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Alumni and Friends Heritage Tour

May 25–June 1, 2022

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Rick Trietley,
interim president,
and Fr. Conrad
Targonski, OFM,
university chaplain.*

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From	To	Location	Activity
DAY 1 – ARRIVAL IN ROME AND AMALFI COAST (ARRIVAL ON WEDNESDAY)			
Open time for arrivals	Leave FCO 11:30 a.m.	Rome – Airport	We will welcome you at Fiumicino airport and prepare for our transfer to the Amalfi Coast. We will leave the Rome FCO Airport by 11:30 a.m. Four hour drive to Amalfi.
3 p.m.	7 p.m.	Maiori	Check in at accommodation in Maiori, a scenic town on the Amalfi Coast. Accommodation will be close to the sea so you can relax, walk on the beach, or enjoy the view. It's one of the best in Italy. Meet at the reception at 7:30 p.m.
8 p.m.	10 p.m.	Maiori	Traditional welcome dinner at a local trattoria.
Potential accommodation in Maiori: HOTEL SAN PIETRO			
DAY 2 – VISITING AMALFI COAST AND THE FRANCISCAN COMMUNITY “AMICI FRANCESCANI”			
7:30 a.m.	10 a.m.	Maiori	Buffet breakfast at our hotel. We will leave the hotel at 10 a.m.
10 a.m.	2:30 p.m.	Maiori	In Maiori, we will have the opportunity to enjoy the local community of “Amici Francescani.” It is a community based on Franciscan rules—part of the monastery located in the town. We will have the opportunity for a moment of prayer and meditation with them. Depending on their availability, we may also be able to have lunch with them.
3 p.m.	6 p.m.	Amalfi	We will move to the famous town of Amalfi, that gives the name to this coastal area. Along with Pisa, Venice, and Genoa, it was one of the original four Maritime Republics of Italy. We'll have a guided tour that includes a visit to the Cathedral of Amalfi, as well as exploring and discovering what makes this quaint seaside town so historically relevant. Take time on your own to enjoy the bustling street life full of shops, cafes, restaurants, and the famous gelato shops before we return to Maiori.
		Maiori	Dinner will be on your own in Maiori or elsewhere on the coast.
DAY 3 – POMPEI – PIZZA PARTY NIGHT AND MOZZARELLA MAKING			
	8:30 a.m.	Maiori	Breakfast at our hotel. We will leave the hotel at 10 a.m.
10 a.m.	4 p.m.	Pompeii	After breakfast, we'll drive toward Naples and head to the ruins of Pompeii to begin a guided tour of this iconic UNESCO World Heritage site. After our guided tour of Pompeii, we will walk to a nearby trattoria for lunch.
4:30 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	Maiori	Time to rest before we meet at 6:15 p.m.
6:30 p.m.		Amalfi Coast	This will be a night with some local friends in the “CDV-style.” We will have a location at our disposal where we will meet Claudia, Peppe, Filomena, and all their lovely family. Peppe will make pizza, and if, anyone wants to help, it will be more than appreciated. Biagio, a cheese maker, will be with us making fresh mozzarella. Guests are invited to try to make it as well. There will be music, great food, and great company.

DAY 4 – MOVING TO PUGLIA, SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO, AND SAN PIO

	9:30 a.m.	Maiori	Breakfast at our hotel. We will leave the hotel at 9:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m.	1 p.m.	Maiori – San Giovanni	We will move to Southern Italy and Puglia. It will be about a three hour journey with some stops arranged along the way.
2 p.m.	7:30 p.m.	San Giovanni Rotondo	Check in at our hotel in San Giovanni Rotondo. This is an important destination for Catholics. It houses the remains of the most iconic saint of modern time: San Pio, or more universally known simply as Padre Pio. In the afternoon you can attend mass at the Cathedral designed by Renzo Piano, or walk to the museum of San Pio to learn the historical chronology of his famous life .
7:30 p.m.	9:30 p.m.	San Giovanni Rotondo	Dinner at a local restaurant or at the hotel restaurant.

