with an optional extension to Rome for the Jubilee Year Celebration

A Pilgrimage to Malta, Sicily, and the Amalfi Goast

# with Fr. Mike Nolan

May 12-23, 2025 Rome Extension: May 23-26, 2025



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# WHAT'S THE COST? Total Trip Cost\*

\$5895.00 Land Only \$4895.00

Solo Traveler (additional cost) \$1495.00

# Rome Extension \$1495.00

### Solo Traveler (additional cost) \$695.00

\*Airfare is estimated and subject to change until July of 2024 when the group air is available for confirmation.

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

Prices are valid only if the deposit of \$750.00 is received no later than January 30, 2025 Final payment due February 11, 2025

Trip Code: 25JA05ITLM

#### This active program

requires walking ten

to twelve thousand steps

daily, often on uneven

tones

surfaces, cobblestones

#### and some stairs.

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#### ፟ May 12, Monday, DAY 1: DEPART USA

We depart on an overnight flight from Knoxville to Malta via Rome. Dinner and breakfast will be served on the flight.

#### **论May 13, Tuesday, DAY 2: MALTA**

We arrive in Malta and are greeted by our guide in the Arrivals Hall. We are escorted to our motor coach for transfer to our hotel. Enjoy the rest of the day to stroll and acclimate to a new time zone. Dinner at the hotel and overnight stay in Valletta, Malta. Mass will be celebrated. (D)

#### <sup>1</sup>℃May 14, Wednesday, DAY 3: MALTA – MDINA – RABAT

Today our full day excursion to Rabat and Mdina begins with a visit to the site of St. Paul's shipwreck, "The most famous shipwreck in the history of Christianity". We continue along St. Paul's route and see sites where tradition tells us he preached, stayed and baptized the first Maltese at San Pawl Milgi Chapel ("St. Paul welcomed"). We visit St. Paul's Church and Grotto, a church founded in 1575 over the ancient caves where, according to some traditions, St. Paul was held captive. We visit St. Catald's Catacombs in Rabat. Next, we visit Our Lady of Mellieha Sanctuary, which is dedicated to Our Lady and is a very important part of the Catholic history of the island. Continue with a visit to the "Mosta Rotunda," a magnificent domed church in Mosta. We walk through the streets of Mdina, Malta's first capital, where we visit the Cathedral dedicated to St. Peter and St. Paul. Mdina is also located in the highest elevations of Malta, where magnificent views of the entire island are possible. Concluding our sightseeing on the western shore, we view the spectacular Dingli Cliffs before turning toward our return route. The day's last stop will be the Catacombs of St. Paul, a fascinating labyrinth of the 3rd century subterranean tombs and the earliest archaeological evidence of Christianity in Malta. We celebrate Mass. Return to our hotel for an overnight and dinner. Overnight in Valletta. (B.D)

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This morning, we see the tombs at the majestic St. John's Co-Cathedral with its imposing bastions and a treasure trove of priceless paintings. including a painting by Caravaggio, " The Beheading of St. John." Enjoy hearing the history of the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem. As we tour Valletta, the capital of Malta, we become acquainted with the fascinating history of this island, perhaps best known as the seat of the Knights of St. John, more commonly known as the Knights of Malta. We also see the story of St. Paul's shipwreck as told in paintings found in the church of the same name. The church houses the relics of St. Paul's right wrist bone. We celebrate Mass here and then have the rest of the afternoon at leisure to enjoy the quaint cafés and shops. An optional excursion to the island of Gozo by private boat may be arranged in the afternoon for an additional \$65.00 per person. Dinner is at leisure tonight. Overnight in Malta. (B)

#### **岱May 16, Friday, DAY 5: MALTA –** SICILY – TAORMINA

We depart the island of Malta and take a ferry to the island of Sicily, disembarking in Pozzallo. After the Claudian expulsion, St. Paul did not stay long in Malta, anxious to see what had become of the Christians in Rome. They set off and landed in Syracuse, Sicily, less than seventy miles away, just as we do today. Mass will be celebrated. Overnight in Taormina. (B.D)

#### **<sup>1</sup> Charley 17, Saturday, DAY 6: SYRACUSE** - TAORMINA

We find ourselves at what was once one of the greatest ports in the central Mediterranean and where St. Paul staved after he departed Malta. We see the Greek and Roman Theaters and the Viale Rizzo. Next, we visit the Church of St. John the Baptist, where St. Paul preached. The building has an inscription in memory of the brief stay of St. Paul in Siracusa: "HIC OLIM SYRACUSIS TRIDUO MANENTIS." In polychrome glass, the rosette is depicted as the saint's effigy. The Catacombs of St. John contains some 20.000 Early Christian tombs. In Roman times. Christians were not allowed to bury their dead within the city limits, so they went outside the boundaries to create burial chambers in what had been used by the Greeks as underground aqueducts. The early Christians recycled these into chapels. St. Paul is said to have preached on this spot, so the early Christians venerated it as holy. We visit the Basilica of Madonna delle Lacrime to celebrate Mass. Enjoy dinner at leisure. Overnight in Taormina. (B)

