

Itinerary for Rome Pilgrimage

We anticipate that this is the final itinerary. However, there could be circumstances beyond our control, (including changes in special permissions) that may require occasional modification.

1) Friday, March 31

H. 9.30 Arrive Fiumicino Airport –

H. 10:00 Visit Pantheon and Sopra Minerva Church (*site of tomb of St. Catherine of Siena*)
Catherine of Siena Prayer and Reflection

H. 12:00 Lunch

H. 13:00 To St. Emilia's guesthouse to unpack and relax.

Free afternoon. Those who wish can join Chris Schenk in walk to St. Peter's rotunda and Castel Angelo (20-30 min each way)

8:00 p.m. Archaeology Lecture by Dr. Dorothy Irvin

2) Saturday, April 1

H. 09.00 Catacomb of Priscilla including *Capella Greca, (Greek Chapel) the Capella della Velatio (of the Veiling) and 2 other frescoes of the Virgin Mary, and the Portico* Site of frescos of women deacon and priest with portrayal of Mary the Mother of Jesus as a Bishop
Prisca Prayer and Reflection

H. 10.00 Church of Santa Costanza (Costantine's daughter) and St. Agnes

H. 12.00 Site of beheading of St. Paul "Tre Fontane"

Free afternoon in Rome.

H. 8:00 p.m. Archaeology Lecture by Dr. Dorothy Irvin

3) Sunday, April 2

H. 8.30 Departure from hotel

H. 9:00 St. Susanna Mass at 9 Paulist fathers (American community in Rome)

H. 11.00 Church of St. Pudentiana: *Site of public baths built by original Roman Senatorial family Christians came in on one side in secret (mosaics and frescos here show early women ministers)*

H. 12.00 National Museum

H. 14.00 Church of St. Mary Major *We will view early church mosaics*

H. 15.30 Church of St. Praxidis (*Site of Theodora Episcopa mosaic and mosaics of Praxedis and Pudentiana with St. Peter and Paul*)

Phoebe/Mary of Nazareth Prayer and Reflection

H. 8:00 p.m. Archaeology Lecture by Dr. Dorothy Irvin

4) Monday, April 3

H. 8:30 Catacomb of St. Callistas

H. 10.45 Catacomb of St. Domitilla *Fresco of St. Petronella and St. Veneranda, Sarcophogai in Atrium.tomb inscriptions*

H. 11.30 Catacomb of St. Sebastian *graffiti wall symbols...scene of eucharist*
QUO VADIS Church

H. 12.30 OR 13.00 LUNCH EN ROUTE TO OSTIA OR IN OSTIA

H. 13.30 – 15.30, Ostia *A completely excavated early Roman community in a more rural setting, where St. Monica and St. Augustine lived and Monica died Gives an idea of Roman life in the Christian Period as well as a good idea of the Roman legal system and legal status of women. Includes a museum of artifacts*
Visit Church of the Bishop of Ostia

Monica Prayer and Reflection

H. 8:00 p.m. **Archaeology Lecture by Dr. Dorothy Irvin**

5) Tuesday, April 4

9.00 Colosseum, Roman Forum, Mamertine Prison *Site of St. Peter's imprisonment and martyrdom of early Christians*

Perpetua and Felicity Prayer and Reflection

13.00 Lunch

14.00 Church of San Clemente . *The preserved Mithras altars and taurobolium installation below the Church of San Clemente show existing religion, while the frescoes in the same church depict later Christianity.*

H. 8:00 p.m. **Archaeology Lecture by Dr. Dorothy Irvin**

6) Wednesday, April 5

H. 7.00 Departure from the hotel to Assisi

H. 9.00 Assisi with guide half day

Claire Prayer and Reflection

H. 13.00 Lunch

Free afternoon in Assisi

Depart 3-4 p.m.

H. 8:00 p.m. **Archaeology Lecture by Dr. Dorothy Irvin**

7) Thursday, April 6

H. 8.30 Guided tour to Vatican Museum, then Sistine chapel and St. Peter, Tombs of Popes (including JP II)

H. 12.30 Lunch

H. 14.30 Excavations beneath St. Peter's with Vatican guide -

H. 15.30 Saint Peter's Basilica

Anonymous Women Prayer and Reflection

8) Friday, April 7

Free day

Or, for those who wish, possible visit to catacomb of PETRUS AND MARCELLINUS
And/or catacombs in the VIA LATINA **with Dr. Dorothy Irvin**

9) Saturday, April 8

8:15 leave guesthouse for return to New York/US