



# SAINT AGNES SCHOOL

Rooted In Faith & Tradition ~ Growing In Wisdom

## Pilgrimage to Assisi, San Giovanni Rotondo, Lanciano & Rome, Italy November 10-19, 2011

### Day One- Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup> – Minneapolis to Rome

Luggage gathered at 8:00 am; School Mass @ 9:30; Board buses at 10:45a  
Drive to Cathedral at 11:00 a.m. for a blessing from Archbishop Nienstedt  
Depart for Airport @ 11:20 a.m. Arrive @ 12:00 p.m., international flt  
Depart MSP for Rome via Philadelphia on **US Airways** Flight 1886/718  
Dep. MSP @ 1:51p; Arr. PHL @ 5:20p Dep PHL 6:20p...Arr FCO 8:55a +1



### Day Two- Friday November 11<sup>th</sup> – Rome to Assisi

Arrive Rome @ 8:55 a.m. baggage + customs

Meet Driver; Transport to Assisi by private motor Coach

Stop at Umbrian city of Orvieto for visit to the magnificent Duomo (Cathedral); Mass @ 12:15; Visit to Pozzo di San Patrizio (St. Patrick's Well) an engineering marvel, w/ 248 steps down. Lunch in Orvieto; re-board bus for Assisi. Dinner and Overnight at hotel *Papa Casa Giovanni*- Try to fight the temptation to nap!



### Day Three- Saturday November 12<sup>th</sup> – Assisi

Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. (Try the coffee mixed with hot milk-Delicious!)

Mass at the Chapel of Peace @ 9:00 a.m. at the Basilica of St. Francis

English tour of Basilica @ 9:45 a.m.; Shop for Religious Goods (to be blessed by Pope @ Wed. Audience); Pranzo (Lunch) back at Papa Casa Giovanni @ 1:00 p.m.; Basilica of Saint Clare @2:00pm

Visit the medieval Castle *La Rocca Maggiore* at "top" of city (Incredible views); Pilgrimage hike to Hermitage of St. Francis/weather permitting  
Pizza dinner in a local restaurant (included); REAL Italian pizza.

### Day Four- Sunday November 13<sup>th</sup> – Assisi/Lanciano/San Giovanni Rotondo. Breakfast and depart @ 8:30 a.m. via private coach

Morning visit to Hermitage of St. Francis- panoramic view of Umbrian Hills; Travel Lanciano, site of Eucharistic Miracle; Sunday Mass @ Lanciano

Transport to S. G. Rotondo in afternoon.

Check into Padre Pio **Centro di Spiritualita** Hotel; excellent dinner at hotel

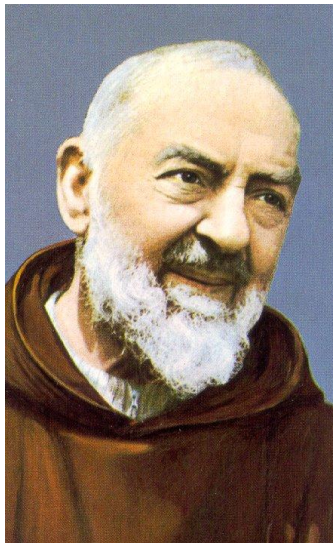
**Day Five- Monday November 14<sup>th</sup>** – San Giovanni Rotondo

Mass at 9:15 a.m. at the old Friary Chapel; Video of life of St. Pio

@ 10:15 a.m. Explore hometown of St. Padre Pio; New Basilica; old Church where he ministered. Venerate the tomb of Padre Pio in new Basilica.

Lunch at hotel; trip to St. Michael the Archangel Shrine. See the beautiful Adriatic Sea. Tour of Shrine @ 3:00 p.m.; Return to Hotel in time for a delicious dinner at the \*\*\* hotel.

Evening Penance Service in chapel. Prepare and pack for **very early** morning departure.



**Day Six- Tuesday November 15<sup>th</sup>** – San Giovanni Rotondo/Foggia/Rome

Depart SGRotondo @ 7:15 a.m. in bus; board Train in Foggia @8:23a.m. Arrive in Rome at 11:15 a.m. Private bus transfer to pilgrimage hotel at Montemario; drop off luggage, return immediately to city center; lunch *en route* before beginning city tour.

**Afternoon: Ancient Rome Walking Tour**

- **Tour of Colosseum- site of ancient Games and martyrdom of Christians**
- **Church of Santa Sabina/Knights of Malta- great views of city**
- **Tour the Church of San Pietro in Vincolo St. Peter in Chains with its Michelangelo *Statue of Moses*.**
- **Visit to Major Basilica of Saint Mary Major- Mass @ 4:00 p.m. at Borghese Chapel of the Basilica**
- Pick up Tickets for Papal Audience at *Casa Santa Maria*, residence of U.S. priests
- Visit the famous **Trevi Fountain**, (Don't forget to throw in a coin!)

**Day Seven- Wednesday November 16<sup>th</sup> – Rome**

Wednesday General Audience with Pope Benedict XVI

Fr. Ubel arrives **early**—secures best seats on a first come first serve basis

General Audience with Pope Benedict XVI @ 10:30 a.m.

Lunch at North American College (NAC), American seminary in Rome

Tour of beautiful seminary grounds to follow after Lunch

Late Afternoon Visit to the **Church of San Agnes Outside the Walls**

(her martyrdom and burial site)

Mass at San Agnese Fuori le mura

@ 4:00 p.m.; Dinner at Hotel/Calls Home



**Day Eight- Thursday Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> – Rome**

Visit the **Pantheon** (2<sup>nd</sup> c.- still standing!)

and **Piazza Navona** (most famous public gathering place; **lots** of activity)

Visit to other key Catholic sites and cultural sites in Rome:

- San Luigi and Francesco (Caravaggio's painting 'Call of St. Matthew')

Travel to *Piazza dell Cancelleria* for our Private Audience with

Cardinal Raymond Burke, **Prefect of the Apostolic Signatura** @ 12:00 p.m.

Visit Catacombs of **San Callisto**- Tour and 3:00 pm Mass at Catacombs!

Visit to **Basilica of St. John Lateran** & the ancient **Scala Santa**



**Day Nine- Friday November 18<sup>th</sup>**

Mass at **Saint Peter's Basilica**, Clementine Chapel @ 8:00 a.m.

**Cupola** @ 9:00; **Vatican Museums** and the **Sistine Chapel** @ 10:00 a.m.

**Afternoon Activities- St. Paul Fuori le Mura and Souvenirs**

**Day Ten- Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup> – Rome to MSP (via Philadelphia)**

Leave hotel @ 9:00 a.m. following breakfast/packing (private shuttle bus)

Depart Rome (US Air # 719 ) @ 11:50a—arrive PHL @ 3:50p (Customs)

Dep. PHL (US Air #1849) @ 6:20p---arrive MSP 8:30p

