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Italy: A Visual Theology Pilgrimage from Rome to Venice

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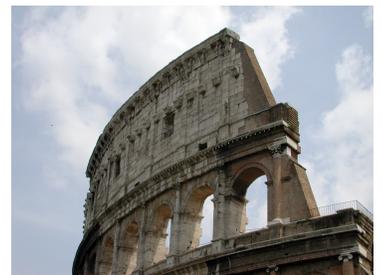
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Fort Collins, Colorado**

April 18 - May 2, 2020

At a recent meeting, biblical scholar John Dominic Crossan described his way of approaching the study of art, archeology, and architecture as “visual theology.” Unlike the study of art history just on its own, visual theology begs the question, “So what did it mean?” What does a 5th century mosaic in Ravenna say about Christianity during the fall of Rome? What does a Paleochristian site under St. Peter’s Basilica say about Christianity under the Empire? What does a fresco in the subterranean reaches of fifth-century church say about the ways they saw resurrection? What can a Byzantine icon impart about the ways different peoples and cultures have experience Christ? And the biggest question for pilgrims is **What does that art, architecture, and archeology say to me about the way I live my faith in the 21st century?**

Join the Rev. Hal Chorpenning and the Rev. Jane Anne Ferguson, clergy who have led pilgrimages in Ireland and Scotland as they invite you to experience what they have seen and learned in previous trips to Italy.

Day 1, Saturday - April 18, 2020: We depart from the **Denver Airport** for our flight to **Rome** via **Munich** on **United** and **Lufthansa Airlines**. **M**



Day 2, Sunday - April 19: We meet our guide and driver at the airport. Our first stop is the **Church of Santa Sabina all’Aventino**, which offers a splendid view of **Rome**. We enter through the original doors with scenes from the Old and New Testaments carved in cypress wood in the eleventh century. We continue to our hotel for our “**Welcome to Italy**” dinner and overnight in **Rome**. **D**



Day 3, Monday - April 20: We enjoy a lovely breakfast at our hotel before we set out for a tour of **Rome**. We visit the **Colosseum**, **Roma Forum**, and **Santa Maria in Antiqua**. We have time for lunch on our own, and then we visit the **Musei Capitolini**, the oldest national museum in the world founded in 1471. We return to our hotel for some free time before dinner and overnight in **Rome**. **BD**

Day 4, Tuesday - April 21: After breakfast, we visit the **Vatican Museums, St Peter's Basilica, and Scavi of San Pietro**. We have lunch on our own, and then we visit the **Church of San Clemente**. We have dinner at a local restaurant, we return to our hotel for overnight in **Rome. BD**



Day 5, Wednesday - April 22: Today, we enjoy a half-day tour including the **Catacombs of San Callisto** and the **Church of Santa Prassede**. We return to our hotel for an afternoon free to explore **Rome** on our own. We have dinner and overnight in **Rome. BD**

Day 6, Thursday - April 23: After breakfast, we say goodbye to **Rome** as we depart for **Siena**. On the way, we visit **Orvieto** and the **Church of San Giovenale** where we view amazing frescos. We visit the **Duomo di Orvieto** and the **Paleochristian Church of Sant'Andrea**. We continue to our hotel and have some free time before dinner and overnight in **Siena. BD**

Day 7, Friday - April 24: After a leisurely breakfast, we set out for a tour of **Assisi**, the birthplace of Saint Francis and one of the prettiest cities in Italy, with pink and ivory-colored stone buildings and captivating views. We enjoy a guided walking tour including the gothic-style **Saint Clare Church**, built in 1265, and the **Basilica of Saint Francis**, which contains the **Upper Church** and the **Lower Church**, plus several monastic structures. We continue to **Piazza del Comune**, the pulse of **Assisi**, and admire the **Temple of Minerva**, a fine example of Roman architecture, and the **Torre Civica**, an early-1300s bell tower. We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight in **Siena. BD**



Day 8, Saturday - April 25: We enjoy a special treat today - the **Super Chianti Tour in Tuscany**. We visit the **Chianti** and **Chianti Classico** wine regions touring the vineyards and tasting exquisite wines and cheeses. We have lunch at the famous butcher, **Dario Cecchini**, with a sampling of meats and Bistecca. We have some free time in the village of **Greve** to shop the artisanal markets, continue wine tasting, or just relax in a café. We return to our hotel where we have dinner on our own this evening in **Siena. BL**

Day 9, Sunday - April 26: After breakfast, we tour **San Pietro alle Scale**, a Roman Catholic Church originally built in the twelfth century and rebuilt in the Baroque style in the seventeenth century. We visit the **Duomo di Siena** including the **Crypt** and **Museum**. This afternoon, we visit the **Museum of Santa Maria della Scala**, with its labyrinth of hallways and colorful frescoes. We attend sung Eucharist at **St. Peter's Anglican Church** before we return to our hotel for dinner and overnight in **Siena. BD8i**



