

# The Padre Pio Foundation of America



presents an

**11 Day Pilgrimage to Italy**

**September 20<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**Pilgrimage Price: \$ 3,299.00 Double/Triple per person  
\$ 3,799.00 Single**

## **YOUR TRIP INCLUDES:**

- Round trip air from Newark  
(call for add-ons from other cities) -Taxes included
- First Class 3 & 4 Star Hotels
- Breakfast & Dinner Daily
- Air-conditioned motor coach
- English speaking guide
- Sightseeing as per itinerary
- Portage of one piece of luggage at hotels
- All taxes and service charges
- Daily Mass and Rosary
- Tips to Driver & Guide

## **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Mass at St. Paul Outside the Walls
- Visit Pietrelcina home town of Padre Pio
- Visit of the **Tomb of Padre Pio**
- Mass at St. Michael's Cave,
- Visit the Basilica of Cascia to see the body of St. Rita
- Visit St. Rita's hometown Roccaporena
- Tour of Florence
- Visit the Tomb of St. Francis and St. Clare in Assisi
- Visit the Basilica of Santa Maria degli Angeli to see the Porziuncola
- Visit the Church of San Damiano
- Tour of ancient Rome including a visit of St. Peter's Basilica, St. Mary Major and St. John Lateran

## **ITINERARY:**

### **Mon, Sep 20<sup>th</sup>: Newark/Rome**

Depart Newark airport on your overnight flight to Rome. Dinner served in flight.

**Tue, Sep 21<sup>st</sup>: Rome:** Upon arrival in **Rome** we are transferred to our hotel. En route we stop at **St. Paul Outside the Walls for Mass**. Remainder of the day is free.

**Wed, Sep 22<sup>nd</sup>: Rome/Pietrelcina/San Giovanni Rotondo** - Morning departure to San Giovanni Rotondo. En route we stop at **Pietrelcina**, birthplace of **Padre Pio**. We visit his home, the **Church of Santa Ana**, where he was baptized and we have Mass at **Santa Maria degli Angeli**. We stop at **Piana Romana**, where Padre Pio received the invisible stigmata, before continuing to **San Giovanni Rotondo**. Upon arrival we visit the **Basilica of Our Lady of Grace**. During our stay in San Giovanni Rotondo we visit **Padre Pio's Tomb**.

**Thu, Sep 23<sup>rd</sup>: Today is the Feast Day of Padre Pio** - Free day for private devotions and to join in the festivities.

**Fri, Sep 24<sup>th</sup>: San Giovanni Rotondo/St. Michaels Cave** - This morning we visit **St. Michael's Cave**. In the year 492 a man named Gargan was pasturing his large herds in the countryside. One day a bull fled into the mountain, where at first it could not be found. When its refuge in a cave was discovered, an arrow was shot into the cave, but the arrow returned to wound the one who had sent it. Faced with so mysterious an occurrence, the persons concerned decided to consult the bishop of the region. He ordered three days of fasting and prayers. After three days, the Archangel St. Michael appeared to the bishop and declared that the cavern where the bull had taken refuge was under his protection, and that God wanted it to be consecrated under his name and in honor of all the Holy Angels.

**Sat, Sep 25<sup>th</sup>: San Giovanni Rotondo/Cascia/Roccaporena** - Morning departure to **Cascia**. Cascia is the home of St. Rita of Cascia and her incorrupt body lies in the Major Basilica. Below in the Minor Basilica is the Eucharistic Miracle and the remains of Blessed Simone Fidati. At the time of the miracle a certain priest had lost his respect for the Eucharist and when going on a call to administer the Holy Sacraments to an ailing peasant took a Consecrated Host and placed it between the pages of his breviary. When he opened the book, he saw that the Host had turned red with fresh blood and was impregnated with the two pages between which it had been placed! The priest sought out for counsel Blessed Simone Fidati, a pious priest of the time. He recognized the priest's error and gave him absolution. He took the two pages, putting one in a tabernacle in Perugia and the other in Cascia. The miracle is commemorated each year on the Feast of Corpus Christi in Cascia. There are those who look at the bloodstained page and see the image of Christ. After our visit we continue to **Roccaporena**, birthplace of St. Rita. We visit her home and the Shrine of St. Rita.

