PROROME

A Washington Catholic Schools Pilgrimage to Italy

Rome, Castel Gandolfo, Orvieto & Assisi



A pilgrimage for the Washington Catholic Schools community: six nights in Rome to pray with the Holy Father and reach all four major basilicas, a day at the papal palace of Castel Gandolfo, the Eucharistic miracle of Orvieto, and two nights within the walls of Assisi in the footsteps of Saint Francis and Saint Clare.

OCTOBER 18 – 27, 2027

DEPARTING MONDAY, OCTOBER 18 · RETURNING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

$2,990 PER PERSON

LAND ONLY · DOUBLE OCCUPANCY · GROUP AIRFARE QUOTED SEPARATELY

REGISTER BY NOVEMBER 23, 2026

8	4	Daily
NIGHTS IN ITALY	CITIES & TOWNS VISITED	HOLY MASS ARRANGED

DAY BY DAY

The Itinerary

Daily Mass is the heart of our pilgrimage and will be arranged at the most fitting sacred sites along our route. Breakfast is included daily, with one additional group meal each day, either lunch or dinner, according to the final sequencing of the program. Sites, order, and timings are subject to refinement as the program is finalized.

DAY 1 Depart the USA

MON · OCT 18, 2027

ST. LUKE, EVANGELIST

Pilgrims gather at Indianapolis (IND), Louisville (SDF), or Evansville (EVV) and check in for the overnight transatlantic flight to Rome. Flight routing and the final gateway airport will be confirmed by ProRome.

DAY 2 Arrival, Tre Fontane, and Saint Paul's

TUE · OCT 19, 2027

STS. JOHN DE BRÉBEUF, ISAAC JOGUES & COMPANIONS

The ProRome Tour Manager meets the group at Rome Fiumicino, and the private coach drives to Tre Fontane, where Saint Paul was martyred and three springs arose, in grounds kept by the Trappist monks. The Welcome Mass and a guided tour follow at Saint Paul Outside the Walls, raised over the Apostle's tomb. The first evening closes with a welcome dinner. Benvenuti a Roma!

OVERNIGHT: RELIGIOUS GUESTHOUSE, VATICAN AREA

DAY 3 The Holy Father, the Vatican Museums, and Saint Peter's

WED · OCT 20, 2027

ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS

The morning is spent in Saint Peter's Square for the Wednesday General Audience, as the Holy Father greets pilgrims, gives his catechesis, and imparts the Apostolic Blessing. After lunch, a Catholic guide leads the group through the Vatican Museums, the Raphael Rooms, and the Sistine Chapel, then directly into Saint Peter's Basilica for the Pietà, the Baldacchino, and the papal tombs. The ascent to the Cupola is optional.

OVERNIGHT: RELIGIOUS GUESTHOUSE, VATICAN AREA

DAY 4 Ancient Christian Rome and Saint Mary Major

THU · OCT 21, 2027

WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A morning at Saint John Lateran, Cathedral of Rome and mother of all churches, then the Scala Santa, climbed on the knees with a prayer on each of the 28 steps. At Santa Croce in Gerusalemme the pilgrims venerate the relics of the Passion brought from the Holy Land by Saint Helena. The afternoon reaches Saint Mary Major, with the Salus Populi Romani icon and the relic of the Holy Crib.

OVERNIGHT: RELIGIOUS GUESTHOUSE, VATICAN AREA

DAY 5 Castel Gandolfo and the Catacombs

FRI · OCT 22, 2027

ST. JOHN PAUL II, POPE

The coach climbs into the Alban Hills to Castel Gandolfo, summer residence of the popes, for a guided visit of the Apostolic Palace: the papal apartments, the portrait gallery, and the gardens above Lake Albano. A group lunch is served in the town. On the return along the Appian Way the group descends into the Catacombs of San Sebastiano, where the relics of Saints Peter and Paul were once kept in safety.

OVERNIGHT: RELIGIOUS GUESTHOUSE, VATICAN AREA

DAY 6 Ancient Rome, San Clemente, and the Caelian Hill

SAT · OCT 23, 2027

ST. JOHN OF CAPISTRANO

A walking pilgrimage through the Colosseum, the Roman Forum, and the Arch of Constantine leads to the Mamertine Prison, where Saints Peter and Paul were held before their martyrdom. The afternoon descends through the three layers of San Clemente, then climbs to Santi Giovanni e Paolo and the Roman houses beneath it, the home of the two martyrs it honors.

