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# ITALY

*with Fr. Binoy Kurian*

**12 Days  
December 4-15, 2023**



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# WHAT'S THE COST?

Land Only  
**\$3,695.00**

Group Air\*  
**\$900.00**

Total Trip Cost  
**\$4,595.00**

Solo Traveler  
(Additional Cost)  
**\$895.00**

Prices are per person

\*Group Air Price based on a minimum of 10 passengers

Prices are valid only if the deposit is received no later than August 14, 2023

Final payment due October 4, 2023

Trip Code: 23MJ12ITMC



Orvieto Cathedral

This active program

requires walking twelve

to fifteen thousand steps

daily, often on uneven

surfaces, cobblestones,

and some stairs.



## DAILY ITINERARY

### ✚ December 4, Monday, Day 1: DEPART USA

Depart on an overnight flight from Dallas to Rome. Dinner and breakfast will be served on the flight.

### ✚ December 5, Tuesday, Day 2: ROME

Welcome to Italy! We arrive in the Eternal City, and our professional English-speaking guide greets us at the airport to assist us with luggage and boarding our bus. En route to Rome, we stop at St. Paul Outside the Walls for a visit and we visit the nearby Tre Fontane Convent to see where St. Paul was beheaded. Mass will be celebrated. The rest of the day is at leisure to acclimate to a new time zone. Enjoy dinner at the hotel and our first overnight in Rome. (D)

### ✚ December 6, Wednesday, Day 3: PAPAL AUDIENCE – CHRISTIAN ROME

Early this morning, we are transferred to St. Peter's Square, where the Holy Father blesses us during the Papal Audience. We enjoy lunch in a local restaurant followed by a tour of Christian Rome, including a visit to the Holy Stairs, the Basilica of St. John the Lateran, and St. Mary Major, where we celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight in Rome. (B. Special Lunch,D)

### ✚ December 7, Thursday, Day 4: VATICAN TREASURES: ST. PETER'S BASILICA – SCAVI TUNNELS – AND VATICAN MUSEUM

This morning we visit St. Peter's Basilica and the Scavi (TBC), the underground tunnels beneath St. Peter's Basilica. We continue to the Vatican Museum, where a group of impressive edifices with hundreds of galleries is filled with art treasures. We see awe-inspiring relics and works of art donated throughout the centuries as tributes of faith. We'll cover the Gallery of Tapestries, the Raphael Rooms, and the most overwhelming -the Sistine Chapel, Michelangelo's masterpiece, with its restored mural of the Last Judgment. From the Sistine Chapel, we return to St. Peter's Basilica and explore the largest church in Christendom, built on the site where St. Peter was martyred. Unsurpassed in beauty, a monument to the long history of the Catholic Church to which pilgrims come from around the world, St Peter's is the grandest of the world's churches. Our visit includes headsets, so each pilgrim can benefit from a clear explanation of what we see. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure. Tonight we enjoy dinner together in a local restaurant. Overnight in Rome. Mass will be celebrated. (B, Special dinner)

### ✚ December 8, Friday, Day 5: ANCIENT ROME WALKING TOUR

We start our walking tour of Rome at the Colosseum and pass by the Forum (outside views), we climb the stairway that will lead us to the Piazza del Campidoglio, the magnificent result of a single project by Michelangelo, with a copy of the most famous equestrian statue in the world, the statue of Marcus Aurelius, in the middle. We continue to the Church of San Marcello al Corso to see the miraculous Crucifix, which in 1522 was carried in procession through the city's districts to end the 'Great Plague' of Rome. This Crucifix became a symbol of the faith to end Covid 19. We continue to the Trevi Fountain, where we may choose to have lunch on our own. We continue our walking tour to the Spanish Steps and Piazza Navona this afternoon. We continue to the Pantheon and finally visit the Gesu Church, where we see relics of St. Francis Xavier and rooms where St. Ignatius lived. At 3:30 PM in the afternoon, we return to the Spanish Steps for the celebration for the Immaculate Conception Feast Day. Pope Francis will donate flowers and crown the statue of Our Lady for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary- Act of veneration of Mary Immaculate. Dinner is at leisure tonight. Overnight in Rome. (B.)

