



PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY & MEDJUGORJE

26 APRIL – 10 MAY 2027

Marian & Franciscan Holy Places in Italy & Medjugorje

Let us take you to the most holy places in Italy and Medjugorje.

Our spiritual journey starts in Italy, where we visit the Holy City, Rome - St Peter's Basilica, the Basilicas of St John in Lateran, St Mary Major and St Paul Outside the Walls and the Holy Steps. Our journey then takes us to visit Orvieto Cathedral dedicated to the Assumption of the Virgin Mary. We then travel north to Assisi where we visit the birthplace of St Francis and St Clare and a visit to the tomb of St Carlo Acutis. We then visit Padua to visit the Basilica dedicated to St Anthony.

We make our way along the Adriatic coast to Medjugorje and spend 2 days in spiritual reflection.

Our journey would not be complete without visiting Loreto and the Holy House followed by San Giovanni Rotondo and the tomb of Padre Pio along with the grotto of St Michael the Archangel on the Gargano Peninsula. Our final stop is in Montecassino to visit the Benedictine Abbey before return to Rome. This group will be fully escorted.

Don't miss out on this extraordinary tour and book by 15 November 2026. For tour inclusions, see over the page.

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15 day tour includes
airfares, accommodation,
coach transport, all entrance
fees and all taxes.

3* accommodation including
breakfast and dinner daily as
per itinerary.

Travel in a deluxe coach
with local tour guides. Fully
escorted from Sydney.

Price: \$7,995* per
person twin share
(\$1,500 single room
supplement)

Deposit \$2,500 by 15
November 2026. Final
payment by
30 January 2027

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TOUR INCLUSIONS

HIGHLIGHTS

- 3 nights in Rome
- 2 nights in Assisi
- 1 night Padua
- 1 night in Monfalcone/Trieste
- 2 nights in Medjugorje
- Overnight ferry crossing from Split to Ancona
- 2 nights in San Giovanni Rotondo
- 1 night in Rome (end of tour)

FLIGHTS

- **International airfares (economy class) are included** in the package price and are based on travel from Sydney on 26 April and return from Rome on 10 May. Flights outside of these dates may incur additional charges.

ACCOMMODATION, DINING & TRANSPORT

- 3* hotel accommodation dedicated for pilgrims with breakfast and dinner daily.
- Touring in deluxe coach.
- Local tour guides as per itinerary.
- Entrance fees as per itinerary.
- **Tips and city taxes are included.**

EXCLUSIONS:

- Lunches throughout and drinks at dinner.
- Items of a personal nature.
- Travel Insurance.
- Porterage.
- Anything not stated in the inclusions.

TOUR COST: \$7,995* per person twin share. An additional \$1,500 for a single room supplement

- No refund for any unused portions of the itinerary.
- Prices are based per person in twin share.
- Prices could be subject to change when confirmation of airline seats and hotel/land components are received.

**** Package price is based on minimum 35 paying adults. If numbers fall below this, tour cost may increase or the tour maybe cancelled. Bookings after 15 November 2027 may incur an additional surcharge.***

TERMS & CONDITIONS

A deposit of \$2,500 per person is required by 15 November 2027. (Please note financial institution surcharges apply if paying by credit card).

You will also need to:

- **Provide a photocopy of your passport** (for each passenger) at the time of booking.
- Progress payments can be made. **Final payment due 30 January 2027.**
- **Current passport** with 6 month validity from date of return is required. No responsibility is taken for refusal of entry into Europe due to non-disclosure of any conviction or breach of law. Visa and passport validity are the full responsibility of the traveler.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

City Tax - This is a tax introduced by regional and local councils in Europe and is charged to tourists. **This tax is included in the package price.**

Tips (Gratuities) - **Tips are included** in the tour price for services of the driver and various guides throughout the tour.

Luggage - You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on the tour. With regards to luggage, you will need to carry your own luggage from the coach to the hotel room and back to the coach. The driver will assist with the loading and unloading of luggage from the coach.

Health & Medical considerations - You will be responsible for identifying and securing any medical related documents for your travel from your doctor/health practitioner. It is highly recommended that you be medically and physically healthy and capable of walking. If you require special assistance, please discuss this with Paramount Travel before booking the tour as you may have to bring along a companion to assist you.

TOUR ITINERARY

Day 1, Mon 26 Apr 2027 – DEPART SYDNEY

Flight Sydney to Rome.

Day 2, Tues 27 Apr 2027 – ROME

(D) Arrival at Rome airport and transfer to hotel.

Dinner and overnight in Rome.

Day 3, Wed 28 Apr 2027 – ROME

(B,D) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Today we attend the Papal Audience (scheduled every Wednesday pending the schedule of Pope Leo XIV) then we visit (with local guide) St. Peter's Square and Basilica where the crypts and tombs of Saints and Popes are found. Then, in the afternoon, we will visit (with local guide) St. Mary Major's Basilica and pay our respects at the tomb of the late Pope. Dinner and overnight in Rome

Day 4, Thurs 29 Apr 2027 – ROME

Buffet breakfast at the hotel then we visit (with local guide) St John in Lateran and the Holy Stairs. In the afternoon, we visit the church of St Paul Outside the Walls. Dinner and overnight in Rome.

