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Fr. Cook Group/Deacon Ordination Group

## TENTATIVE ITINERARY

*Because full information of the events related to the Diaconate Ordination of Zach Tucker is forthcoming, some events or the order of events may be subject to change.*

### Thursday, 26 September: Memorial of Ss. Cosmas & Damian, Roman Martyrs

Depart for Rome in the late morning from Omaha. Connect at an international airport for your flight to Rome.

### Friday, 27 September: Memorial of St. Vincent de Paul



You will arrive in Rome in the morning. After going through passport control, claiming your luggage, and passing through customs you will board your air-conditioned, private motor to be taken to the town of Assisi.

You will stop for lunch along the way.

As you approach this picturesque medieval town you will stop at the **church of St. Mary of the Angels**. This church is built over the caves in which Francis and his companions lived. It has numerous relics for our contemplation.

Then proceed to the hotel for check-in. The balance of the afternoon will be free for rest.

At 7:00 we will celebrate Mass in a private chapel that is hundreds of years old.



After Mass we will enjoy a delicious **home-cooked meal at the hotel, served family style!**

## Saturday, 28 September: Memorial of St. Wenceslaus



This day you will spend in Assisi. In the early morning you may choose to walk up to the castle above the city for a breath-taking view. Breakfast will be available starting at 7:30, and we will depart on foot at 8:30 for 9:00 Mass at the basilica which houses the mortal remains of St. Francis. You will have a walking tour of the city after Mass. This tour will include the **Basilica of St. Francis**, the home of St. Francis and his father's shop, the

cathedral church where he was baptized (as was St. Clare, the holy Roman Emperor Frederick Barbarosa and little babies even until today) and see the hidden ruins from Roman times.

You will also visit the **basilica of St. Clare** that houses her incorrupt body, the crucifix that spoke to St. Francis and many relics from Francis and Clare.

You will then be free for lunch and riposo.



In the afternoon you may choose to walk to the **church of San Damiano** (which is the church where Francis heard Christ speak to him and later became the monastery for St. Clare and her followers), or make a journey up to **the hermitage** where Francis and his companions often retreated for solitude, prayer and refreshment. Both of these are places to pray. We will plan to pray the rosary as a group in either case.

Enjoy another **home cooked meal with Paolo and Paula**.

## Sunday, 29 September: Feast of the Archangels: Ss. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael



This morning breakfast will be available starting at 6:30. We check out of the hotel this morning so please bring your luggage to the lobby when you come down for breakfast so it can be delivered to the bus for us. We will leave the hotel to walk to the bus at 7:00. We will make the drive to the town of **Siena**.

Upon arrival you will celebrate Mass at a chapel which houses a **Eucharistic miracle**. The Mass will be 10:30 and will be followed by Adoration and Benediction.

After Mass you will enjoy free time for lunch.

After lunch you will have a tour of **St. Catherine of Siena**'s home and also of the church which houses her relics. We will depart Siena at about 4:00 for the Eternal City.

Upon arrival we will check in to the hotel and go out for our **first Roman supper!**

### **Monday, 30 September: Memorial of St. Jerome**



Begin this day by celebrating the Mass at **St. Peter Basilica** at 7:15 (we will depart the hotel for the short walk at 6:50). After Mass you will have about an hour and a half free before we meet for our tour of the basilica. You will learn of the multiple layers of history, visit near the tomb of St. Peter, visit the tomb of St. Pope Pius X, St. Pope John XXIII, St. Pope John Paul the Great and many more. You will encounter art and architecture that speaks to the soul.



After your tour you will have free time for lunch.

In the afternoon you will have a reserved entrance into the **Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel**. This evening enjoy another wonderful **meal out at a local restaurant**.

### **Tuesday, 1 October: Memorial of St. Therese of Lisieux**



After breakfast you will be taken by private motor coach to celebrate Mass at **the Basilica of St. John Lateran**, which houses the table from The Last Supper and the heads of Ss. Peter and Paul.

Nearby, you will have the opportunity to climb and pray upon **the stairs from Pontius Pilate's house** which Jesus would have traversed during His Passion.

You will then walk to the **Basilica of Santa Croce** which houses many other ancient relics from the Passion, including relics of the True Cross and the Capitol that hung above Christ's head on the Cross.



Also included this day is a visit to the major **Basilica of St. Mary Major**. This basilica has a ceiling coffered with the first gold brought back to Europe from the New World. The gold was a gift of King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella of Spain. It also contains the tombs of St. Jerome, St. Matthias (1<sup>st</sup> Century Apostle) and Gian Lorenzo Bernini.

Afterwards take a walking tour of the area including the **Church of Our Lady of Prompt Succor**, which houses the original image, and the **Churches of Santa Prassede and Santa Pudentiana** built on the site of Christian homes dating back to the 4<sup>th</sup> century.

After the visit to St. Mary Major you will be taken to the hotel to freshen up for supper. Tonight we dine at **Antica Taverna**. The menu will include an array of anti-pasta dishes as well as a sampling of pastas. We will depart the hotel at 6:30.