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After breakfast, we visit the Sanctuary of Madonna della Rocca, which was built in 1640 with limestone rock that acts as a cover to the interior. Our Lady of the Rock is one of Taormina's most popular destinations for the perfect panorama of the surrounding city and Mount Etna. Next, continue to Messina for a panoramic tour and visit of the Cathedral. The Cathedral of Messina's bell tower contains the world's biggest and most complex mechanical and astronomical clock. According to tradition, in 42 AD, St. Paul came to Messina to spread Christianity. Inspired by his impassioned words, the people of Messina sent their ambassadors to Jerusalem to pay their respects to the Virgin Mary. The Madonna gave them a letter addressed to the people of Messina, promising eternal protection to the city. The ending of the letter "Vos et ipsam civitatem benedicimus" (I bestow my benediction upon you and your city) is still written on the base, which supports the Virgin Mary's gilded statue at the port entrance. In the scene represented

on the bell tower, a little after noon, an angel brings the letter to the Virgin Mary, followed by St. Paul and the ambassadors. Each character bows when passing in front of the Madonna. Mass will be celebrated. Return to Taormina for dinner and overnight. (B.D)

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After breakfast, we check out of our hotel and transfer to Catania Airport for our flight to Rome. Upon arrival, we hop on our bus, driving south toward the magnificent Amalfi Coast. We celebrate Mass at the beautiful Our Lady of the Rosary Shrine. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Salerno. (B.D)

#### びMay 20, Tuesday, DAY 9: AMALFI – LIMONCELLO EXPERIENCE

Today, we visit the towns of Ravello and Amalfi, where we explore the Cathedral of St.Andrew. Here, we see the saint's relics, the Crypt, where he is buried, and celebrate Mass. This coast is known as the Citrus Coast due to the abundance of Lemon and Orange trees. We visit a Limoncello farm to try our hand at making the tasty liquor and to enjoy a culinary experience. On the way back to our hotel, we stop at a ceramic factory where we can shop for beautiful and colorful local ceramics. Dinner at leisure and overnight in Salerno. (B)

#### 论May 21, Wednesday, DAY 10: THE ISLAND OF CAPRI

Today, choose to relax and go swimming in Salerno or catch the ferry to the island of Capri (90-minute ride) and enjoy a day at leisure. Mass will be celebrated in Capri upon arrival. Tickets to the Blue Grotto or funicular to the mountain overlooking Capri are not included and may be purchased in town. The local Mass will be celebrated in the afternoon for people staying in Salerno. We suggest dinner at leisure on the hotel rooftop. Overnight in Salerno. (B)

#### でMay 22, Thursday, DAY 11: SORRENTO – PAESTUM – BUFFALO MOZZARELLA – FRASCATI

We check out of our hotel and head for the volcanic ruins at the archaeological area of Paestum, which is similar to the volcanic ruins in Pompeii but less crowded and commercialized. We celebrate Mass in the local church before visiting the Vannullo factory to taste the best buffalo mozzarella in Italy! Enjoy lunch before driving to our hotel in Frascati, where we enjoy a festive farewell dinner overnight. (B.L.Special dinner)

#### **岱May 23, Friday, DAY 12: RETURN** TO USA

This morning, we are transferred to the Rome Airport for our flight home. (B)

Enroll online to guarantee your spot immediately. You can manage your trip, see your documents and itinerary, and view or pay your invoice, from any computer or mobile device.

# OR ENJOY AN OPTIONAL 3-NIGHT ROME EXTENSION:

#### ☆May 23, Friday, DAY 12: ST. PAUL IN ROME – CATACOMBS

This morning, we visit St. Paul's Outside the Walls, built over the burial place of the Saint, where we celebrate Mass and walk through the first Holy Door of our Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage. It is celebrated by the church to receive blessing and pardon from God and remission of sins. Nearby is the sight of Three Fountains, said to spring up as the Apostle's head bounced three times after his beheading. We see the Mamertine Prison, where St. Paul and St. Peter were imprisoned before driving along the Appian Way to the famous Church of Quo Vadis, located on the spot where Christ appeared to Peter, and the Saint asked, "Domine, quo vadis? "(Where are you going, Lord?) The Lord replied, "I am going to Rome to be crucified for the second time." St. Peter understood the message and returned to face his martyrdom. We also stop at the Inn, where St. Paul stopped for rest before arriving at the seat of the former Holy Roman Empire and visit the Catacombs, where the early Christians hid, prayed, and buried their dead. The Catacombs of St. Sebastian is of special interest, with remnants of the original basilica dedicated to St. Peter and St. Paul. Overnight in Rome (B.D)