Day 10, Monday - April 27: Today, we enjoy a full day of touring the magnificent city of **Florence**. We visit the **Duomo, Baptistry, Crypt, and Museum**. We continue to the **Gallery of Accademia**, a gallery of pre nineteenth century art. We attend vespers at **San Miniato** before returning to our hotel for dinner and overnight in **Florence. BD**

Day 11, Tuesday - April 28: After breakfast at our hotel, we visit the **Museum of St. Marco** and the famous **Uffizi Gallery** where we see masterpieces from the fourteenth century and Renaissance period. We have the afternoon at our leisure to explore this amazing city and dinner on our own this evening. We overnight in **Florence. B**

Day 12, Wednesday - April 29: We bid farewell to **Florence** and continue our journey to **Ravenna**, the city of mosaics. We visit the **Basilica of San Vitale**, one of the most important examples of early Byzantine art and architecture. We continue to the splendid **Mausoleum of Galla Placidia** and marvel at the mosaics. We end our day with a visit to the **Basilica of Sant'Apollinare in Classe**. We check into our hotel and have dinner and overnight in **Ravenna. BD**

Day 13, Thursday - April 30: Today we set out for the magnificent city of **Venice**. We take the vaporetto, waterbus, into the city. We visit **Saint Mark's Basilica**, the most famous of the city's churches and one of the best examples of Italo-Byzantine architecture. We have time for lunch on our own before we continue our tour of **Venice**. We experience amazing Venetian Renaissance art at **Santa Maria Gloriosa dei Frari**, usually referred to as the **Frari**. Our dinner tonight is at the delightful **Trattoria San Tomà in Venice**. After dinner, we continue to **Padua** where we check into our hotel for overnight. **BD**

Day 14, Friday - May 1: After breakfast, we visit **Scrovegni Chapel** in **Padua**, where we view stunning frescos by Giotto completed in 1305. We have the rest of the day to explore **Padua** or to return to **Venice** for independent site seeing. We have our farewell dinner and overnight in **Padua. BD**

Day 15, Saturday - May 2: We enjoy breakfast at our hotel before departing for the **Venice Airport** for our return flight home via **Frankfurt. BM**

B – Breakfast L – Lunch D – Dinner M – Meals on Aircraft

Itinerary is subject to change due to local conditions or at the discretion of the leaders.

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Price is based on double occupancy:
15-20 participants \$7,499.00*
Single supplement \$999.00 (limited space)

***Pricing includes airline taxes & fuel surcharges and are subject to change until the tickets are issued. Optional activities and sites visited during your free time are not included in the cost of the pilgrimage and are to be paid for at the time of your visit. Tips for the driver and guide are payable upon completion of services.**

**Deposit of \$1,000.00 per person due by November 30, 2019
with reservation form and a copy of passport**

Final Payment Due by January 10, 2020

General Information Terms and Conditions

AIR TRANSPORTATION: Round trip economy airline reservations on regularly scheduled airlines.

HOTELS: Rooms with private bath/shower based on double occupancy (two persons sharing). Hotel rating - Deluxe, First Class, Superior Tourist or Tourist are used unless otherwise specified by leader (hotel category is chosen by the group leader). Guest Houses, Retreat Centers & Bed and Breakfasts may have communal rooming arrangements and facilities. Single room accommodation is subject to a surcharge. Hotels are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.

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Reference Number #CT20011 – Chorpensing Italy
Air from Denver, CO

Please send a copy of your passport with your reservation form and deposit.

Name: Mr. Mrs. Ms. Dr.

(As appears on your passport)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Phone: Home (____) _____ Cell (____) _____
(Parent or legal guardian if under 18)

Email: _____ Special Dietary Needs: _____
(Parent or legal guardian if under 18)

Global Entry/TSA#: _____ United FF# _____

Airline Seating Request: Window ____ Aisle ____ With Whom? _____

Pricing per pilgrim based on double occupancy. Price reflects a 3% cash discount.
All major credit cards accepted for final payment only.

- Double Occupancy: 15-20 pilgrims: \$7,499.00*
- Single Supplement: \$999.00 (limited space)
- Roommate Needed: If a roommate cannot be found, I understand that I will be charged for the single supplement.

Roommate Request: _____

* Price includes airline taxes and fuel surcharges and is subject to change until the airline tickets are issued. Any changes will be reflected on your final invoice. Tips for the driver and guide are not included and are payable upon completion of services. Optional activities and sites visited during your free time are not included in the cost of the pilgrimage and are to be paid for at the time of your visit.

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CANCELATION PENALTY

Until January 10, 2020	\$500.00 plus any unrecoverable fees
January 11, 2020 or later	No Refund

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