Day 5, Fri 30 Apr 2027 – ROME – ORVIETO – ASSISI

(B,D) Buffet breakfast at the hotel. We stop in Orvieto to visit (with local guide) the Orvieto Cathedral - a large 14th-century cathedral dedicated to the Assumption of the Virgin Mary. We arrive in Assisi. Afternoon free time. Dinner and overnight in Assisi.

Day 6, Sat 1 May 2027 - ASSISI

(B,D) Buffet breakfast at the hotel. Today we visit Assisi (with local guide) - the home of the Saint that inspired our late Holy Father. Pope Francis chose his name in admiration of the Saint of Nature and Servant to the Poor. With our local guide, we visit the tomb of St Francis.

Explore the hilltop birthplace of St Francis that still retains something of the atmosphere of the early 1200s, the period when St Francis began his ministry. Contained within the huge 13th-century Basilica are many of the saint's possessions and a

series of frescoes depicting his life. You may kneel before the crucifix from which Jesus spoke to St Francis, asking him to rebuild His church.

You will have some free time to stop for lunch. We then go to the Church of St. Clare to view the relics of St. Clare. The foundress of the Order of Poor Clares followed the teachings of St Francis by living a life of poverty and humility.

In the afternoon, we visit the tomb of St. Carlo Acutis is located inside the Sanctuary of the Renunciation (Church of Santa Maria Maggiore) in Assisi, Italy. His well-visited glass-front tomb allows pilgrims to view his preserved body, dressed in casual modern clothing like jeans and trainers. Dinner and overnight in Assisi.

Day 7, Sun 2 May 2027 – ASSISI - PADUA

(B,D) Buffet breakfast at the hotel. In the morning, we visit the Basilica of Santa Maria Degli Angeli where the Portiuncula is located. It is here that St Francis understood his vocation and renounced the world in order to live in poverty among the poor, and thus started the Franciscan movement. Then, we travel to Padua. Dinner and overnight in Padua.

Day 8, Mon 3 May 2027 – PADUA - MONFALCONE/TRIESTE

(B,D) Buffet breakfast at the hotel. In the morning, we visit the basilica of St Anthony. We then travel to Monfalcone/Trieste. Free time in the afternoon. Dinner and overnight in Monfalcone/Trieste.

Day 9, Tues 4 May 2027 MONFALCONE/TRIESTE - MEDJUGORJE

(B,D) Buffet breakfast at the hotel and we start our trip along the Croatian coast admiring the wonderful landscape and blue waters of the Adriatic Sea on our way to Medjugorje. Late arrival. Dinner and overnight in Medjugorje.

Day 10, Wed 5 May 2027 – MEDJUGORJE

(B,D) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Today we visit, with our local guide from the Sanctuary, Mt Podbrdo (Hill of Apparitions). We also have an opportunity to meet the Cenacolo community. Free time for prayers and Mass. Dinner and overnight in Medjugorje.

Day 11 Thurs 6 May 2027 – MEDJUGORJE - SPLIT

(B,D) Buffet breakfast at the hotel. Free time in the morning before we travel to Split to catch the overnight ferry for Ancona. Dinner on-board and overnight in a private cabin with ensuite.

Day 12 Fri 7 May 2027 – ANCONA – LORETO – SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO

(B,D) Buffet breakfast on-board. Arrive in Ancona and continue on to the great Marian shrine of Loreto to visit the Holy House of Nazareth and the beautiful Madonna of Loreto. The Holy House is said to have been transported by angels to this hill in central Italy in 1294.

Tradition has it that this is the house in which Mary first prayed and in which Jesus grew to manhood, and in which the Holy Family lived.

If time permits, we can also visit the Eucharistic Miracle in Lanciano (open 7:30am – 12:30pm, then from 3:00 – 7:30pm). Dinner and overnight in San Giovanni Rotondo.

Day 13, Sat 8 May 2027 – SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO

(B,D) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. After celebrating Mass, we tour the sanctuary, see the old church and the crucifix from which Padre Pio received the stigmata in 1918. You will see the confessional where he spent many hours with a multitude of pilgrims, directing them on their journey toward God. (We will have the opportunity to view and pray before the body of Padre Pio).

This afternoon, we travel along the Gargano Peninsula to Monte Sant'Angelo. We visit the Grotto of Michael the Archangel, a celebrated shrine of early Christianity, consecrated by St Michael himself in 490AD. Dinner and overnight in San Giovanni Rotondo.

Day 14, Sun 9 May 2027 – SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO – MONTECASSINO – ROME

(B,D) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. After breakfast we make our way to Montecassino to visit the Benedictine Abbey reconstructed after WW2. We then make our way to Rome. Dinner and overnight in Rome.

Day 15, Mon 10 May 2027 – DEPARTURE

(B) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Free time before transferring to Rome International airport for your return flight to Sydney.

The itinerary presented above is the program planned and intended for the trip. However, the itinerary may be subject to changes and modifications depending on timings, weather, local conditions and unforeseen circumstances. Although no changes are anticipated, Paramount Travel reserves the right to change or vary the itinerary as deemed necessary.

****END OF TOUR****