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This morning, we celebrate Mass at St. Peter's Basilica (TBC) and walk through the second Holy Door of our pilgrimage. Explore St. Peter's Basilica during a guided tour (whisper sets included) before our break for lunch. In the afternoon, enjoy time at leisure to visit some of the famous Roman sites such as the Trevi Fountain, the Spanish Steps, the Pantheon, Piazza Navone, Borghese Villa and more on your own. Tonight, we have a Festive Dinner with wine and traditional Italian music. Overnight in Rome. (B. Special Dinner)

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This morning, we are at the Vatican again, where we are greeted and blessed by the Holy Father during the Sunday Angelus. Following lunch, which is included, enjoy a visit to the center of Western civilization and the heart of modern Italy. The "Eternal City" is where three millennia of Mediterranean civilization exists. The city is full of monuments that are larger than life, which we see during the Christian Rome tour. We visit the Basilica of St. Mary Major to celebrate Mass and walk through our trip's third Holy Door. Our next stop is the Archbasilica of St. John Lateran, where we walk through our pilgrimage's fourth and final Holy Door. Next door, we say a prayer at the Holy Stairs. The last stop of our busy day is the Basilica of the Holy Cross in Jerusalem. Dinner is at leisure. Overnight in Rome (B.L)

#### 矿May 26, Monday, DAY 15: RETURN TO USA

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

#### YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES

- Roundtrip airfare from Knoxville to Malta x Taormina to Rome / Rome to Knoxville (subject to change until the group air is confirmed in July 2024)
- Airport taxes and fuel surcharges (subject to change until the time of ticketing)
- Boat Malta to Sicily
- 10-night accommodations in first-class hotels
- Service charges and hotel taxes
- Buffet breakfast daily
- One restaurant lunch
- Five hotel dinners (standard 3-course menu; beverages may be purchased at an additional cost)
- Farewell dinner in a local restaurant with wine
- All transfers with a private A/C motor coach as per itinerary
- Professional English-speaking Christian tour guide throughout
- Entrance fees are 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 daily private Mass
- Whisper sets

#### **Optional 3-night extension to Rome:**

- Three nights in a first-class hotel
- Transfers by a private bus
- English-speaking tour manager
- Local guides for Christian Rome tour
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- Buffet breakfast dailyOne restaurant lunch
- One hotel dinner (standard 3-course menu;
- beverages may be purchased at an additional cost)
- Dinner in a local restaurant accompanied by wine
- Local hotel taxes

#### RATES DO NOT INCLUDE

- Tipping /Gratuities for the guide(s), driver, and wait staff (please refer to the suggestions we will provide for you with your final documents) Suggested budget \$200- \$220.00 for the main tour and \$60-80 for the extension to Rome
- Any items not explicitly mentioned in the listed inclusions
- Beverages at meals unless otherwise noted
- Meals not specifically listed at the end of each day (B. L. D.)
- Church donations (budget \$2.00 \$5.00 per Mass)
- Airport transfers for land-only passengers unless at the airport at the same time as the group
- Personal expenses
- ETIAS European Travel Authorization
- Seat arrangements on the flights & assistance
   with pre-flight check-in

# BAGGAGE CHARGES NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP COST:

- Baggage handling at train stations, and airports. \*Check with your airline for baggage fees and restrictions
- Any charges incurred due to excessive luggage including the cost of an additional baggage vehicle or portage charges



# 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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# Select Protect Travel Protection Plan

# **Plan Highlights**

- Comprehensive coverage for trip cancellation, trip interruption, emergency medical and post-departure travel coverage up to \$100,000
- Up to \$150,000 in Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation of Remains coverage available
- 100% of Trip Cancellation coverage up to \$25,000
- 150% of Trip Interruption coverage up to \$37,500
- Optional Cancel For Any Reason
- Pre-Existing medical condition waiver available

## **10-Day Free Look Period**

If you are not satisfied within 10 days of purchasing this plan, Trawick International will refund your premium cost if you have not departed on your trip or filed a claim.

## **Trip Cancellation Covered Reasons**

This is a list of some covered reasons for Trip Cancellation. Please refer to the plan document for a full list.

