



**TEKTON MINISTRIES**  
Encounter Christ on a Catholic Pilgrimage

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***CROATIAN FRANCISCANS INVITE YOU ON A  
PILGRIMAGE TO THE SAINTS AND SHRINES OF***

**ITALY**

**March 9-19, 2026**



# A TRULY CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE

*A pilgrimage to Italy is a walk into layers of history, art, human drama, and deep faith. Your feet touch soil left by ancient Romans 3,000 years ago as you walk in the footsteps of martyrs, saints, popes, and ancient civilizations. See where the foundations of the Catholic faith are displayed to the eyes of the world. Come visit the places where the saints healed the sick, grew the faith, and where the Church still proclaims the gospel of Christ in all its glory.*



St. Peter's Basilica

## *Itinerary includes:*

### **ASSISI**

- See the Porziuncola, the tiny church in the woods where St. Francis began his ministry
- Explore the Convent of San Damiano, where the miracle of the Eucharist of 1211 took place, and where Jesus spoke to St. Francis from the crucifix
- Venerate the burial places of St. Francis and St. Clare, as well as one of our newest saints – Carlo Acutis
- Visit La Verna, where Francis received the stigmata

### **CASCIA**

- Visit the Shrine of St. Rita and venerate the Eucharistic Miracle of Cascia

### **GRECCIO**

- Venerate the Franciscan convent of Greccio and the Chapel of the Crib, where the Baby Jesus miraculously appeared in the manger

### **ROME**

- Explore the Basilicas of St. Peter, St. Paul, St. Mary Major, and St. John Lateran
- Walk through the Vatican Museums, which house artifacts from around the world, and marvel at the wonders of the Sistine Chapel
- Climb the Holy Stairs and descend into the catacombs
- Venerate the relics of numerous saints, including the burial site of our patron, St. Jerome
- Journey to ancient Rome as we view the Forum, Colosseum, the Pantheon, and the Circus Maximus
- Marvel at the unique art and architecture in the myriad churches throughout the city
- Take a day trip to Subiaco, where St. Benedict began writing his Rule of Life
- Visit churches important to our Croatian and Franciscan Heritage, including the Croatian Church of St. Jerome and The Franciscan church of Santa Maria in Aracoeli

**Estimated Base Price: \$4,200**

*Includes base airfare, double occupancy, accommodations, transportation, breakfast daily, dinners as per final itinerary, and entrance fees.*

*Not included: air taxes/fuel surcharges (est. \$700) or gratuities (\$150).*

*Final pricing and brochure available late spring 2025*

**Register at [TektonMinistries.org](https://www.tektonministries.org)**

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**Tekton Ministries** has been leading Catholic pilgrimages for more than 25 years. Working closely with your priest to create thoughtfully planned itineraries, we help make the Catholic faith more tangible to your daily life by taking you to the heart of our Mother Church today. Daily Mass and time for prayerful reflection are important parts of each day's experience.