### ✚ December 9, Saturday, Day 6: ORVIETO – ASSISI

Following breakfast, we depart for Orvieto. Upon arrival in Orvieto, we celebrate Mass at the Duomo, the gothic Cathedral that was built to house the holy relics of the Eucharistic Miracle of Orvieto. This miracle occasioned the proclamation of the Feast of Corpus Christi and inspired St. Thomas Aquinas to write the famous hymn "Tantum Ergo." Following lunch on your own and time to explore Orvieto we proceed to Assisi, stopping to visit Santa Maria of the Angels Basilica en route. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Assisi. (B.D)

### ✚ December 10, Sunday, Day 7: ASSISI

This morning we tour the Basilica of St. Francis and celebrate Mass. We then visit the Church of St. Clare to see her tomb and the Cross, which spoke to St. Francis and then we visit San Damiano. The afternoon is at leisure to explore this charming little hilltop town on our own. Dinner and overnight in Assisi. (B.D)



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### **✚ December 11, Monday, Day 8: CASCIA – ASSISI**

Today we depart for Cascia, where we celebrate Mass and visit the Monastery and the Shrine of St. Rita, one of the most popular Italian saints. She was a married woman, a mother, a widow, a nun, a stigmatist, and later, a mystic. The Basilica of St. Rita contains her incorrupt body, several relics from her life, and a Eucharistic miracle from before her time. Following lunch, we return to Assisi, the city of birds and silence. Dinner and overnight in Assisi. (B.L.D)

### **✚ December 12, Tuesday, Day 9: LORETO – LANCIANO – SAN GIOVANNI**

We depart for Loreto to see the Holy House of Nazareth, which as the tradition tells us was transported here from the Holy Land. We see the most reproduced Madonna in the world; the Black Madonna of Loreto. We continue to Lanciano to see the Host of Flesh, which is still in one piece and has retained the dimensions of the original. The actual spot of the miracle is beneath the present-day Tabernacle of the Church of St. Francis. The Eucharistic miracle is preserved in the second tabernacle on the high altar. The Host now changed to Flesh, is contained in a silver Monstrance. The wine now changed to Blood, is contained in a crystal chalice. This is also a pilgrimage place to Our Lady of Mercy. Here we join in the celebration of Mass. We then depart for San Giovanni to see the places associated with the life and work of St. Padre Pio. Overnight and dinner at the hotel in San Giovanni. (B.D)

### **✚ December 13, Wednesday, Day 10: SAN GIOVANNI – ST. MICHAEL'S GROTTO**

Today we visit places associated with Padre Pio, his tomb and cell, the old church where he received the stigmata, his confessional and the new church of Santa Maria Delle Grazie. We visit the Grotto of St. Michael the Archangel in the afternoon, and celebrate Mass. Dinner at the hotel. Parco Delle Rose. Dinner and overnight in San Giovanni. (B.D)

### **✚ December 14, Thursday, Day 11: SAN GIOVANNI – NETTUNO- ROME**

We drive to Nettuno today to visit the Shrine of St. Maria Goretti, where we celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight near Rome airport. (B.D)

### **✚ December 15, Friday, Day 12: RETURN TO THE USA**

After breakfast, we are transferred to the airport for our flight home. (B)

#### **Assisi**



#### **YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES**

- Roundtrip airfare from Dallas to Rome
- Airport taxes and fuel surcharges (subject to change)
- First-class hotels for 10 nights
- Service charges and hotel taxes
- Buffet breakfast daily
- 2 lunches in a restaurant with wine
- 8 hotel dinners (standard 3-course menu, beverages available at an additional cost)
- 1 Restaurant dinner with wine
- All transfers with a private A/C motor coach as per itinerary
- Professional English speaking tour director throughout
- Sightseeing tours as per itinerary
- Entrance fees included to sites specifically listed (outside view means no entrance is included)
- Luggage handling at hotels (one piece per person in/out)
- Select International Tours Travel Portfolio
- Confirmation of private daily Mass
- Whisper sets for groups of 30 or more passengers
- We recommend you consider purchasing CFAR Travel Protection