- Sickness, Accidental Injury, or Death of You, a Family Member, Traveling Companion, or Business Partner
- Sickness, Injury, or Death of Non-Traveling Family Member
- Hijacked, Quarantined, required to serve on a jury, or subpoenaed
- Employment Terminated or Laid-Off
- Approved Military Leave Revoked or Military Re-Assignment
- Terrorist Incident
- Your Home made Uninhabitable by Natural Disaster or Burglary
- Inclement Weather Causing Complete Cessation of Air/Common Carrier Services
- Mechanical breakdown Causing Complete Cessation of Air/Common Carrier Services

# Underwritten by:

Benefits listed describe all of the travel insurance benefits, underwritten by Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company. In WA coverage is underwritten by Nationwide Life Insurance Company, Columbus, Ohio and Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, Columbus, Ohio. There are certain restrictions, exclusions and limitations that apply to all services and coverages. Plan benefits, limits, and provisions may vary by state. To review full plan details online, visit www.trawickinternational.com. You will receive your State specific Plan Document which describes the benefits and limitations in detail including available 24-hour noninsurance emergency assistance services. NSM-0365AO (12/23)

### **Plan Admin:**

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# **Benefits of Coverage**

Benefits	Maximum Benefit Amount
Trip Coverage	
Trip Cancellation	100% of Trip Cost up to \$25,000
Trip Interruption	150% of Trip Cost up to \$37,500
Trip Delay (6 hours)	\$1,500 (\$150/day)
Missed Connection (3 hours)	\$500
Personal Items Coverage	
Baggage Coverage	\$1,500
Per item	\$250
Limited Valuables	\$500
Baggage Delay Coverage (24 hours)	\$400
Medical & Evacuation Coverage	
Emergency Accident & Sickness Medical Expense	\$100,000
Emergency Dental Expenses	\$750
Emergency Evacuation	\$150,000
Repatriation of Remains	\$25,000
Hospital Companion Transportation	\$10,000
Hospital Companion Expenses	\$200/day, 10 days maximum
Non-Medical Evacuation	\$100,000
Pre-Existing Condition Waiver	If purchased on or before Final Payment
Pre-Existing Condition lookback period	60 days
Non-insurance 24-hour standard emergency travel assistance	Included
Optional Upgrade	
Trip Cancellation for Any Reason (CFAR) Optional	75% of Insured Trip Cost
	Must be purchased within 14 days of deposit
	Must Cancel 2 days or more prior to departure date
	Not available to residents of NY or WA

Not all Benefits are available in all states, please see the Plan Document for all details.



# **Plan Rates**

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Trip Cost Bands	Base rate	Base & CFAR rate*
i1-\$500	\$66	\$112
\$501-\$1,000	\$70	\$118
\$1,001-\$1,500	\$96	\$162
\$1,501-\$2,000	\$128	\$217
\$2,001-\$2,500	\$156	\$264
\$2,501-\$3,000	\$185	\$313
\$3,001-\$3,500	\$212	\$360
\$3,501-\$4,000	\$241	\$410
\$4,001-\$4,500	\$269	\$456
\$4,501-\$5,000	\$307	\$521
\$5,001-\$5,500	\$328	\$558
\$5,501-\$6,000	\$361	\$613
\$6,001-\$6,500	\$420	\$714
\$6,501-\$7,000	\$447	\$760
\$7,001-\$7,500	\$483	\$821
\$7,501-\$8,000	\$513	\$872
\$8,001-\$8,500	\$552	\$939
\$8,501-\$9,000	\$627	\$1,066
\$9,001-\$9,500	\$713	\$1,211
\$9,501-\$10,000	\$748	\$1,272
\$10,001-\$11,000	\$801	\$1,362
\$11,001-\$12,000	\$872	\$1,482
\$12,001-\$13,000	\$939	\$1,596
\$13,001-\$14,000	\$1,010	\$1,716
\$14,001-\$15,000	\$1,081	\$1,837
\$15,001-\$16,000	\$1,151	\$1,957
\$16,001-\$17,000	\$1,222	\$2,077
\$17,001-\$18,000	\$1,293	\$2,198
\$18,001-\$19,000	\$1,364	\$2,318
\$19,001-\$20,000	\$1,435	\$2,438
\$20,001-\$21,000	\$1,505	\$2,559
\$21,001-\$22,000	\$1,576	\$2,679
\$22,001-\$23,000	\$1,651	\$2,806
\$23,001-\$24,000	\$1,722	\$2,927
\$24,001-\$25,000	\$1,792	\$3,047

\*Note: CFAR is 1.7 x the base rates.

