

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY AND SICILY

UNDER SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE OF FR. DEYRE AZCUNA

Oct 18 - 31, 2024 14 days CA\$5,190 (taxes & tips included) for Toronto departure

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Day 1 Oct 18 Depart Toronto for Rome.

Day 2 Oct 19 Upon arrival, travel to Pompeii area for dinner and overnight.

Day 3 Oct 20 Morning, visit the ruins at **Pompeii**. Mass at the Rosary Shrine in Pompeii. Then, follow the winding roads, making a quick stop to view the breathtaking panoramic view of Positano. Continue through Praiano where you will drive by St. Gennaro Church. Dinner and overnight.

Day 4 Oct 21 After breakfast, travel to **Mt. Gargano**, Italy, visit The Sanctuary of Saint Michael the Archangel. Dinner and overnight in San Giovanni Rotonda.

Day 5 Oct 22 Morning, visit The Church-Shrine of Saint Mary of Graces and the Convent of Saint Padre Pio of Pietrelcina. Dinner and overnight in **San Giovanni Rotonda**.

Day 6 Oct 23 After breakfast, transfer to Naples. If timing permits, short city tour in Naples before we transfer to the airport in Naples for our flight to Sicily. Upon arrival in Catania airport, transfer to our hotel in Taormina for dinner and overnight.

Day 7 Oct 24 This morning we'll tour **Taormina's** remarkably situated ancient Greek theater. In the afternoon, you will have free time to enjoy the sights, sounds and aromas of this beautiful cliffside old-world town. Dinner and overnight at Taormina.

Day 8 Oct 25 Depart Taormina and travel to **Siracusa**. Visit this place which illustrates the ancient history of the Mediterranean and Europe. Its vast archeological site, on the edge of the modern city, is a rare treasure of temples, amphitheaters, and an ancient castle. Located near the southeastern corner of Sicily on the Ionian coast, Siracusa is built on an ancient Greek settlement founded by Corinthians in 734. We'll continue on to **Agrigento** for dinner and overnight. (Our tour of Agrigento may occur this afternoon or tomorrow morning.)

Day 9 Oct 26 This morning we'll enjoy the ruins of Agrigento, one of the richest of the Greek colonies and a thriving democracy 2,500 years ago. We'll focus on Agrigento's "Valley of the Temples" - the largest, best preserved collection of ancient Greek buildings outside of Greece itself. We'll depart Agrigento and travel to Palermo. One the way we'll make a stop in **Menfi**, located slightly back from the Sicilian coast. The landscape in this area is particularly breathtaking: large areas of grass and corn fields but also vineyards. Visit the ancient town and continue to **Palermo** for dinner and overnight.

Day 10 Oct 27 After breakfast, spend a day exploring the best of Palermo. We'll tour through Palermo's colorful and bustling Ballaro street market - all spiced with an evocative whiff of Africa. See the top attractions in the old town of the Sicilian capital of Palermo, including the Teatro Massimo, Cathedral, and Politeama Theater.

Day 11 Oct 28 Morning, drive to the hill-topping town of **Monreale**, renowned for its Arab-flavored cathedral, blending Byzantine, Arab, Jewish, Gothic, and Norman traditions, heritage, and art. We'll tour the cathedral's interior of glittering, golden mosaics as well as the story-telling columns of the cloister. Late afternoon, fly to Rome.

Day 12 Oct 29 After breakfast, visit the **Vatican** Museum & Sistine Chapel, continue with St. Peter's Basilica. After lunch, visit two major basilicas - St. Mary Major, St John in Lateran Basilica, the oldest of the four major basilicas of **Rome**, home to the relics of Peter and Paul. Crossing the street we come to the Holy Staircase which is believed to be brought to Rome by St. Helen in the 4th Century (photo stop only). Dinner and overnight in Rome.

Day 13 Oct 30 Morning, transfer to the Vatican, hopefully, the group will have a chance to join the general audience with Pope Francis. We should have a chance for photo stop at Colosseum (picture taking from outside only, no entrance) if timing permits. We will have a lunch break at Trevi Fountain area, where we toss the three coins, then photo stop at Spanish Steps. Afternoon, we visit St Paul Outside the Walls where we will have mass. Dinner and overnight in Rome.

Day 14 Oct 31 Early morning transfer to airport in Rome and flight back to Toronto.



TOUR COST CA\$5,190.00 INCLUDES:

- air transportation – hotel accommodation first class or superior tourist class based on double occupancy
- 2 meals daily breakfast and dinner.
- all sightseeing as per itinerary with English speaking guide
- all tips in restaurants and hotels.
- airport taxes, tips to bus driver & guides, city taxes in Italy

-NOT INCLUDED

-Single Supplement \$800
meals not specified, insurance, documentation.

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