **Santa Maria della Scala** in Trastevere. In the mid-1800s, the church served as a hospital for Garibaldi's soldiers during the Roman Republic's resistance to French forces. Santa Cecilia in Trastavere, is built over the home of St. Cecilia who was martyred in the 3rd century. In 1599 her incorrupt body was discovered complete with the deep axe cuts in her neck. Beneath the altar is a statue of the popular Roman saint which depicts the way it was found. From alleyways and cobblestone streets to magnificent churches and interesting piazzas, Trastevere is considered one of Rome's most charming and popular neighborhoods. We enjoy free time to wander about exploring Trastevere. This evening, we will dine at a local restaurant. Overnight at the hotel in Rome. [B,D]

## Day 4: Tuesday 9/26, ROME



A guided tour of the Basilica of St. Peter is where we begin today. Inside the băsilica, we view one of Rome's most recognized works of art, Michelangelo's Pietá and we visit the tombs of our newest saints, Pope St. John Paul II and Pope St.

John XXIII. Then, we visit the Vatican Museum and the Sistine Chapel where Michelangelo's restored masterpieces adorn the ceilings and walls. The remainder of the day is free to explore on your own. Suggestions include:

- Just outside the basilica is the Vatican Post Office. Feel free to stop in and purchase postcards and stamps to send to family and friends (bring the addresses). Send one to yourself as a keepsake! Remember, although Vatican City is located with the city limits of Rome it is, in fact, its own state. With 110 acres and fewer than 900 residents, Vatican City State boasts the title of the smallest, international state that is recognized by the rest of the world. Therefore, the stamps will be quite unique. Interesting gifts can also be purchased inside the post office. (Very crowded on day of Papal Audience)
- Adjacent to St. Peter's Square are shops and restaurants. Spend time browsing through the shops. Purchase religious items you wish to take with you
- tomorrow to the Papal Audience to be blessed. The 312-step climb to the "cupola" Dome of St. Peter's Basilica is worth the effort and energy as views from the top are magnificent. An elevator/lift to the roof level is available but from the roof to the top is step by step. There is a nominal fee.
- Spend time at any of the many churches in Rome: the ancient Basilica church of Santi Giovanni e Paolo (referred to as Sts John and Paul), Santa Maria Sopra Minerva, San Pietro in Vincoli (St Peter in Chains, etc.
- Giolitti's on Via Uffici del Vicario has excellent gelato if a scoop or two appeals to your sweet tooth.

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

## Day 5: Wednesday 9/27, ROME

This morning, we attend the Papal Audience with Our Holy Father, Pope Francis (provided he is home). We listen to the words of His Holiness and receive his blessing with pilgrims from all over the world. After the audience, we enjoy an orientation tour of the city and then a mini tour of Ancient Rome. We proceed to the Coliseum for spectacular views of the outside. This evening we proceed to Sant' Andrea della Valle for Holy Hour which will be followed by dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight in Rome. [B,D]





Day 6: Thursday 9/28, ROME (ORDINATION)



Our day will be focused on the Diaconal Ordination of Zachary Galante The Ordination Mass will begin at 11:00 am at the Basilica of St. Peter. Guests are invited to walk to North American College for a reception by the grove of orange trees. The after**noon** is free to explore the city. This evening, we gather for a celebratory dinner at a Roman restaurant. [B,D]

# Day 7: Friday 9/29, ROME / ORVIETO / ASSISI This morning at 9:00 am

Deacon Galante will preach his first Mass of Thanksgiving at the Basilica of St Paul Outside the Walls, an im-pressive church which houses the remains of St. Paul under the main altar. After Mass, he will lead a **brief tour** of the Basilica before we depart for Orvieto. Upon our arrival in Orvieto, we'break for leisurely



ST PAUL **OUTSIDE THE WALLS** 

pranzo. In 1263 a pious German priest, Peter of Prague, pranzo. 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 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 depart Orvieto and make our way to Assisi to check in for dinner and overnight. [B,D]



Day 8: Saturday 9/30, ASSISI / SIENA / ASSISI Today, we take a daytrip to the walled-city of Siena. We visit the Duomo, a remarkable example of Italian Gothic architecture. Inside we find a treasure of sculptures and paintings, the work of some of Italy's most celebrated artists. We visit the Shrine of St. Catherine. Then, we enjoy some time in one of the most charming town squares in all of Italy, the medieval **Piazza del Campo** (known by locals as "il Campo"). The fan shaped Piazza is home to the barebacked horse race, known as

the Palio, and many other important events. On our return to Assisi, we stop in the lower plains to visit the beautiful Basilica of St Mary of the Angels, which was built in 1569 to protect the Portiuncula, the church that St Francis and his broth-



that St Francis and his brothers were given after Pope St Mary Of the Angels Innocent III approved their rule. We also see the statue of St Francis with live white doves, the thorn-less rose bushes and the cave where St Francis prayed in solitude. Next, 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. We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. night. [B,D]

Day 9: Sunday 10/1, ASSISI Exploring Assisi today will include being escorted by cars to the church of San Damiano and the Basilica of St Clare, which houses her incorrupt body in a crystal caskét in the crypt. Off the main nave of the cifix 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 build-



Basilica is the cru- ▲ BASILICA OF ST. FRANCIS  $\blacksquare$ BASILICA OF ST. CLARE



ing. Only later did the saint realize that God had been speaking of His living Church. There will be **free time to explore independently**. Suggestions include:

- Visit Santa Maria Sopra Minerva, the "underground" ruins of Assisi, the fortress of Roco Maggiori, the Cathedral (Duomo) and it's museum, and/or Carceri (St Francis' retreat - an arduous hike up a steep hill taxis available).
- Spend some time shopping for special mementoes.

We gather at the hotel this evening for a **farewell din**ner. Overnight in Assisi. [B,D]

Day 10: Monday, October 2, 2023, ASSISI / ROME / USA Arrivederci Italia! Today we begin our journey back to the United States. We return home mesmerized by the grandeur of God's beautiful landscape, awed by the treasure trove of new memories, and inspired by the spiritual example of the saints. [B]

## To Register:

Complete the Registration Form and mail your deposit to Pentecost Tours



Or, call (800) 713-9800 or (812) 933-0730 to pay your deposit over the phone with a credit card.

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Average high and low temperatures to expect: 62-81°F

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## **REGISTRATION FORM**

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