**DEPOSITS AND FINAL PAYMENT:** Please see the bottom section of this page for instructions on how to enroll on this trip. A **deposit of \$750.00** per person and a copy of your passport picture page should be sent by **January 30, 2025.** Final payment is due by February 11, 2025. A late payment fee of \$100 will be charged per person for all payments received after the final payment date. Please mail your payment to: Select International Tours, 85 Park Ave., Flemington, NJ 08822 Attn: Jane Allison, 800-842-4842, jane@select-intl.com. Your passport must be valid through November 28, 2025. Reservations will not be processed until we have passport copies. Prices quoted are based on payments by check. Prices: \$5,895.00 for total trip; \$4,895.00 for land only (air not included); \*Airfare is estimated and subject to change until July of 2024 when the group air is available for confirmation. \$1,495.00 for solo traveler, additional cost, (an room by yourself); \$1,495.00 for Rome Extension; \$695.00 for Rome ext. solo traveler, additional cost. A non-refundable 4% credit card convenience fee applies to all credit card transactions.

**PILGRIMAGE PRICES:** Prices are based on minimum 20 passengers. Prices may be adjusted in the event of fewer than 20 passengers, changes in currency conversion rates, or amendments in local government taxes and/or fuel surcharges. Prices are in US dollars. For European travel an exchange rate of US \$1.15 per Euro is assumed.

**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 \$500.00 per person handling fee for cancellations made 121 days or more before departure. A \$750.00 non-refundable fee will be assessed if the reservation is canceled between 120 and 90 days prior to departure. Within 90 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.

**TRIP CANCELLATION PROTECTION:** We strongly encourage you to purchase a **Travel Protection Plan**, for the protection of your travel investment. Please consider purchasing this plan at the time of initial deposit in order to be covered for pre-existing conditions.

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AIRLINE, SEATING AND SPECIAL REQUESTS: To best accommodate our pilgrims, we often utilize Group Air Reservations. These allow more predictable

Malta, Sicily and The Amalfi Coast with Fr. Mike Nolan Trip Code: 25JA05ITLM transfer and tour schedules. However, when booking Group Air, the airline (not Select International Tours) controls seating assignments. If you require very specific seats, we suggest that you book your own airfare and take advantage of our "Land Only" options. You may communicate directly with the airline to request seating changes, provide mileage program information, or change passenger contact information once you receive ticket numbers—approximately three (3) weeks prior to departure. We work with instant purchase airline tickets and or group rates. If you switch from air and land to land only within 90 days from departure you will be charged a \$150 service fee in addition to any airline charges. All special needs and requests due to medical or dietary restrictions must be requested in writing at least 60 days prior to departure. Business class and Premium Coach seats are available upon written request; as are addons from your hometown airport. If you require very specific airlines or schedules, we suggest that you book your own airfare and take advantage of our "Land Only" options.

**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 sckness, 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 per person—not included in package price—will be added to each invoice. Your invoice will confirm the trip registration.

# THE BENEFITS OF REGISTERING ONLINE FOR YOUR PILGRIMAGE:

Over the last several years, our clients have requested more control over the trip booking process, payments, and, most importantly, communication about the trips. Our response to these comments and requests had taken two years to implement, but we are happy with the results. Select has committed to a major financial and time investment in building an online reservation system that is easy to navigate using your home computer, tablet, or smartphone. We have addressed most of the requests and suggestions provided by clients. The benefits of the new system to you are a simplified registration process, the ability to access your information at your convenience, review your payment history and get trip information while easily communicating with your Account Manager and group leader.

When you register online, you will receive regular email updates about your trip and useful tips and tricks for making your international travel more comfortable and enjoyable. And best of all, you can register online even if you prefer to pay by check or wire transfer; just choose that option upon checkout.

We understand that some people are not comfortable with technology and prefer to register via mail-in paper registration,

regardless of the many benefits of registering online. To make that easy, we have created a generic registration form on our website at <a href="https://selectinternationaltours.com/register-online/">https://selectinternationaltours.com/register-online/</a>. You may download and print the form, fill it out and mail it with your check to Select International Tours. However, before you choose to register by mail, please know that we cannot communicate with people who do not register online as frequently and seamlessly. And you may miss some important communication regarding balances and trip preparation, as well as communication from your group leaders. We want you to be in charge and be comfortable with the registration process; our job is to inform you so you can choose the best system for you.

To learn how easy it is to register online, please view THIS SHORT 6-minute VIDEO that explains the process at <a href="https://selectinternationaltours.com/register-online/">https://selectinternationaltours.com/register-online/</a>.

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