

Italy Pilgrimage

AUGUST 27 – SEPTEMBER 5, 2025



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More than a trip, the STMA pilgrimage to Italy has been designed from the ground up to be an authentically Catholic spiritual journey and capstone experience, integrating key aspects of our mission and curriculum: growth in faith, formation in virtue, and learning in the books of nature and revelation.



ITINERARY AUGUST 27 – SEPTEMBER 5, 2025

DAY 1 AUGUST 27	Depart U.S. on group flight to Rome
DAY 2 AUGUST 28	Arrive in Rome and transfer to Assisi. Celebrate Mass at Santa Maria degli Angeli, where Francis started the Franciscan Order
DAY 3 AUGUST 29	Visit La Verna, where Francis received the Stigmata. After Mass, hike the first leg of the Via di Francesco through Casentinesi Forests National Park. (15 km hike)
DAY 4 AUGUST 30	Celebrate Mass in Gubbio, where Francis first put on what would become the Franciscan habit and where he famously tamed a wolf. Hike up to the Abbey of San'Ubaldo and the fortress of Mount Ignino. (20 km hike)
DAY 5 AUGUST 31	Begin with Mass in Tenni, then hike down to Greccio, where Francis created the first nativity scene in 1223. (20 km hike)
DAY 6 SEPTEMBER 1	Mass in the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi, where the saint is buried. Free time to explore the city.
DAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2	Depart for Rome to experience the ancient Church with Mass and tour at the Basilica of San Clemente and its excavations, plus an afternoon visit to the Colosseum.
DAY 8 SEPTEMBER 3	Mass at St. Peter's Basilica, followed by a tour. Afternoon visits to the Basilica of Santa Croce, the Holy Stairs, and St. John Lateran.
DAY 9 SEPTEMBER 4	Morning entrance to the Vatican museums. An afternoon city center walking tour to explore the piazzas and churches of Rome. Closing Mass followed by a farewell dinner.
DAY 10 SEPTEMBER 5	Depart for the U.S.



CORE PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Opportunity for daily Mass
- Round-trip airfare from Chicago O'Hare
- Private transportation on motorcoach
- Accommodations
- Meals as indicated on the detailed itinerary
- Tickets for included activities
- Spiritual and logistical preparation resources, including custom booklet



REGISTRATION



PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- March 31: \$500 deposit due
- May 30: \$1500 due
- July 15: Remaining balance due

\$4,161 /person

OPTIONS

- Single room supplement (limited availability) +\$609 /person
- Optional Travel Protection Plan Varies depending on trip cost

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Note: Mr. Ouellette, Director of Mission Advancement, will be teaching students how to write letters and talk to family and friends about supporting them financially and spiritually on this pilgrimage.