Join Fr. Andrew Pavlak on a Pilgrimage to

# Spain, France, & Italy

Rome – Assisi – Lourdes – Andorra La Vella – Montserrat – Barcelona & More









October 12 - 27, 2026



Starting from \$5499
Per Person

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### Day by Day Itinerary

October 12 Day 1: Depart USA: Your pilgrimage begins today as you depart on your flight to Rome.

October 13 Day 2: Arrive Rome: Welcome to Rome, also known as, "The Eternal City". Upon arrival in Rome, we are greeted by our Holy Land Travel Center Representative and make our way into the eternal city and transfer to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Rome (Dinner)

October 14 Day 3: Papal Audience, St. Mary Major & St. John Lateran: Transfer to the Vatican City to join pilgrims from around the world for an audience with His Holiness the Pope (subject to the Holy Father's schedule and health). After a break for lunch, we transfer to St. Mary Major. The ceiling of the Basilica of St. Mary Major is said to be decorated with gold that Columbus brought back from the New World. Here, the group will also have the opportunity to pray at the grave of Pope Francis. We will also visit the Basilica of St. John Lateran, the oldest of the major basilicas and the actual "parish church" of the Pope (Bishop of Rome). There we will learn about the Scala Santa (Holy Stairs). Tradition has it that these steps, said to be the staircase leading once to the praetorium of Pilate at Jerusalem, are sanctified by the footsteps of Jesus Christ during his Passion. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Rome (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 15 Day 4: Christian Rome – Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica: Today we tour the Vatican Museums, where we will marvel at the incredible collections of art, including the Tapestry Gallery, Raphael Rooms, and Sistine Chapel. Afterward, we continue to St. Peter's Basilica, built on the site where St. Peter the Apostle was martyred. Here, we will have the opportunity to pray at the tomb of St. John Paul II and view Michelangelo's Pietà sculpture. Break for lunch. In the afternoon, we enjoy a walking tour of Rome and visit sites such as the Trevi Fountain, pass by the Colosseum, the Pantheon, and the Roman Forum. Overnight: Rome (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 16 Day 5: St. Mary of the Angels & St. Francis' Basilica: This morning we head to Assisi. We begin our day in the valley below Assisi at the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels, home to the Porziuncola, where St. Francis founded the Franciscan order, and the Chapel of the Transitus, marking his passing into eternal life. See the miraculous thornless rose garden before ascending to Assisi. This afternoon, visit the Basilica of St. Francis, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, to explore both the Upper and Lower Basilicas. Admire Giotto's frescoes and spend time in prayer at the tomb of St. Francis. Conclude with a stroll through the Piazza del Comune.

Overnight: Assisi (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 17 Day 6: Carlo Acutis, St. Clare & San Damiano: Today, visit the Sanctuary of the Renunciation, where St. Francis cast aside his worldly possessions, and where Blessed Carlo Acutis rests. Continue to the Basilica of St. Clare to venerate her tomb and see the San Damiano Cross that spoke to St. Francis. This afternoon, visit the Church of San Damiano, where St. Francis heard his call to rebuild the Church and where St. Clare lived and led her sisters. Enjoy a final afternoon at leisure to explore Assisi's medieval streets, take in sweeping Umbrian views, and reflect on your pilgrimage.

Overnight: Assisi (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 18 Day 7: Free Day in Assisi: Enjoy a full free day in the peaceful town of Assisi. Take time for personal prayer, quiet reflection, or leisurely exploration of this sacred hillside town. Pilgrims may wish to revisit their favorite sites, enjoy the local shops and cafes, or simply relax and absorb the serene spiritual atmosphere that has inspired countless pilgrims over the centuries.

Overnight: Assisi (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 19 Day 8: Return to Rome: This morning we depart Assisi. Upon our return to Rome, we visit the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls where we will celebrate Mass and visit the tomb where St. Paul is laid to rest. Free afternoon in Rome for your own personal activities.

Overnight: Rome (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 20 Day 9: Fly to Toulouse: This morning we transfer to the airport and take our flights to Toulouse. Upon arrival, we transfer to Lourdes, where we will check into our hotel. Time permitting, we will join the candlelight procession in the evening.

Overnight: Lourdes (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 21 Day 10: Lourdes – Grotto of Massabielle, Basilica of St. Pius X, Baths: This day we start with Mass at the Grotto of Massabielle, where Our Lady appeared to Bernadette in 1858. Later we take our official group photo in front of the Basilica, followed by our guided tour of Lourdes. The sanctuary of the Basilica of St. Pius X, the world's largest underground church, and the Baths, where thousands of miraculous cures have taken place, make Lourdes the most respected shrine and sanctuary in France.

