

Cathedral Basilica Pilgrimage to Italy With Monsignor Henry Breier

October 12 - 24, 2025

Florence ✚ Assisi ✚ Sienna ✚ St. Clare ✚ Papal Audience
Basilica of St. Francis ✚ Orvieto ✚ The Vatican
Crypt Mass in the Basilica of St. Peter ✚ St. Paul Outside the Wall
The Colosseum ✚ Rome ✚ Papal Audience ✚ St. Catherine
Basilica of St. Peter ✚ Sistine Chapel ✚ The Pantheon
Jubilee Year 2025 ✚ Basilica of St. John Lateran ✚ St Mary Major
Santa Croce in Gerusalemme ✚ San Clemente
Catacombs of St. Callixtus ✚ Venice



B = breakfast L = Lunch D = dinner

Sunday, October 12th: Depart from our home city to board an overnight flight to Venice. Dinner and breakfast will be served aboard. **D (Dinner) & B (Breakfast)**



Monday, October 13th: Arrive in Venice this morning and transfer by motorcoach to the entrance of this unique city. Today we will embark on a half-day excursion in Venice, known as the “Queen of the Adriatic.” This city is built on over 100 islets, supported by millions of wooden stakes, and connected by 400 bridges. We will enjoy a walking tour, including the **Doge’s Palace**, once the residence of the Venetian ruler and the center of government. We will walk across the famous **Bridge of Sighs**, where convicted prisoners had their last view of freedom. After a light lunch, we will visit the **Cathedral of St. Mark**, renowned for its stunning mosaics. Here, we will celebrate our opening **Mass of the pilgrimage**, followed by a tour of the cathedral. Later, we will transfer to our hotel for dinner and a restful overnight stay.

B & D Venice



Tuesday, October 14th: After a leisurely morning, we will visit **Santa Maria della Salute**, a Minor Basilica known for its iconic dome, visible throughout Venice. Built in 1631 to commemorate the end of the plague, it is dedicated to Our Lady of Health. **Here, we have Mass.** Lunch will be at your leisure. In the afternoon, we will take a **scenic water taxi ride through Venice’s canals**, visiting the islands of **Murano, Burano, and Torcello**. We will also tour the **Colleoni Vetreria Artistica (Murano glass factory)**. The rest of the day is free for exploration. For dinner, we will enjoy a meal with wine at a lovely Venetian restaurant before returning to our hotel for the night.

B & D Venice



Wednesday, October 15th: After breakfast, we will travel to **Padua** to venerate the relics of **St. Anthony at the Basilica dedicated to him, where we will also celebrate Mass.** St. Anthony, originally from Portugal, came to Italy to follow St. Francis and became a renowned preacher. We will also explore the **Prato della Valle**, Italy’s largest square, known for its beauty, especially at night. Lunch will be at your leisure. In the afternoon, we will visit the **Arena (Scrovegni) Chapel to admire Giotto’s frescoes** depicting the lives of the Virgin Mary and Christ. We will end our day at the **Basilica di Santa Giustina**, home to the tombs of several saints, including **St. Luke and St. Matthias**. We will then check into our hotel in **Ravenna**, where dinner will be served.

B & D Ravenna



Thursday, October 16th: After breakfast, we will tour **Ravenna**, famous for its Byzantine churches and exquisite mosaics. **Our Mass will be celebrated at the Cattedrale della di Nostro Signore Gesù Cristo**, showcasing the city’s renowned mosaics. We will also visit the **Basilica of San Vitale**, the inspiration for the Basilica in St. Louis. After some free time for lunch, we will head west into **Tuscany**, a region known for its rolling landscapes, vineyards, and charming villages. Our first stop will be at **Castello del Trebbio**, where we’ll explore both the medieval castle and its cellars, famous for the Pazzi conspiracy. The visit will end with a wine tasting paired with lunch. Later, we will pass through **Florence** and head to our **Tuscan villa, Borgo San Luigi**, for dinner and overnight rest.

B & D Borgo San Luigi



Friday, October 17th: This morning, we will visit **Florence’s Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore** and the renowned bronze Baptistry doors, known as the “Gates of Paradise.” **We will celebrate Mass in the Duomo**, followed by a tour of the **Piazza della Signoria**, the **Loggia**, and the **Church of Santa Croce**, home to the tombs of famous individuals. We will also take in a stunning view of Florence from **Piazzale Michelangelo** and visit the **Academy of Fine Arts to see Michelangelo’s sculpture of David**. The rest of the day is free for shopping or exploring. Dinner will be enjoyed at a local restaurant in Florence.

B & D Borgo San Luigi



Saturday, October 18th: This morning, we will visit **Siena**, a medieval town famous for its connection to **St. Catherine, a Doctor of the Church**. Our walking tour will take us to the **Piazza del Campo and the Gothic Cathedral, where we will visit the Chapel of St. Catherine and celebrate Mass**. In the afternoon, we will travel south to **Montepulciano**, known for its excellent wines. We will visit one of Montepulciano top wineries, where we'll tour the facilities and taste a variety of wines. We'll also visit an organic winery for a tour and light lunch with wine tastings. Afterward, we will return to our villa for dinner.

