## NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL LOURDES & ITALY PILGRIMAGE 11 Days: December 1 - 11, 2025

Visiting LOURDES \* AVIGNON \* NICE \* FLORENCE \* ASSISI \* ROME

Including

THE OPPORTUNITY TO PASS THROUGH THE HOLY DOORS OF THE BASILICA OF ST. PETER IN VATICAN CITY & THE OTHER 3 MAJOR BASILICAS

Hosted by

# FR. SANTOS SUNNY CASTILLO

## **\$4399 PER PERSON FROM CHICAGO**

(Air/land tour price is \$3869 plus \$530 government taxes/airline surcharges)



### **TOUR FEATURES:**

- Round trip airfare from Chicago
- \$530 government taxes & airline surcharges
- Accommodations in first class/select hotels based on 2 persons sharing in twin-bedded rooms with private bath
- Most meals
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour director
- Comprehensive sightseeing throughout
- All admission fees and hotel service charges
- Transfers to/from airports by private motorcoach including meeting/assistance

## DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

#### CHICAGO/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC MONDAY, DECEMBER 1

Depart Chicago today on-board your overnight transatlantic jet flight to France, arriving the following day. En route enjoy dinner and onboard activities.

#### ARRIVE FRANCE/LOURDES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2

Your Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage of Hope begins with your arrival in France. Proceed to the shrine city of Lourdes where Mary appeared in 1858 to a young shepherd girl. (D)

#### LOURDES

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3

Between February 11 and July 16, 1858, the Virgin Mary appeared in the Grotto of Mas-

sabielle to the poor shepherd girl, Bernadette, a total of 18 times. Scratching the ground as instructed by the Virgin, Bernadette saw a miraculous spring well up where none had existed before. Visit the places associated with the life of St. Bernadette including the Grotto of Apparitions, Rosary Basilica, Basilica of St. Pius X



and the Way of the Cross over the Hillside. Attend the Blessed Sacrament Procession and the Torchlight Procession, if taking place. (B,D)





#### LOURDES/CARCASSONE/AVIGNON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4

Drive to Tarbes and proceed through the province of Languedoc to Carcassone, the greatest fortress city in Europe. In the 8th century, the city withstood a siege by Charlemagne for five years. Some of the fortifying walls still standing were built by the Romans in the 3rd and 4th centuries. Continue to Avignon in the Provence region. Six French Popes reigned here before the Papacy was returned to Rome in 1377. (B,D)

#### AVIGNON/NICE

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

On your morning tour of Avignon, visit the imposing Palace of the Popes, a magnificent example of medieval architecture, and Notre Dame Cathedral. Continue through Provence to the Grand Dame of French Riviera resort cities, Nice, situated on the beautiful Bay of Angels. Tour the old town and the flower market and drive along the famous Promenade des Anglais. (B)

#### NICE/GENOA/FLORENCE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6

Cross the border into Italy this morning and drive along the Tyrenian coast to historic Genoa, the port city that was home to Christopher Columbus. Then continue to Florence, the cradle of Renaissance Art and former stronghold of the Medici family. (B,D)

#### **FLORENCE/ASSISI**

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

This morning your sightseeing tour takes you to the Piazza della Signoria, where the Neptune Fountain stands, the Santa Croce Church, Giotto's Bell Tower, and the Bap-



tistry with Ghiberti's "Gates of Paradise" doors. To top it all, visit the Academia to see Michelangelo's original statue of David. In the afternoon, depart Florence for Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis. (B,D)

#### ASSISI/ROME

#### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 8**

On your tour of Assisi, visit the great Basilica of St. Francis, the Church of St. Clare and Santa Maria degli Angeli with its 'thornless rose bush'. This afternoon drive on the Autostrada del Sole to the region of Lazio and the unforgettable and Eternal City of Rome. Located in the center of the Region of Lazio, Rome is a reflection of every era. The wonders of Rome surround you...a world of art, history and culture that has been attracting visitors since the beginning of Western civilization. (B)

#### ROME

#### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9**

Your sightseeing tour this morning takes you to Vatican City including visits to the Vatican Museum and Gallery and the Sistine Chapel with Michelangelo's magnificent frescoes. End your morning tour at the Basilica of St. Peter and pass through the Holy Doors symbolizing a union with our Lord. This afternoon, explore "Ancient" Rome. See the legendary Trevi Fountain and the mighty Colosseum where Christians were once thrown to the lions. (B)