Potential accommodation in San Giovanni: CENTRO DI SPIRITUALITA' PADRE PIO

DAY 5 – A DAY OF PRAYER AND MEDITATION – SAN PIO PLACES (OPTIONAL FULL-DAY TOUR SASSI DI MATERA UNESCO HERITAGE)

	8 a.m.	San Giovanni Rotondo	Breakfast at our hotel. We will leave the hotel at 8 a.m. for those who will attend the excursion to Matera.
9 a.m.	1 p.m.	San Giovanni Rotondo	If you don't meet for the tour to Matera, you can take advantage of a full day in San Giovanni to dedicate to spirituality or anything else you may want to do.
10:45 p.m.	7 p.m.	Matera	Matera and the “Sassi” caves. It is a unique destination in Italy with a unique landscape. In the last few years it has become one of the most visited places in Italy. The old part of this town was used to film <i>The Passion of the Christ</i> . We will have a guided tour of the historical center and the part of the caves where people used to live until the late 20th century. We will have lunch in a local restaurant and some free time before we head back to San Giovanni Rotondo. It will be a long day on the bus but it will be worth it for those interested in seeing something historical.
		San Giovanni Rotondo	Dinner will be on your own.

DAY 6 – ARRIVAL IN ROME

	9 a.m.	San Giovanni	Breakfast at our hotel. We will leave the hotel at 9 a.m.
9 a.m.	1 p.m.	San Giovanni – Rome	We will move to Rome. This will be a longer transfer but we will plan stops along the way.
1:30 p.m.		Rome	Check-in at our hotel and free time to relax or discover Rome on your own. Information about Mass times, historical sites, or places of interest including shopping and restaurant recommendations can be furnished upon request.
		Rome	Dinner will be on your own.

DAY 7 – ROME ANGELUS AND CLASSIC TOUR OF THE ETERNAL CITY

	9:30 a.m.	Rome	Breakfast at our hotel. We will leave the hotel at 9:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m.	3 p.m.	Rome	Our full day in Rome features a visit to St. Peter's Square to attend Pope Francis (depending on the liturgical calendar). After the Angelus we will meet for lunch in a local restaurant.
3 p.m.	6 p.m.	Rome	For those who want to enjoy the classic tour, meet at 3 p.m. at our hotel. Option included in the rates, classic guided tour through the city center visiting sites such as the Colosseum, Roman Forum, and Trevi Fountain.
7 p.m.	10:30 p.m.	Rome	We will meet at the hotel and we will move for our farewell dinner.

**DAY 8 – SADLY OUR WEEK IS OVER –
TRANSFER TO ROME AIRPORT EARLY
IN THE MORNING**



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Included in your vacation:

- Seven night's accommodations – double occupancy, single, or triple occupancy based on availability
- Amalfi accommodations: Hotel San Pietro, Maiori
- San Giovanni accommodations: Centro di Spiritualita' Padre Pio or TBD
- Rome accommodations: Casa tra Noi
- 16 meals (seven breakfasts, four lunches, five dinners)
- All entry fees for daily excursions and guided tours
- Wine with all lunches and dinners
- Welcome gift at your accommodations
- Party in Amalfi, mozzarella making, and CDV Apron
- Optional full day tour to Sassi di Matera – UNESCO heritage
- All scheduled transfers and transportation throughout the vacation
- Air conditioned luxury motor-coach or private luxury vans to accommodate for narrow Italian roads
- English speaking tour manager and guides throughout the vacation

Additional information:

Your accommodations in Rome, Maiori, and San Giovanni Rotondo are similar. Some have private chapels available for private group prayer meetings or to enjoy in solitude. Each also are set amid lovely grounds and are within walking distance of many historical sites.

Accommodations feature:

- Private bathrooms
- Wi-Fi
- Flat-screen televisions
- Daily cleaning
- Additional amenities
- Private chapel

Airline and travel insurance

Contact Mary Mickelson, Travel Leaders, for flight information and travel insurance at 608-791-8367.

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