B & D Borgo San Luigi



Sunday, October 19th: After breakfast, we will **celebrate Mass at the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi**, followed by a tour of the **Basilica's magnificent frescoes by Giotto**. We will also visit the **Basilica of St. Clare**, where we'll see her tomb and venerate the Crucifix that spoke to St. Francis. Our final stop is with **Blessed Carlo Acutis soon to be Saint Carlo**. Lunch will be in Assisi before continuing south to Rome, where we will check into our hotel and enjoy dinner together.

B, L & D Rome



Monday, October 20th: We begin our day with a visit to the **Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls**, a majestic structure built upon the burial site of St. Paul, one of Christianity's most revered apostles. **Here, we will celebrate Mass**, reflecting on the significance of this sacred place. Afterward, we head to the **Catacombs of St. Callixtus**, where the early Christian martyrs and faithful were laid to rest. As we walk through these ancient underground chambers, we will reflect on the enduring foundations of our Faith, made real by the sacrifices of those who came before us. Following this, you'll have free time to enjoy lunch on your own, perhaps sampling some traditional Roman cuisine. In the afternoon, we embark on a **walking tour of Ancient Rome**, where we will marvel at the iconic ruins that once marked the heart of the Roman Empire. The **Arch of Constantine, the Roman Forum, and the majestic Palatine Hill**—once home to emperors—will come to life as we delve into the rich history of the Eternal City. We will also visit the **Colosseum**, the awe-inspiring amphitheater where gladiators once fought, and the **Circus Maximus**, the ancient chariot racing stadium. Afterward, the rest of the afternoon will be free for you to explore at your own pace, soaking in the timeless atmosphere of Rome. Our evening ends with a delightful dinner at a local restaurant outside the hotel.

B & D Rome

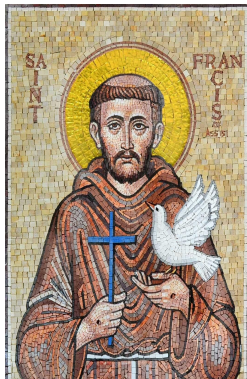


Tuesday, October 21st: Our day begins with **Mass at the Basilica of St. Peter in Vatican City**, a spiritual experience in one of the most revered places in Christianity. After Mass, we will embark on a guided tour of the **Vatican Museums**, home to some of the world's most treasured art. We will stand in awe as we enter the **Sistine Chapel, Michelangelo's masterpiece**, where the ceiling frescoes tell stories from the Bible. The tour concludes with a visit to St. Peter's Basilica, a work of architectural brilliance and the spiritual heart of the Catholic Church. In the afternoon, you will have free time to further explore Rome at your leisure. Perhaps visit one of the many shops selling religious articles, or take the opportunity to climb to the top of St. Peter's Dome, where a panoramic view of the Vatican and the Eternal City awaits. The evening is free for you to enjoy a delicious dinner on your own.

B Rome



Wednesday, October 22nd: This morning, we are privileged to attend the **Papal Audience in St. Peter's Square**, where, if Pope Francis is in Rome, we will have the opportunity to receive his blessing. Afterward, we will head to the **Mamertine Prison, where Sts. Peter and Paul** were once imprisoned. The solemnity of this site will invite us to reflect on the trials faced by these saints in their dedication to Christ. Our next stop is the **Church of the Gesù**, the birthplace of the Jesuit Order, and a powerful symbol of the Catholic Counter-Reformation. We will celebrate Mass here, then continue to the **Pantheon**, a marvel of ancient architecture, originally built as a temple in 126 AD, now serving as a Catholic church. In the afternoon, we will stroll to the **Spanish Steps**, a



landmark in Rome, before visiting the Holy Trinity Church. Our day concludes with a delightful dinner at a local restaurant. **B & D Rome**

Thursday, October 23rd: Our day begins with **Mass at the Basilica of St. Mary Major**, one of the four major basilicas of Rome. Here, we will visit the **Chapel of the Manger**, where the sacred relic of the crib where Jesus was laid is kept. We will then travel to the **Church of St. Alphonsus**, home to the renowned icon of **Our Lady of Perpetual Help**, a beloved image of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Next, we visit the **Basilica of St. Clement**, which is built over the remains of an ancient Roman house and features remarkable Christian and pagan ruins. Our tour continues to the **Basilica of St. John Lateran**, the **Cathedral of Rome**, where we will be inspired by its richly adorned interior. After a light lunch on your own, the afternoon is yours to explore further or enjoy some shopping. In the evening, we gather for a farewell dinner, reflecting on the spiritual and cultural experiences we have shared throughout our journey. **B & D Rome**

Friday, October 24th:

After a hearty breakfast, our driver will transfer us to Leonardo Da Vinci Airport in time for our flight back to the United States. As we depart, we carry with us the memories of an unforgettable pilgrimage to the Eternal City. **B**



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