#### ROME - PAPAL AUDIENCE WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10

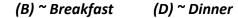


This morning attend an Audience with Our Holy Father, Pope Francis. . This afternoon visit the Basilicas of St. Mary Major, St. John Lateran and St. Paul's outside the Walls., and walk through the open Holy Doors. Next visit the Catacombs, the former underground burial grounds of early Christians. (B,D)

#### ROME/CHICAGO

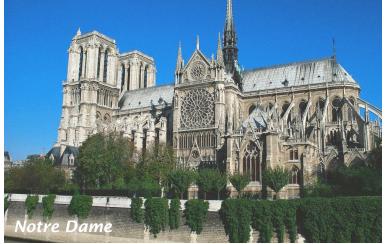
#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

With vivid memories of Lourdes and Italy, transfer to the airport and board your return flight back to the Chicago, arriving the same day. (B)













#### **TOUR-SPECIFIC INFORMATION** PAYMENT SCHEDULE: For terms and conditions please visit: Reservations may be secured upon payment of a https://www.nawas.com/terms-and-conditions/italy2025/ deposit. Taxes/Airline Surcharges: In effect on June 28, 2024. A \$800 deposit is due with your reservation Hotel Service Charges/Taxes: In effect on June 28, 2024 (excluding hotel tourist taxes). Final payment is due at NAWAS 130 days prior to departure date (July 24, 2025).\* Airfare: In effect on June 28, 2024. Land Costs: Based on estimated 2025 tariffs, overseas gov-\*Gratuities, Mass donation and Hotel City Tourist Taxes ernment taxes and rates of exchange in effect on June 28, will be collected at final payment. 2024 and a minimum of 36 or more participants per coach.

### **Customer Reviews:**

"It's been my extreme pleasure to benefit from your invaluable assistance with my tours — 97 so far — for the past 28 years. I wouldn't dream of letting anyone else handle the many details involved in making these difficult, exotic itineraries a success, as evidenced by my many repeat clients and their referrals. Your superb attention to detail, your honesty, and your friendship are greatly appreciated. You can count on Nawas being my 'one and only' for many years to come." --Ms. M.B., California

"As always, the arrangements for our pilgrimage by Nawas were excellent. To a person, those on the tour were filled with praise for the trip. Everything was A+." --Monsignor R.S., Utah

"You people make this easy. Everything was out-standing. Those who have been on other trips have come to expect quality and they get it!" --Father P.T., Ohio

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#### 11 DAYS LOURDES & ITALY PILGRIMAGE YEAR OF JUBILEE 2025 \* RESERVATION FORM \*

#### MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

#### MAIL TO:

Fr. Sunny Castillo Mary Queen of Heaven Church 442 N West Avenue Elmhurst, IL 60126-2128 Tel: (847) 207-1833 Email: frcastillo@maryqueen.org

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS DESIRED:**

 $\Box$  double room sharing with

□ single room (\$1,100 extra per person) (Single Rooms are <u>limited</u> and available on a first come, first served basis)

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as Deposit (\$800 per person) for \_\_\_\_ person(s)

Please include a clear photocopy of your Passport with this Reservation Form Clearly print your full name (last/first/middle) as it appears on your passport:

| Passenger #1                                   | Passenger #2                                   |
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You understand that this reservation form serves as your acceptance of the policies of our Terms and Conditions including our cancellation policies, which can be found at https://www.nawas.com/terms-and-conditions/italy2025/. You should read our Terms and Conditions including our cancellation policies in their entirety before making any booking. If you are unable to access the Terms and Conditions on the NAWAS website, you must contact us in writing prior to booking the tour so that we may send you a copy by mail. You acknowledge that this tour has tour-specific conditions that are detailed in the "Tour-Specific Information" section of this brochure and that these details are hereby made a part of your agreement with us and with our Terms and Conditions. By signing this form, you acknowledge that you have visited the aforementioned web address where our Terms and Conditions are located and that you have read our Terms and Conditions in their entirety, fully understand them, and agree to them. If unable to access the NAWAS website, you acknowledge that you have contacted us prior to booking the tour, received a copy of our Terms and Conditions and read our Terms and Conditions in their entirety, fully understand them, and agree to them. You under-stand that the air-inclusive tour you are purchasing is subject to supplemental price increases that may be imposed after the date of purchase. Post-purchase price increases may be applied due to additional costs imposed by a supplier or government. You acknowledge that you may be charged additional sums by Nawas International Travel Service, Inc. to offset increased fees, taxes, airline imposed international surcharges, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination thereof along with any other items as outlined in our Terms and Conditions. You have read the applicable California disclosures in our Terms and Conditions.

Signature Passenger # 1

Date

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