Overnight: Lourdes (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 22 Day 11: Free Day in Lourdes: Today we have the day free in Lourdes for prayers, meditation, and to enjoy the Baths.

Overnight: Lourdes (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 23 Day 12: Andorra La Vella / Lourdes: This morning we depart Lourdes and stop along the way in Andorra La Vella to view Romanesque churches and stone houses in the city's quarter, with free time for lunch. Continue to Barcelona, where we will check into our hotel.

Overnight: Barcelona (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 24 Day 13: Montserrat: This morning we will travel outside of Barcelona to visit the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Montserrat, the spiritual heart of Catalonia and home to a dramatically set Benedictine monastery. For 700 years this Marian shrine has attracted thousands of pilgrims from around the world. We pause here to visit the Black Madonna of Montserrat, probably Spain's most fervent devotion to the Blessed Mother. We return to our hotel in Barcelona for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Barcelona (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 25 Day 14: Barcelona – La Sagrada Familia: This morning we visit the most famous Holy Family Church, La Sagrada Familia, an unfinished Catholic Basilica designed by the celebrated architect Antoni Gaudí. We enjoy a full guided tour of the Basilica before celebrating Mass.

Overnight: Barcelona (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 26 Day 15: Barcelona – Park Güell / La Rambla: This morning, we will head to Park Güell, a masterpiece of architecture by the renowned Catalan architect Antoni Gaudí. We then head for free time at the famous La Rambla, Barcelona's most popular pedestrian street. We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Barcelona (Breakfast, Dinner)

October 27 Day 16: Return Flights Home: Today we board our return flights home with memories and keepsakes that will last a lifetime.



#### BASE PRICE PER PERSON

\$5499.00\*

Double occupancy with base airfare

\*Discount cash/check price

#### **OPTIONS**

- For a single room\*: add \$1100
  - \*Subject to availability
- Travel Insurance offered through Travelex
   Visit www.holylandtc.com/travel-protection for more details

\*Available only for travelers with primary residence in USA or Canada

FIRST PAYMENT	\$500.00	DUE: NOW			
SECOND PAYMENT	\$1249.00	DUE:	MAY	15,	2026
THIRD PAYMENT	\$1000.00	DUE:	JULY	14,	2026
FINAL PAYMENT	REMAINING	DUE:	AUG	28.	2026

#### **BASE PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Roundtrip from Albuquerque (ABQ)
- Excursions per itinerary
- 14 Nights accommodation
- Meals per Itinerary
- Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach
- Professional English-speaking tour guides
- Spiritual director
- Pilgrims' Backpacks
- Entry Fees

#### **NOT INCLUDED:**

- Passport/Visa Costs
- Gratuities
- Travel Insurance

## Why Travel with Us?

The Holy Land Travel Center is a family-run business providing pilgrims with an unmatched religious group travel experience. Operated by a husband and wife team from the Qumsieh family, one of the oldest Christian families from the Bethlehem suburb Beit Sahour; the center offers a unique opportunity to be fully immersed in the Christian community of the Holy Land.

The tours are professionally organized to ensure that pilgrims receive the highest quality in travel and lodging. But we pride ourselves most on offering a personalized experience. From the first day you are treated like family, welcomed into the local Christian homes, offered stories of faith by residents, and unfettered access to holy sites.

#### **Terms & Conditions**

By making any payments (cash, credit card or otherwise) towards any tour constitutes your unconditional acceptance of all the terms and conditions stated in this brochure. Holy Land Travel Center shall be referred to as HLTC within this document.

DOCUMENTS: US citizens require a valid passport. Other nationalities please inquire with the

REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT: Deposit of \$500 per person is required upon registration along with a signed copy of the registration form. Registrations are processed in the order received by HLTC Final payment is due 45 days prior to departure. Late payments are subject to a \$50 late fee per week past the due date. HLTC reserves the right to cancel reservations whose payments are 30 days late and to apply applicable cancellation/penalties indicated below. No registrations can be made over the telephone.

INDIVIDUAL CANCELLATION FEES & REFUNDS: Upon cancellation of participation of tour by you, the registrant, for any reason, and only after HLTC receives your written cancellation via email used to register or by US mail., HLTC will then refund your payment for services not received by you, minus applicable cancellation fees per person, according to the following schedule: All refunds will be processed via check. Credit card fees are collected by the payment processor and will not be refunded.

- Minimum cancellation fee is \$500 from time of registration up to 120 days prior to 1) the tour's departure date
- From 119 to 60 days prior to departure day, the cancellation fee is \$500 + 20% of 2)
- 3) From 59 days to 31 days prior to departure day, cancellation fee is \$500 + 50% of
- 4) From 30 days prior to departure day onward, no refund is possible

PAYMENT: Advertised price is the cash/check discounted price. If paying with a card a processing fee will apply. Card processing fee is nonrefundable.