#### **RATES DO NOT INCLUDE**

- Personal expenses
- Medical Insurance
- Any items not explicitly mentioned in the listed inclusions
- Beverages at meals unless otherwise noted
- Gratuities for the guide(s), driver, and wait staff (please refer to the suggestions we will make available to you)
- Church donations

#### **BAGGAGE CHARGES NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP COST:**

- Any airline baggage charges
- Baggage handling at train stations, airports, and hotels in excess of one suitcase per person
- Any charges incurred due to excessive luggage including the cost of an additional baggage vehicle or portorage charges



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## **Important information regarding your trip:**

### **Group Air:**

Select International Tours is a tour company that specializes in group travel. A group is ten or more people traveling together. For each group we negotiate and secure group air contracts with all major airlines departing from the designated airport. This enables us to keep all passengers within a group traveling together, in most cases utilizing best air rates.

Group air contracts differ from individually purchased airline tickets in many ways. When group air contracts are negotiated, we deposit a certain number of seats to hold the space and GTD the rate. Unused seats must be released at least 90 days prior to departure to avoid a \$ 100.00 per unused seat penalty.

It is important to receive your registration by the deadline stated on the flyer. Once the seats are released back to the airlines, we may be able to accommodate passengers at a different air rate or on a different airline.

Group air contracts limit types of deviations allowed and in some cases issuing tickets at individual rates may be necessary. Individual rates & reservations are not GTD until the tickets are issued. In order to issue an individual ticket we must receive full payment. Taxes and fuel costs are subject to change until the tickets are issued.

### **Domestic add-on tickets:**

We can assist you with domestic air to connect with our international group air if you wish. Indicate on the registration form which airport you wish us to research air from. We are not responsible for fees or charges incurred in case dates change or the trip is cancelled. However, when buying a domestic add-on ticket through Select we may be able to assist in case of changes.

We will provide you with best schedule to connect with the flight (we are not able to help you with tickets that do not connect directly to the international flight) and the best price we can offer. Our information will be sent to you by e-mail. We require an acceptance within 24 hours of our offer along with full payment otherwise the rate is subject to change based on availability. We cannot quote any domestic air requests more than twice.

### **Business Class and Economy Plus Seats:**

We are happy to assist you with business class and economy plus seats. Passengers must be registered on one of our trips to receive a quote. We will quote the available rate which is subject to change until we receive payment to purchase the seats. Usually Economy Plus Seats require the group tickets to be issued before the ability to upgrade.

**Passport and Visa information:**

All airlines require us to submit valid passport information including full name (first, middle and last), date of birth, gender, country, in which your passport has been issued and passport expiration date. To ensure that we can provide this information accurately, we require a photo copy of each person's passport traveling on each tour. Your passport must be valid 6 months from the trip return date. It is the passenger's responsibility to check if visas are required for the destinations visited and to obtain any necessary travel documents. Select International Tours does not provide information or assistance about passports or visa requirements.

**Frequent Flyer Numbers:**

Select International cannot assist if you wish to reserve air using FF miles. We can update your record with Frequent Flyer #'s only if you note the number on the registration form. Otherwise please call the airline directly.

**Seat Requests & Seat Changes**

Select International Tours DOES NOT provide assistance with passenger's seating preferences or specific seat requests. Due to the large number of passengers we work with, we are unable to provide this service unless the request is due to a medical issue. In this case, we will request a seat with the airline but cannot guarantee that the seat will be confirmed. Please understand that although requests are being made directly with the airline, not every request is guaranteed or granted by the airline. If you would like to have a seat number assigned, it is best to contact the airline directly upon receipt of your ticket confirmation # or change your seats at the time of check-in at the airport prior to departure.