OVERNIGHT: RELIGIOUS GUESTHOUSE, VATICAN AREA

DAY 7 Sunday in the Centro Storico

SUN · OCT 24, 2027

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME · WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Sunday Mass at Sant'Agnese in Agone on Piazza Navona, at the place of Saint Agnes' martyrdom. A walk through Baroque Rome follows: the Pantheon, the Caravaggio canvases of San Luigi dei Francesi and Sant'Agostino with the tomb of Saint Monica, the Gesù with the tomb of Saint Ignatius, and Sant'Ignazio. An optional late-afternoon walk with the Tour Manager reaches Trastevere and Tiber Island.

OVERNIGHT: RELIGIOUS GUESTHOUSE, VATICAN AREA

DAY 8 Orvieto, the Portiuncula, and Assisi

MON · OCT 25, 2027

WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The coach heads north into Umbria to Orvieto, where Mass is celebrated in the Duomo that keeps the Corporal of the Eucharistic Miracle of Bolsena, beside Signorelli's Last Judgment frescoes. In the afternoon, at Santa Maria degli Angeli, the group prays at the Portiuncula, the chapel Saint Francis rebuilt, and the Transito where he died. The day ends within the walls of Assisi.

OVERNIGHT: RELIGIOUS GUESTHOUSE, CENTRO STORICO OF ASSISI

DAY 9 Assisi: City of Saint Francis

TUE · OCT 26, 2027

WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Morning Mass at the Basilica of San Francesco, a visit to the Saint's tomb, and the Giotto and Cimabue frescoes of the Lower and Upper Churches. At Santa Chiara the pilgrims venerate the tomb of Saint Clare and the San Damiano Crucifix. The afternoon hikes up Mount Subasio to the Eremo delle Carceri, then down to San Damiano, before a farewell dinner in Assisi.

OVERNIGHT: RELIGIOUS GUESTHOUSE, CENTRO STORICO OF ASSISI

DAY 10 Departure

WED · OCT 27, 2027

WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

After an early breakfast and a final Mass in Assisi, timed to the flights, the private coach transfers the group to Rome Fiumicino for the return to Indianapolis, Louisville, or Evansville, carrying home the graces of a pilgrimage through the heart of the Church.

THE LAND PACKAGE

Pricing & Payment

GROUP AIRFARE ARRANGED BY PROROME

Prices below are land only. ProRome will arrange group flights from Indianapolis, Louisville, or Evansville to Rome and quote the airfare separately once schedules are released; airfare is not included in the land price. ProRome meets everyone on arrival in Rome.

SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT: +$740

INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

Price Inclusions

- 8 nights in religious guesthouses (6 in Rome near Saint Peter's Square · 2 in the centro storico of Assisi), double occupancy
- Daily breakfast, plus one additional group meal each day (lunch or dinner, per the final program)
- Airport transfers at Rome Fiumicino on arrival and departure
- Private motorcoach throughout Italy where possible, including the transfer from Rome to Assisi via Orvieto and Santa Maria degli Angeli
- ProRome Tour Manager throughout the pilgrimage
- Professional English-speaking Catholic guides at the Vatican, Saint Peter's, the major Roman basilicas, Orvieto, and Assisi
- All entrance fees to the sites listed, including Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel timed-entry tickets
- Organization of the Welcome Mass and daily Holy Mass, with all church reservations and donations
- Private whisper headsets for tours and Masses; all gratuities for guides, drivers, and the Tour Manager

NOT INCLUDED

Airfare & Extras

- Round-trip group airfare from Indianapolis, Louisville, or Evansville to Rome, quoted separately by ProRome
- The second daily meal not covered by the program (lunch or dinner)
- Optional activities or site entries not listed in the itinerary
- Trip insurance, available through ProRome and strongly recommended
- Any personal expenses and souvenirs

PER PERSON

Payment Schedule

- **$300 deposit** due with registration, by November 23, 2026
- **$1,345** due April 18, 2027
- **$1,345** due May 18, 2027

More information and registration: **www.prorometours.com/WCS-2027** · registration code **WCS2027**

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