

10 Day Eucharistic Pilgrimage to Italy
visiting Rome, Alatri, Pietrelcina, San Giovanni Rotondo,
Lanciano, Assisi & Cascia

October 1 – 10, 2007

Tour No. CAS1001

Mon, Oct 1st: Miami/Rome - Depart Miami airport on your overnight flight to Rome.

Tue, Oct 2nd: Rome - Morning arrival in Rome and transfer to our hotel. En route we stop at St. Paul Outside the Walls for Mass. Upon arrival at our hotel, we have free time to rests. (D)

Wed, Oct 3rd: Rome/Papal Audience/Alatri/Rome - This morning we go to St. Peter's Square for the Papal Audience (provided the Holy Father is in residence). After the audience we visit St. Peter's Basilica. Next we travel to Alatri to see the Eucharistic Miracle. A young woman who was attracted to a young man was told to bring a consecrated Host so a love potion could be made. She received Communion and walked home but felt so guilty she hid Our Lord in a corner of the house. After a couple of days, she went to the Host only to find that it had turned the color of flesh. The parish priest was notified and took the Host to the Bishop. He wrote to Pope Gregory IX who in 1228 stated: "...we should express our most heartfelt thanks to Him who, while always operating in wonderful ways in all His deeds, on some occasions works miracles and performs ever new wonders in order to recall sinners to penance, convert the wicked and confound the evil deeds of heretics by strengthening the faith of the Catholic Church, supporting its hope and enkindling its charity. In 1978, the 750th anniversary of the Miracle, special celebrations were held to commemorate the event. After our visit, we return to Rome. (B,D)

Thu, Oct 4th: Rome/Pietrelcina/San Giovanni Rotondo - Morning departure to San Giovanni Rotondo. En route we stop at Pietrelcina, birthplace of Padre Pio. We visit his home, the Church of Santa Ana, where he was Baptized and then we have Mass at Santa Maria degli Angeli. Next we stop at Piana Romana to visit the place where Padre Pio received the invisible stigmata. After our visit, we continue to San Giovanni Rotondo where we visit the new Church. (B,D)

Fri, Oct 5th: San Giovanni Rotondo - Today we go to Santa Maria delle Grazie for Mass at the Tomb of Padre Pio followed by a visit to his cell. Free afternoon for private devotion. (B,D)

Sat: Oct 6th: San Giovanni Rotondo/St Michaels Cave/San Giovanni Rotondo -This morning we visit St. Michael's Cave, where St. Michael the Archangel appeared. (B,D)

Sun, Oct 7th: San Giovanni Rotondo/Lanciano/Assisi- Morning departure to Assisi. The most popular of the Eucharistic Miracles is the Miracle of Lanciano. A monk was having doubts and his doubts were growing stronger. One morning during Mass at the Consecration, he began to shake and tremble and faced the people to show them what had happened. The Host had turned to Flesh and the wine into Blood! This miracle took place nearly 1300 years ago and is ongoing. After our visit we continue to Assisi. (B,D)

Mon, Oct 8th: Assisi/Roccaporena- Today we visit the Basilica of Santa Maria degli Angeli where we will see the Porziuncula (the little Church St. Francis built). Next to the Upper City to visit the Basilicas of St. Francis and St. Clare. After our visit we continue to Roccaporena, birthplace of St. Rita. We visit her home and the Shrine of St. Rita. (B,D)

Tue, Oct 9th: Roccaporena/Cascia/Rome This morning we visit Cascia. St. Rita of Cascia and her incorrupt body lies in the Major Basilica. Below in the Minor Basilica is the Eucharistic Miracle and the remains of Blessed Simone Fidati. The miracle is commemorated each year on the Feast of Corpus Christi in Cascia. After our visit we continue to Rome. (B,D)

Wed, Oct 10th: Rome/USA - Morning departure to Rome airport for our return flight to the USA. (B)

Pilgrimage Price: \$ 2,329.00 Double Single Sup \$ 500.00

TOUR INCLUDES: Air Fare from Miami, Three & Four Star Hotels, Deluxe Motorcoach, sightseeing as per itinerary, Breakfast & Dinner Daily, Porterage (one piece of luggage) at hotels, Taxes & Service Charges, Daily Mass and Rosary.

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