**“Land Only” (not purchasing group air with Select International Tour Package:**

We understand that some passengers may wish to purchase their own air transportation. Arranging transportation on your own may give you the ability to use flight miles for your ticket, secure the seat you desire/require, or deviate from the group. We offer land only prices on all our tours.

Airport transfers are not provided for passengers purchasing land only (not purchasing air with us) if arriving or departing at any time different from the group. If you wish to enjoy the benefit of the group transfer, please be sure you are at the airport at the same time as the group. On certain itineraries airport transfers, may be very costly as the group may be traveling a far distance from the airport on the first or last day.

If the flight schedule you purchase arrives or departs at a time different from the group, it is your responsibility to join the group either at the airport or at the first hotel.

If you register for the air and land package and convert to land only, a \$ 100.00 service charge will be assessed should the change be made within 90 days of departure.

**Flight cancellations or delays:**

In case your flight is cancelled or delayed please work with the airline directly at the airport to be rebooked on the first available flight out. Once you know your new flight and time of arrival contact the emergency number provided in your travel documents to notify your guide of the delay. Your travel documents will contain an emergency number and the guide's phone. Any incurred costs are out of pocket and not included in the trip cost. The cost of private transfers in case of delays are not covered as part of your trip cost. You may file a claim with your Travel Protection Insurance company or with the airlines upon your return. Receipts will be required.

**Single rooms:**

A limited number of single rooms are available on each trip. If you wish to share a room let us know at the time of registration. We will attempt to connect you with another person looking to share. The cost of Travel Protection insurance will be adjusted to reflect the single supplement as insurance cost depends on total trip cost. Should we not be able to accommodate all single room requests and you are not able or willing to share, a complete refund will be provided.

If your roommate cancels, and the room is converted into single usage, a single supplement will be charged.

**How much walking will there be on this trip?**

This active program covers a good amount of ground each day. The days are busy, usually starting with a wake-up call around 7AM and departure by 9AM or earlier. We aim to be back at the hotel between 5PM and 6PM. Times may vary depending on destination and program.

Expect from three to four hours walking on some touring days. The pace is moderate, however you will encounter some uneven surfaces, stairs, steps, cobblestones, and significant slopes. Some tours require walking in the open air with no shade and no seating available.

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### SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE COVERAGE AND OTHER NON-INSURANCE SERVICES

<u>Benefit</u>	<u>Maximum Benefit Amount</u>
Trip Cancellation**	up to 100% of the non-refundable insured Trip Cost*
Trip Interruption**	up to 150% of the non-refundable insured Trip Cost*
Single Supplement	Included
Trip Delay – 6 hours	to a maximum of \$1,500 (up to \$150/day)
Missed Tour or Cruise Connection	up to \$500
Baggage & Personal Effects	up to \$1,500
Baggage Delay – 24 hours	up to \$400
Political or Security Evacuation and Natural Disaster Evacuation	up to \$100,000
Emergency Accident & Sickness Medical Expense	up to \$50,000
Medical Evacuation & Repatriation of Remains Benefit	up to \$150,000
Optional Cancel for Any Reason (CFAR)***	up to 75% of the non-refundable insured Trip Cost*
Non-Insurance Worldwide Emergency Assistance Services	Included



Coverages may vary and not all coverage is available in all jurisdictions.

\* Subject to maximum benefit amount of \$10,000.

\*\* For \$0 Trip Cost, there is no Trip Cancellation and Trip Interruption is limited to \$500 return air ticket cost only.

Trip Cancellation/Trip Interruption benefits are only payable if a trip is cancelled/interrupted due to a covered peril.

\*\*\* CFAR must be purchased within the time sensitive period and you must cancel your trip no later than 48 hours prior to scheduled departure date of your trip. This benefit does not cover penalties associated with any air or other Travel Arrangements not provided by Travel Supplier or the failure of Travel Supplier to provide the bargained for Travel Arrangements due to cessation of operations for any reason. Additional cost applies. Not available to residents of NY.