BOUNCED CHECKS: Bounced checks will incur a \$25 administrative fee.

VOUCHERS: Travel youchers issued by HLTC may be applied to a new trip after the initial deposit has been made. To ensure proper processing, all vouchers must be applied no later than 150 days prior to the new trip's departure date. Vouchers cannot be used to cover the initial deposit, nor can they be applied retroactively to previously booked trips. Failure to apply a voucher within the specified timeframe will result in forfeiture of its use for that particular trip. All voucher applications are subject to verification and approval by HLTC.

DISPUTED PAYMENTS: In the event of a disputed payment for reasons other than a fraudulent charge, the administrative fees associated with a dispute will be invoiced to your account and either deducted from your refund or invoiced to you. These fees are subject to change due to payment processors rules and regulations.

TRAVEL PROTECTION: Travel insurance is recommended to help protect you and your trip investment against the unexpected. For your convenience, we offer travel protection. If you do not wish to purchase now, the plan can be purchased any time before submitting your final payment. Coverage takes effect once payment is received. If you chose to purchase outside of the time sensitive period outlined in the plan, you will not be eligible for time sensitive benefits. All plan premiums are non-refundable. To view/download and purchase the plan, which provides the full coverage terms and details, including limitations and exclusion please visit our website: www.holylandtc.com/travel-protection/

MEDICAL CONDITION: We endeavor to provide the highest level of service to all our passengers. Participants who require special assistance must be accompanied by a qualified helper who assumes total responsibility for the participants' well-being. This pilgrimage demands a lot of walking and can be strenuous. HLTC is not responsible for any medical conditions that occur prior to, during, or after the tour.

LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSFERS: By private deluxe motor coach.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Tour prices are per person, based on two persons sharing double or twinbedded rooms with a private bathroom with tub or shower. In the event that one does not sign up with a roommate and is not able to be paired with another traveler, there will be a single supplement charge to the account. Single rooms subject to availability and an additional cost indicated on the brochure. Accommodations are subject to change due to upgrade, size of group,

MOBILE APP: Final pilgrimage details will be available through an app before departure. Please be aware that the information on the app is regularly updated and subject to change. HLTC (Holy Land Travel Company) holds no liability for errors or discrepancies in the app's content.

MEALS: Meals in accordance with the itinerary. All beverages are extra-

TIPPING: A total of 160 Euros per person is collected to cover all standard requirements during the tour. This amount insures fair compensation for the services provided by your tour escort, local guides, and professional driver. It also includes gratuities for hotel staff, specifically for room service during breakfast and dinner. Tips will be pre-collected before the pilgrimage for

AIRLINE TICKETS AND ITINERARY LENGTH: Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class aboard carriers utilizing non-refundable, non-amenable tickets. Preliminary international flight schedules are available 60 days prior to departure and may change before they are finalized. Therefore, if you book the domestic flight on your own, you will be responsible for changing your domestic flights and incurring any change fees that would be generated by this adjustment. We are not responsible for changes and delays in airline schedules and do not reimburse passengers for expenses resulting from such occurrences. Travelers making their own flight arrangements should not purchase non-refundable, nonchangeable tickets. We cannot guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. If flight schedules change, we reserve the right to lengthen or shorten the itinerary accordingly, and if changes or flight schedules necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged at normal hotel rate

SEAT ASSIGNMENT: THERE IS NO ADVANCE SEAT SELECTION FOR TOUR DEPARTURES. HLTC cannot guarantee specific seats, which are at the discretion of the airline and are pending availability. When HLTC disperses travel packages, you will receive your record locator. You can use this locator to do online seating arrangements, if permitted by the airline, any additional costs for seat selection are your responsibility. If your airline ticket is canceled for any reason, you must directly contact the airline to request a refund for your seat selection. The refund will be processed to your original form of payment, subject to the airline's terms and conditions."

BAGGAGE: Transatlantic and transpacific flights to and from the USA allow the passenger to bring one (1) checked bag, which may have a maximum weight of 50 lbs., and maximum combined dimensions of 62 inches. Also, one (1) "carry-on" with maximum dimensions of 8"x12"x20" is permitted. Luggage on domestic flights including Mexico & Canada will cost extra. Luggage is the passenger's responsibility and that of the airlines. For lost luggage, the passenger is responsible for notifying the airline directly. Check with your carrier regarding carry-on luggage rules and

PRICES: All prices are based on exchange rates and fares applicable at time of quotation and based on minimum number of paying passengers stated in the brochure and are therefore subject to change if fares change (including fuel surcharges increase), if group does not reach minimum or if exchange rates fluctuate. Minimum number of paying passengers is 30.