**Sun, Sep 26<sup>th</sup>: Florence** - Morning departure to **Florence**. Upon arrival, we have a city tour that highlights many of the city's priceless treasures including the **Piazza del Duomo**, center of religious life in medieval Florence. We see the **Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the Baptistery** with its' masterfully crafted bronze doors – Michelangelo declared them the “Gate of Paradise. After our tour we check into our hotel.

**Mon, Sep 27<sup>th</sup>: Assisi** - Morning departure to **Assisi**. Upon arrival, we visit the **Basilica of Santa Maria degli Angeli to see the Porziuncola** (the little church St. Francis built). After our visit, we continue to the **Basilicas of St. Francis and St. Clare**, where we see the Tombs of the two Saints. Remainder of the day is free for private devotions.

**Tue, Sep 28<sup>th</sup>: Assisi** - Today we visit the **Church of San Damiano**. The church and convent of San Damiano is where it all began in Assisi. It originally was a small Benedictine priory, dating back to 1030. In 1205, a young, restless, Francesco was praying before a 12<sup>th</sup> century painted crucifix. Suddenly Christ on the crucifix came to life and spoke to Francis, saying, "Rebuild my church." Francis took the command literally at first, reconstructing the little church with his own hands. The church later became a favorite retreat for Francis and it was here that he wrote the first draft of his celebrated “Canticle of the Creatures.” St. Clare, close friend of Francis, founded her Order of the Poor Clare's at San Damiano in 1212. She lived here most of her life as its abbess and passed away in an upstairs room on August 11, 1253. Her body was transferred a few years later to the Basilica of St. Clare which was built in her honor.

**Wed, Sep 29<sup>th</sup>: Assisi/Rome** – Morning departure to **Rome**. Upon arrival, we have a tour of ancient Rome which includes a visit to **St. Peter's Basilica, St. Mary Major and St. John Lateran**. This evening we have our, “**Farewell Dinner**” at **Da Meo Pattaca**

**Thu, Sep 30<sup>th</sup>: Rome/USA** - Morning departure to Rome airport for your return flight to the USA.

# Reservation Form

Tour No. PIO0920	
Name (as it appears on your passport):	
Address:	
City:	State: Zip:
Telephone:	Email address:
Will your room be a: ( ) single (limited) ( ) double ( ) triple	
Name of Roommate:	
Are you a US citizen? ( ) Yes ( ) No	
Date of Birth	
Passport No.	Expiration Date
<p><b>Please return this form with your check to:</b></p> <p>LITTLE FLOWER TOURS &amp; TRAVEL, LTD.</p> <p>145 Fieldstone Road,</p> <p><b>Staten Island, New York 10314</b></p> <p><b>☎ 718-761-1251 or outside NY call 888-843-7373</b></p> <p><b>A \$700.00 DEPOSIT IS DUE AT TIME OF BOOKING</b></p> <p><b>FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE July 1, 2010</b></p>	
<p><b>TERMS AND CONDITIONS: Cancellation made by passengers.</b> Of the \$700.00 deposit, \$300.00 is non-refundable in case of cancellation. 70 days to 46 days a \$700.00 penalty is imposed. 45 days to 16 days a \$700.00 penalty PLUS any penalty imposed by the airlines and hotels. 15 days or less may result in loss of entire cost, depending on what we can recover. Once travel has commenced, no refunds for unused portions can be made. <b>TRAVEL INSURANCE IS AVAILABLE AND ADVISABLE</b> <b>If you have a pre-existing condition, it is important that you take Travel Insurance within 10 days of booking. Insurance on this trip is \$ 193.00 per person.</b></p>	
Signature:	Date:

**If you would like to use a Credit Card, you will be charged 2 ¾% for the charge.**

Credit card ( ) MasterCard ( ) Visa ( ) American Express	
Account #:	Expiration date:
Name (as it appears on your card)	
Billing Address:	
Amount to be charged: \$	
Signature:	Date:

