

A Spiritual Journey in Italy

Led by Kevin Saunders

Travel Dates: March 26 - April 5, 2019

\$5,295.00 from Phoenix, AZ

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Greetings Arizona Bible class travelers!

I am very excited to announce **my next Arizona Bible Class excursion**. We are going to **Italy!** This trip is a favorite trip for me each time we go. We begin our Journey of Italy in **Venice** and end our pilgrimage in the **Eternal City, Rome**.

This year our trip will include a visit in **Ravenna**. Just north of Venice it is the location of some of the greatest mosaic artwork in all the world. Many make a pilgrimage just to Ravenna to be amazed by the mosaics found in the local churches.

In addition to Ravenna, we will visit **Venice, Florence, Siena** and other sites in **Tuscany** before heading south to **Assisi** and our overnight stay in that magical city of St. Francis and St. Clare. After our Assisi visit, we are off to **Rome** to tour all of Rome's major sites and lectures that detail the lives of St. Peter and St. Paul. The trip in Rome includes an outdoor Papal audience (pending Vatican confirmation), a guided tour of the Vatican, Sistine Chapel and of course the greatest church in the world, St. Peter's Basilica.

This trip is a great value. The **hotels are excellent** and **the food is fantastic**. We travel under the **protective umbrella of Devotion Travel** (Executours). You will love the way that you are treated from the registration process to the end of the trip of a lifetime. Do not hesitate to call Devotion Travel if you have any specific travel related questions.

Remember how to discern whether or not to travel with me anywhere. Do I want to go there? Do the dates work for me? Will my health allow me to make this kind of trip? Can I afford the journey? If all four line up, then you need to sign up! This trip fills up quickly so register as soon as you can. And **never forget what a great student you are!**

Peace and Good,

Kevin Saunders

Bible Scholar



DAY 1 – TUESDAY, MARCH 26: U.S.A. / VENICE

We depart the U.S.A. for Venice, Italy.

DAY 2- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27: VENICE ARRIVAL

We arrive at the Venice Airport and transfer by motor coach to **Venice**, where we will journey by **private boat** to our centrally located hotel, a short walking distance to Piazza San Marco. Overnight is in Venice.

DAY 3 – THURSDAY, MARCH 28: VENICE

Today, we meet our local guide for a walking tour of Venice, including **St. Mark's Basilica** and a visit to the **Doges' Palace**. Lunch is on our own. The afternoon is at leisure to shop, visit museums, or explore the canals by gondola. In the evening, we will have our **welcome dinner** at a local restaurant, a short walk from our hotel. (B, D)



DAY 4 – FRIDAY, MARCH 29: VENICE / PADUA / RAVENNA

We depart Venice for Ravenna, with a stop in **Padua** and walking tour, which includes the **Basilica of St. Anthony** built in the 13th century and housing the relics of St. Anthony. Lunch is on our own. We continue to **Ravenna** for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 5 – SATURDAY, MARCH 30: RAVENNA / FLORENCE

Early this morning, we will experience the magnificent **jewels of Ravenna** with a half -day guided tour, including **Mosaiks, Galla Placidia, Dante’s Tomb** and **Basilica of San Vitale**. Lunch is on our own. We continue to Florence for dinner at a local restaurant and overnight and dinner at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 6 - SUNDAY, MARCH 31: FLORENCE

Early this morning, we attend Mass at a local church. Today, we will explore the **magnificent architectural achievements** of Florence with a half -day guided tour, including **Accademia, Duomo, Bell Tower** and **Uffizi**, where, after the tour, we will enjoy some free time to explore one of Italy's greatest art galleries at your own pace. Dinner is at a local restaurant, and overnight is at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 7 – MONDAY, APRIL 1: FLORENCE / SIENA / ASSISI

After breakfast, we depart for **Siena**. Here, we will have a guided walking tour of this **wonderful walled city**, which includes the **Duomo** and **Baptistery**. Lunch is on our own. Our journey continues to **Assisi**, a beautiful medieval town and home of **Sts. Francis and Clare**. We will have time for personal reflection and prayer. Dinner and overnight are in Assisi. (B, D)

DAY 8 – TUESDAY, APRIL 2: ASSISI / ROME

This morning, we will meet our local guide and begin our **upper town** visit of Assisi with the **Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi**. In the Lower Church, half way along the nave, you'll walk down the stairway leading to the **crypt** that contains the remains of **St. Francis of Assisi**. Later, we continue to **Santa Chiara. St. Clare**, the enthusiastic disciple of St. Francis, who **founded** the order of "**Poor Clares**," is buried beneath the high altar. In the **Capella del Crocefisso**, on the left side of the nave, hangs the "**Speaking Cross**," which is from the convent of San Damiano and in front of which St. Francis is said to have received the message from God to "go forth and rebuild my house." We journey by motor coach down to the **lower town** to visit the **Basilica of Santa Maria Degli Angeli**, where the **Porziuncola** and the **Transit chapels** are preserved. Lunch is on our own. Our journey continues to **Rome**. We will have free time to delight in a delicious meal on our own at one of the great Italian restaurants in the heart of Rome. Overnight is in Rome. (B)

DAY 9 – WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3: ROME

Wednesday morning is traditionally dedicated to the Papal Audience. Today, we will wake up early and transfer by motor coach to St. Peter's Square to attend the **Papal Audience** (pending Vatican confirmation). In the afternoon, we enjoy a guided walking tour of **Ancient Rome**. We visit the **Mamertine Prison**, explore the **Roman Forum**, view the **Arch of Constantine**, and conclude with a visit to the **Colosseum**. We will have free time to delight in a delicious meal on our own at one of the great Italian restaurants in the heart of Rome. Overnight is in Rome. (B)



DAY 10 – THURSDAY, APRIL 4: ROME

After breakfast, we will visit the **Vatican Museums** with our guide for a tour of its incredible collections. Our visit will include the **Sistine Chapel**, with **Michelangelo's stunning frescos**. We will also visit **St. Peter's Basilica**, the greatest of all churches in Christendom and built on the site where St. Peter was martyred. We travel by motor coach to visit **St. Paul Outside-The-Walls** and **catacombs**. In the evening, we come together for our **farewell dinner** at a local restaurant. Overnight is in Rome. (B, D)

DAY 11- FRIDAY, APRIL 5: ROME / DEPART FOR U.S.A.

This morning, we check out of our hotel and transfer by motor coach to the Rome Airport for our return flight. (B)

Note:

- *Many sites require walking on uneven surfaces, climbing stairs and inclines. Some sites are not suitable for or cannot be accessed by persons with limited mobility, including wheelchair or walker.*
- *While we do our very best to make sure all items listed in your itinerary are included, there are times when conditions beyond our control affect your program/itinerary, including but not limited to air carrier changes, delays, weather, political climate, time constraints, or changes by your group leader and tour guide.*

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