NOT INCLUDED: Passport and Visas, exit taxes, meals not mentioned, beverages with meals, extra beyond standard menu, excess baggage, luggage on domestic flights, telephone calls, fuel

VISAS: When and if a visa or visa waiver is required, it is the passenger's responsibility to obtain one. HLTC, owner, agent, or employees cannot be held liable for clients not having proper passports, visa, visa waiver, or other travel documents. Cancellations or changes to schedule due to a lack of appropriate documents will incur usual penalties.

PASSPORTS: Passports are required to travel with Holy Land Travel Center. A Passport Card is not useful for International Air Travel. Attempting to use this instead of a Passport Book will result in a denial of boarding by the airlines and entry by the legal authorities.

PHOTO RELEASE: Photos taken on the pilgrimage may be used to advertise for future pilgrimages by registering for the tour you consent to photographs taken of during your participation in the tour, and to publication of the photographs by the Operator for advertising, promotional and marketing purposes. I assign a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use, for any purpose, photographs submitted by me to Operator and any photographs taken of me during my tour. I waive my right to inspect or approve the eventual use of such photographs.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION FOR EUROPE & UK: Starting in 2025, travelers from the U.S., Canada, Australia, and other visa-exempt countries will need online travel authorization to enter most of Europe (ETIAS) and the United Kingdom (ETA). This applies to all travelers, regardless of age, and includes layovers in the UK. These are not traditional visas but require basic personal and trip information.

-ETIAS: Approx. \$9 USD per person for travel to Europe

-UK ETA: Approx. €16 per person, required even for transit through the UK All information is subject to change. It is the traveler's responsibility to verify the most up-to-date entry requirements and obtain the appropriate authorizations. HLTC is not responsible for disruptions due to missing or incorrect travel documents.

LIABILITY DISCLAIMER: HLTC hereby expressly disclaims any liability for any personal injury, property damage, Loss of baggage, accident, delay or irregularity, any claim for special or consequential damages or any other loss which may be occasioned by the acts and/or omissions, whether negligent, intentional, wrongful or otherwise, of any air carrier, hotel/motel or other lodging operator, railroad operator, bus operator, public transportation, sea carrier, local sightseeing company, tour operator, tour leader or spiritual director, any employees thereof, or any other entity or individual not under the direct supervision and control of HLTC when engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangements of the tour, or otherwise in connection therewith. HLTC likewise expressly disclaims any responsibility for losses or expenses incurred, or inconvenience caused, due to delay or changes in schedules, defaults, over booking of hotels or airlines, sickness, weather, strikes, quarantines, pandemics, epidemics, acts of terrorism, constructions, war, force majeure or other such events which are beyond HLTC's control. HLTC likewise hereby expressly disclaims any liability for statements, actions or inactions of any intermediary agents such as group administrators, spiritual directors or tour leaders, travel agents or any other intermediary involved with the selling, promotion or operation of its tours. Group administrators, spiritual leaders and tour leaders likewise hereby expressly disclaim any liability for the acts and/or omissions of any of the above entities and/or individuals not directly under their supervision or control. Please be advised that the liability of carriers as well as providers of hotel and lodging accommodations is limited by law and you may thus wish to consider purchasing additional insurance to protect yourself against any losses or injuries suffered as a result of their acts and/or omissions. In all instances, HLTC's liability shall be limited to the amounts paid by you for participation in the tour, and subject to the provisions and cancellation fees as set forth in the 'Brochure Terms and Conditions'. In the event that the tour leader and/or spiritual director named in a brochure or itinerary does not travel with the group, and a substitute is not named to replace such person(s), then HLTC reserves the right to make substitutions of its choosing for such person(s) in the operation of the tour

CANCELLATION DUE TO LOW PARTICIPATION: On rare occasions, a tour departure may be canceled due to lack of participation. In the event that HLTC would decide to cancel a departure, a full refund will be issued (not including travel insurance). HLTC is not responsible and does not assume responsibility for any additional costs or any fees relating to the cancellation of air tickets or other arrangements not made through HLTC.

FORCE MAJEURE: Cancellations due to state advisories and/or state warnings, Pandemic, Epidemic, Acts of War, War, Terrorism, Acts of God, Natural Disaster, Force Majeure or any other circumstance outside the control of HLTC, are not the fault of HLTC. Great effort will be made to accommodate passengers on another trip, a postponed date, or to revise itinerary, however, cancellation for any of these reasons will not be eligible for refund and are subject to cancellation fees as stated above

Note: While no changes are anticipated, there may be unforeseen occasions when certain alterations become necessary, either due to changes to the airline schedule, government regulations, travel restrictions, or any other reason. Holy Land Travel Center reserves the right to change the itinerary or name alternate dates due to such unforeseen circumstances or emergencies