**“EVERYONE MUST FILL OUT THIS FORM AND SIGN IT BELOW.” If you are NOT taking the Travel Insurance you must still fill out the Insurance form below and indicate NO in the premium box and return it with your reservation form.**

**Please note that insurance is strongly recommended but is optional. If you want to receive a waiver for pre-existing conditions, your premium must be received by Little Flower Tours within 10 days of your initial trip deposit/payment, provided you are not disabled from travel at the time of your premium payment. Insurance payments are non-refundable.**

<b>Tour Number</b>	<b>Tour Name</b>	<b>Premium</b>
<b>PIO0920</b>	<b>11 Day Padre Pio Pilgrimage</b>	<b>\$ 193.00</b>

<b>Insurance Form</b>		<b>Tour Number PIO0919</b>	
<b>Name</b>			
<b>Address:</b>			
<b>City:</b>		<b>State:</b>	<b>Zip:</b>
<b>Telephone:</b>		<b>Are you a US citizen? ( ) Yes ( ) No</b>	
<b>Additional Family Names</b>			
<b>I will take the Insurance ( ) Yes ( ) No</b>			
<b>Premium \$ 193.00 per person</b>			
<p><b>Please make your Insurance Premium check payable to Little Flower Tours &amp; Travel Ltd.:</b>  <b>LITTLE FLOWER TOURS &amp; TRAVEL, LTD.</b>          145 Fieldstone Road,  <b>Staten Island, New York 10314</b>  <b>☎ 718-761-1251 or outside NY call 888-843-7373</b></p> <p><b>If you want to receive a waiver for a pre-existing condition, your premium must be received by Little Flower Tours within 10 days of your initial trip deposit</b></p>			
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## Schedule of Coverages

Type of Coverage	Maximum Benefit Amount
Pre-Departure Trip Cancellation	Up To Trip Cost
Post-Departure Trip Interruption	150% of Trip Cost
Travel Delay	(Up to \$150 Per Day) \$750
Accidental Death & Dismemberment Air Flight Only	\$ 50,000
Any Other Circumstance	\$ 25,000
Baggage & Personal Effects	\$ 2,500
Baggage Delay	\$ 250
Medical Expense/Emergency Assistance Accident and Sickness Medical Expenses	\$ 50,000
Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation	\$250,000

THIS IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ASK FOR THE TRAVEL INSURANCE CERTIFICATE WHICH FULLY DETAILS THE COVERAGES, PROVISIONS, LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS OF THE INSURANCE OFFERED AND IS AVAILABLE TO YOU, UPON REQUEST, AT ANY TIME PRIOR TO YOUR PURCHASE OF THE PLAN.

### Conditions and Limitations

Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the Travel Insurance Certificate which will be included with your travel documents and is also available to you, upon request, at any time prior to your purchase of the plan. For example, coverage does not apply to any sickness or condition that existed during the 60 days prior to the effective date of the coverage (**this exclusion is waived if your premium is received within 14 days of your initial deposit/payment for your trip and you are not disabled from travel at the time you pay your premium**), suicide, normal pregnancy, war or any act of war, mental or nervous disorders. Other Covered Events, as defined, includes the following events or their consequences:

1) Post-Departure Trip Interruption due to cancellation of arrangements by an airline due to strike, mechanical breakdown of the aircraft on which you are scheduled to travel or bad weather (Maximum of \$100 per day/\$500 total) or 2) cancellation or interruption of your trip due to: a documented traffic accident while en route to departure; jury duty; destruction of your residence by a natural disaster; or a documented theft of passports or visas; or a Terrorist Act which occurs in your departure city or in a city which is a scheduled destination for your Trip provided the Terrorist Act occurs within 30 days of the Scheduled Departure Date for your Trip; and your premium is received within 14 days of the initial deposit/payment for your Trip. Sickness or Injury must require examination and treatment by a Physician and must commence while insurance is in force for you. This plan does not cover a loss that results from an illness, disease, or other condition (of you, an Immediate Family Member, Traveling Companion or Business Partner), event or circumstance which occurs at a time when this plan is not in effect for you.

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