

## Reservation Form

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Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate\*: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Price is per person double-occupancy. It is possible to have a single for a single supplement of \$400.

I am enclosing a check for \$500.00 to reserve my space on the "In The Footsteps of the Saints" Pilgrimage to Italy, February 11-21, 2015. (Deposit due immediately and no later than September 15, 2014). A second payment of \$1,500.00 is due by November 15, 2014 and I agree to pay the remaining balance in full by December 15, 2014.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Your deposit of \$500 is due immediately. Please make checks payable to "Stoppini Group Travel" and mail with this reservation form to **Francesca Stoppini, Stoppini Group Travel, 61 Douglas Pike, Uxbridge, MA 01569.**

### TRAVEL INSURANCE:

For your protection we highly recommend travel insurance. A travel protection brochure will be sent or given to you upon receipt of your deposit if you indicate that you are interested in this service. If you elect not to purchase insurance, you *must* sign the waiver indicating that insurance was offered and you declined. If you purchase insurance through a different agency, you *must* provide proof of insurance.

☐ Yes, please send me information about travel insurance  
☐ I decline travel insurance (signature required)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Stoppini Group Travel, LLC, 61 Douglas Pike, Uxbridge, MA 01569. Phone: 508-278-3636. Email: [stoppinigrouptravel@charter.net](mailto:stoppinigrouptravel@charter.net)

*Please send in a copy of your passport page along with this registration form so that we can prepare what is needed to cross the border and check into the hotels.*

## Essential Information

**Included in your pilgrimage:** Should you choose to join this pilgrimage from Stoppini Group Travel, LLC, your pilgrimage will include: a motorcoach transfer back and forth from Fall River to Logan Airport, from Rome's airport to your hotel upon arrival and from your hotel to the airport for your departure; all transportation throughout the tour by private, air-conditioned motor coach, including the handling of one suitcase per person; all entrance fees as per itinerary; beautiful hotels for all nights; breakfast and dinner provided daily as well as lunch on the day of our arrival. Not included are passport fees, items of a personal nature, laundry, meals not specified in the itinerary, and personal gratuities. *Please be advised that there is some walking expected on this tour, sometimes up steep hills, so pilgrims need to be fit enough to walk briskly.*

**Documents required:** All United States citizens require a valid passport, but do not require a visa for travel in Italy. Non-U.S. citizens must check entry requirements with their respective consulates.

**Subject to change:** This program is planned in advance, and therefore circumstances beyond our control may require that some changes be made in the actual tour operations; such as changing days of sightseeing, or substituting some sight that may be closed for another that is open. We reserve the right to vary the itinerary and substitute components of the tour program.

**\*Cost and Payment:** The cost of the pilgrimage is \$3,550 per person double-occupancy. For those who would like to have a single, the single supplement is an addition \$400. The air cost of the pilgrimage includes an estimated \$650 for air-taxes, which is a safe bet, but Italian laws are subject to change and if taxes increase, these costs will be passed on to the pilgrims. A deposit of \$500 is needed to secure a place on the pilgrimage. It is very important to send in your deposit immediately as space is limited. The payment of an additional \$1,500 is due by November 15, 2014 and the final payment by December 15, 2014. Please make your checks or money orders payable to "Stoppini Group Travel" and mail with this reservation form to **Francesca Stoppini, Stoppini Group Travel, LLC, 61 Douglas Pike, Uxbridge, MA 01569.**

**Cancellation and Refund Policy:** Your final trip payment is due by December 15, 2014. The following penalties are made if you cancel: From the time of reservation until November 14, 2014, \$500.00 is *non-refundable and non-transferable* per person. From November 15 to December 14, 2014, \$2,000.00 is *non refundable and non-transferable* per person. From December 15, 2013 to departure, 100% of the tour price is *non refundable and non-transferable* per person. If the trip is cancelled by Stoppini Group Travel due to insufficient numbers, your deposit will be refunded in full.

**Baggage Handling:** Stoppini Group Travel is responsible for the handling of one suitcase per person only. The airlines will only allow one free checked suitcase per person traveling internationally. All carry-on luggage is the sole responsibility of the passenger, both on the plane and in the bus.

# In the Footsteps of the Saints

*A Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi, and the Great Shrines of Italy*

*February 11-21, 2015*



**\$3,550\* per person double-occupancy**  
*(based on 40 pilgrims)*

Coordinated by  
**Stoppini Group Travel, LLC**



# Overview of Itinerary



Orvieto Cathedral

**Wednesday, February 11, Departure for Italy** – We will start our pilgrimage with Mass at St. Bernadette's in the morning for those who would like to come before heading to Logan Airport for our 9:45 am flight to Atlanta (Delta 1701), connecting for our 3:55 pm flight to Rome. After a great night's sleep, we will land in Rome at 7:30 am the following day.

**Thursday, February 12, Orvieto and Assisi** – After clearing passport control and

getting our bags, we will board the deluxe motor coach and head first to Orvieto, the picturesque mountain-top shrine where the Eucharistic miracle that gave rise to the feast of Corpus Christi is enshrined. We will have Mass, visit the beautiful cathedral and have lunch. From there we will head to Assisi to check in to our hotel and have dinner.