### PER PERSON RATES

Cost of Trip	Rates	With CFAR*	Cost of Trip	Rates	With CFAR*
\$0-\$500	\$40	\$62	\$4,501-\$5,000	\$382	\$589
\$501-\$1,000	\$73	\$112	\$5,001-\$5,500	\$439	\$677
\$1,001-\$1,500	\$107	\$164	\$5,501-\$6,000	\$468	\$721
\$1,501-\$2,000	\$146	\$224	\$6,001-\$6,500	\$506	\$780
\$2,001-\$2,500	\$184	\$283	\$6,501-\$7,000	\$545	\$839
\$2,501-\$3,000	\$229	\$353	\$7,001-\$8,000	\$583	\$898
\$3,001-\$3,500	\$283	\$436	\$8,001-\$9,000	\$660	\$1,017
\$3,501-\$4,000	\$313	\$482	\$9,001-\$10,000	\$750	\$1,155
\$4,001-\$4,500	\$335	\$517			

The above rates are for trips up to 30 days – for each day over 30 add \$6 per person per day.

All of the above rates are for the plan which includes insurance and non-insurance services.

\*Optional Cancel For Any Reason (CFAR) benefit not available to residents of New York State.



## EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS

**Unless otherwise shown below, these exclusions apply to You, Your Traveling Companion, or Family Member scheduled and booked to travel with You.**

**The following exclusion(s) apply(ies) to the Trip Cancellation and Trip Interruption.** We will not pay for any loss or expense caused due to, arising or resulting from: 1. a Pre-Existing Medical Condition, as defined in the plan document.

**The following exclusions apply to Medical Expense benefits:** Benefits are not payable for any loss or expense caused due to, arising or resulting from: 1. routine physical examinations or routine dental care; 2. traveling for the purpose or intent of securing medical treatment or advice; 3. Alcohol or substance abuse or treatment for the same; 4. Normal pregnancy (except Complications of Pregnancy) or childbirth, or elective abortion; 5. a Mental, Nervous or Psychological Condition or Disorder unless Hospitalized or Partially Hospitalized while the plan is in effect; 6. Your participation in Adventure or Extreme Activities, riding or driving in races, or participation in speed or endurance competition or events, except as a spectator; 7. Your participation in an organized athletic or sporting competition, contest, or stunt under contract in exchange for an agreed-upon salary or compensation. This does not include athletes participating in exchange for a scholarship or tuition.

**In addition to any applicable benefit-specific exclusion, the following general exclusions apply to all losses and all benefits.**

We will not pay for any loss or expense caused due to, arising or resulting from: 1. suicide, attempted suicide or any intentionally self-inflicted injury of You, a Traveling Companion, Family Member or Business Partner booked and scheduled to travel with You, while sane or insane; 2. being under the influence of drugs or narcotics, unless administered upon the advice of a Physician as prescribed; 3. activities, losses, or claims involving or resulting from possession, production, processing, sale, or use of marijuana, illegal drugs, alcohol or substances are excluded from coverage; 4. war or act of war, including invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities between nations (whether declared or undeclared), or civil war; 5. the commission of or attempt to commit a felony or being engaged in an illegal occupation by You, a Traveling Companion, Family Member, or Business Partner; 6. directly or indirectly, the actual, alleged or threatened use, discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, escape, release or exposure to any hazardous biological, chemical, nuclear radioactive weapon, device, material, gas, matter or contamination; 7. piloting or learning to pilot or acting as a member of the crew of any aircraft.

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**The plan also contains exclusions that apply specifically to the Political or Security Evacuation coverage and the Natural Disaster Evacuation Coverage.**

**Excess Insurance:** Insurance provided by this plan shall be in excess of all other valid and collectible insurance or indemnity or as required by state law. If at the time of the occurrence of any loss there is other valid and collectible insurance or indemnity in place, We shall be liable only for the excess of the amount of loss, over the amount of such other insurance or indemnity, and applicable deductible. Recovery of losses from other parties does not result in a refund of plan cost paid.