St. Francis Basilica in Assisi

**Friday, February 13, Assisi:** After breakfast in the Hotel, we will spend the entire day in Assisi, walking in the footsteps of St. Francis. We will have Mass in the Basilica built over his tomb and visit all the shrines associated with his life and the life of St. Claire. Lunch is on our own. A sumptuous dinner included.



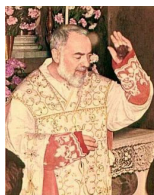
Holy House in Loreto

**Saturday, February 14, Assisi, Loreto, Lanciano and Monte Sant'Angelo:** After breakfast at the hotel and getting our stuff on the bus, we will head out to Loreto, the famous Marian shrine where there is special devotion to the Holy House of Nazareth, transported to Loreto in the 13th century. We will have Mass. Light lunch on our own for those interested. From there we will head to Lanciano, the site of the greatest Eucharistic miracle of all time (8th



St. Michael's Cave

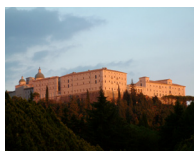
century), where the host turned into human heart muscle and the blood coagulated into five different pellets, all weighing the same. We will have a chance to adore Jesus in prayer and nourish our understanding of the



St. Padre Pio

miracle of the Eucharist. From there we will depart to Monte Sant'Angelo to check into our hotel and have dinner.

**Sunday, February 15, Monte Sant'Angelo and San Giovanni Rotondo:** After breakfast at our hotel, we will head to San Giovanni Rotondo, the place where St. Padre Pio, the famous stigmatist, confessor and miracle worker, lived and built up. We'll have Mass and spend several hours learning about him, venerating his body and various relics and having a chance to pray. After lunch on our own, we will return to visit Monte Sant'Angelo and visit the stupendous caves with the underground Churches where St. Michael the Archangel has been venerated since the sixth century. Then we'll return to our hotel for a great Sunday cena.



Monte Cassino

**Monday, February 16, Monte Sant'Angelo, Pictrelcina, Monte Cassino, Anzio and Rome** – After breakfast in our hotel and loading the bus, we will head to the beautiful town of Pictrelcina, the birthplace of St. Padre Pio, for Mass. Then we will head to the famous Benedictine Monastery of Monte Cassino, where St. Benedict and St. Scholastica are buried. A light lunch will be on our own. Next we will head to Anzio and visit the tomb of the 11 year old 1902 martyr and patron of purity, St. Maria Goretti and visit the American National Cemetery. Finally we will head to Rome to check into our hotel and sit down for a great dinner.



Practically the view from our hotel!

**Tuesday, February 17, Rome:** After breakfast in the hotel, we will head to St. Peter's Basilica for Mass, which we will request at the tomb of St. John Paul II. Then we will stay in the Basilica for a guided tour and arrange for visits in small groups to the excavations underneath the Basilica where the tomb of St. Peter was rediscovered last century. After lunch on our own, in the afternoon we will head to St. Paul's Outside the Walls, where St. Paul is buried, for a guided tour.

After freshening up, we will have a Mardi Gras dinner.

**Wednesday, February 18, Rome:** We will begin Ash Wednesday with a spartan breakfast at the hotel, before heading to St. Peter's Square for the general audience with Pope Francis. What a way to begin Lent! After lunch on our own, we will head in the afternoon to St. Mary Major for Ash Wednesday Mass. We will also



St. Pio's Birthplace



St. Maria Goretti



St. Mary Major where we will have Mass Ash Wed.

visit two very Lenten Churches, Rome's famous "Bone Church" to help us to reflect on the reality that we are dust and unto dust we shall return as well as to the beautiful Church of St. Praxedes, which houses part of the column on which Jesus was scourged. Our one main meal of the day will take place at night as we get Lent off to a truly prayer, papal, Marian and great start!



The Colosseum at Night



The Bone Church

**Thursday, February 19, Rome** – After breakfast in the hotel, we will take the bus to the Pope's Cathedral, St. John Lateran Archbasilica, for Mass and a visit. We will also visit St. John Lateran's ancient and famous baptistry, the Scala Sancta containing the staircase from Pontius Pilate's Praetorium that St. Helen brought to Rome and on which we believe Jesus would have been on Good Friday, and the Church of Holy Cross in Jerusalem, containing the relics of the Passion (a part of the crown of thorns, Christ's Cross' title plate, one of the nails that pierced him, a part of the column of scourging and more). After a light lunch on our own, we will visit the catacombs. On the way back, we will stop to visit the Colosseum and forum of ancient Rome. We will have dinner as a group in the evening.



The Holy Stairs

**Friday, February 20, Rome:** After breakfast in our hotel, we will head for a tour of the Vatican Museums and the Sistine Chapel. After lunch on our own, pilgrims may either spend the afternoon shopping or come on a three-hour walking tour of various saints and gorgeous Churches with Fr. Landry. We will convene for Mass at night and head for our final dinner, observing of course our Lenten Friday abstinence.



St. Paul's Outside the Walls

**Saturday, February 21, Rome, Boston, Home:** After an optional morning Mass in our hotel and breakfast, we will load the bus and head to the airport for our 10:15 am flight back to the United States, where we will connect in Atlanta and arrive back in Boston at 8:25 pm. From there we will travel by motorcoach back to Fall River where we will finish the pilgrimage with a short visit in the Chapel and then continue our Lenten pilgrimage and pilgrimage strengthened and energized for the journey!



The Sistine Chapel