### **Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion Waiver**

The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion will be waived if the protection plan payment or deposit is received within the time sensitive period and you are not disabled from travel at the time you pay the plan cost based on Physician assessment.

## **PLEASE REFER TO THE PLAN DOCUMENTS FOR A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF COVERAGE.**

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**Your passport must be valid through June 15, 2024. Reservations will not be processed until we have passport copies.** Prices quoted are based on payments by check. Prices: **\$3,695.00** for land only (air not included); **\$900.00** for group air; **\$4,595.00** for land and air; **\$895.00** for solo traveler, additional cost, (in room by yourself). For credit card prices add 4%

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**SOLO TRAVEL:** A limited number of single rooms are available. Prices are based on two people per room. We do not guarantee roommates but will do our best to connect you with a someone willing to share.

**LAND ONLY OPTION:** Land only services start and end at the hotels and do not include any airfare. You are welcome to transfer from the airport with the group if you arrive at the same time, otherwise, transfers are not included.

**TOUR CANCELLATION POLICY:** Individual deposits are refundable except for a \$350.00 per person handling fee for cancellations made 90 days or more before departure. A \$500.00 non-refundable fee will be assessed if the reservation is canceled between 90 and 60 days prior to departure. Within 60 days of departure all payments are non-refundable regardless of reason for cancellations. All airline tickets are non-refundable once issued. All cancellations must be in writing. Unused portions of the trip are not refundable. If a roommate cancels, the cost of a solo supplement will be added to your invoice. You may be eligible for a refund through your travel protection. Refer to the U.S. Policy by State on our website.

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**AIRLINE, SEATING AND SPECIAL REQUESTS:** To best accommodate our pilgrims, we often utilize Group Air Reservations. These allow more predictable transfer and tour schedules. However, when booking Group Air, the airline (not

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**WALKING:** Our trips require daily walking, sometimes up or down slopes, steps, and uneven terrain. We recommend preparing oneself, by walking before the trip. Anyone needing assistance is required to be accompanied by a qualified and physically-able travel companion. We are not responsible for any medical condition that occurs prior, during or after the trip.

**SAFETY PROCEDURES:** Select International Tours has undertaken a reasonable inquiry, with all the suppliers (including airlines, hotels, bus companies and other service providers) used on our trips to ensure they have instigated the best available procedures regarding the pandemic- protective policies advised by local government and health authorities. The client understands and agrees that the supplier(s) may not apply those policies as diligently as the policies suggest. In addition even if the supplier makes a good faith effort to enforce its good practices, some travelers may simply refuse to cooperate. Therefore the client agrees not to hold Select International Tours or group leaders responsible should they or anyone on the trip contract COVID-19 or any other illness during or after the trip

**RESPONSIBILITY:** By accepting this confirmation, you agree that the Group Leaders and Select International Tours, Inc. have no responsibility for any acts or omission of the travel suppliers in your itinerary and during your trip. We have no special knowledge regarding the financial conditions of the suppliers, unsafe travel conditions, health hazards, or weather hazards at locations traveled. We are not responsible for flight delays or cancellations or any charges incurred due to unforeseen circumstances. Unused portions of the trip are non-refundable. For information about destination climate, risks, and safety please consult the appropriate on-line resources. For health information consult the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. You are responsible for checking passport, visa, vaccination, or other entry requirements of your destinations. Itineraries are subject to change. We are not responsible for any damaged, lost, or stolen articles. We are not responsible for any sickness, injury, or death during or after the trip. Travel documents will be mailed out approximately three (3) weeks before departure. Please review them carefully for any errors.

**SHIPPING & HANDLING:** \$15.00—not included in package price—will be added to each invoice. Your invoice will confirm the trip registration.

## Pilgrimage to Italy with Maria Conley, Meg Ruhter, and Fr. Binoy Kurian

Trip Code: 23MJ12ITMC

December 4-15, 2023

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