### Wednesday, 2 October: Memorial of the Guardian Angels



We will have “sack breakfast” today so that we can depart early to get good seats at the **Papal Audience**. Walk the few meters to St. Peter’s Square to join with thousands of other Catholics at an audience with the Pope. Bring a hat and sunglasses because it will be bright and warm.

After the audience you are free for lunch.

At 2:30 we will depart for a walking tour of some of the Churches in central Rome. You will visit **the tombs of St. Agnes, St. Monica, St. Ignatius of Loyola, St. Aloysius of Gonzaga, St. Robert Bellarmine and others**. You will see architectural wonders (like the church of St. Ignatius that employs a false dome painted into the nave of the church). You will also encounter many **artistic masterpieces by Michelangelo, Caravaggio, and others**.

This evening there is a **Vigil Mass and Confession as part of the Ordination festivities**.

### Thursday, 3 October:

Today we will be blessed to be at the **Deaconate Ordination of Zachary Tucker**.

After the ordination we will attend a **reception at the North American College atop the Janiculum Hill**.

In the afternoon we will finish our walking tour of Churches in the center of Rome and dine sumptuously out in the city.

## Friday, 4 October: Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi



We will begin this day with a tour of **St. Paul Outside the Walls** which houses the mortal remains of the great Apostle to the Gentiles, St. Paul and is home to 4<sup>th</sup> century mosaics and much more.

After our visit, we will participate in **Mass at the Church of St. Cecilia in Trastevere** – **St. Cecilia is the Patroness of the Archdiocese of Omaha. We will hear Deacon Tucker’s first homily at this Mass!**

After Mass we will dine sumptuously at **Cecelia Matella** which is out on the Appian Way. This is the restaurant where I had my wedding reception!

After lunch we will visit **the Catacombs on the Appian Way** (leave the restaurant at about 2:30). There we will celebrate the Eucharist in this hallowed earth. We will then continue onto your accommodations in Rome. You may choose to enjoy a leisurely visit to St. Peter Basilica or do some shopping in the area. Supper this evening is on your own.



**Saturday, 5 October: Mem. of Bl. Xavier Seelos**  
Arrivaderci Roma! Depart from our hotel in the morning for your flight home. You will arrive in Omaha this evening.



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## **Terms and Conditions for the *Italian Pilgrimage 2019 w/ ChiRho Euro., LLC***

1. The trip cost is \$2,595 and includes all of the following:
    - a. All scheduled ground transportation including airport transfers, inter-city travel and transfers within cities that are not within walking distance of the hotel. This will be on our private motor coach.
    - b. All entrance fees for visits included on the "Tentative Itinerary".
    - c. One meal, usually supper. These meals are arranged by Patrick Arensberg and will typically include two courses and sometimes dessert. Bottled water (sparkling or plain) and wine in moderation as well as tips are all included. No other beverages are included in the cost of the tour.
    - d. Hotel accommodations. These are double rooms in a 4 star hotel in Rome, 2 star in Assisi, with private bath.
    - e. Other mandatory tips.
    - f. Full time tour conductor in Italy
  2. Not included in the tour cost, most notably:
    - a. Airfare: this is estimated at \$1,600 but is currently higher and unpredictable
    - b. Breakfast (unless included by the hotel) and one other meal a day (typically lunch)
    - c. Additional hotel expenses such as, but not limited to:
      - i. Fees for making calls from the room
      - ii. Fees for damage to a room
      - iii. Purchases charged to the room
  3. Payment schedule is as follows. Failure to meet any of the payment dates subjects the purchaser to forfeiture. All payments are non-refundable. Checks are to be made payable to Chi Rho Euro and should be mailed to: 1563 Fearnway, Mobile, AL 36604
    - a. February 28, 2019: \$195 (late applications may be accepted if space allows)
    - b. April 26, 2019: \$800
    - c. June 28, 2019: \$800
    - d. July 26, 2019: \$800
    - e. August 30, 2019: cost of airline ticket
- \*\*This payment schedule is for your convenience. You are more than welcome to pay the entire balance in one payment. I do not accept credit card payment since it would add about 3% to the cost of the trip.
4. If you have made some or all of the payments and become unable to travel it is possible that you can transfer your trip to someone else. Airlines' rules vary and change and this may not be possible at all.
    - a. You are responsible for any and all fees to the airline for such a change, if the change is possible.
    - b. You will be responsible for any extra hotel fees if your transfer causes an imbalance in the rooms.
  5. The itinerary is tentative, and not within Patrick Arensberg's control. Further, I agree to not hold Patrick Arensberg responsible if some visits on the schedule are missed for whatever reason.
  6. Patrick Arensberg is not responsible for any loss or inconvenience caused by a flight cancellation or missed flight due to a delay. Neither is Patrick Arensberg responsible for property that may be lost or stolen in the course of the trip. Further, I agree not to hold Patrick Arensberg responsible for any such events as described.

7. I hereby waive any and all claims against Patrick Arensberg and his agents or contractors, domestic and overseas, their heirs or their estate, arising from any death, irregularity, or expense to person or property incurred from the use of any vehicle or service, strikes, war, weather, sickness, quarantine, government restrictions or regulations, or arising from any act of omission of any steamship, airline, railroad, bus company, sightseeing, hotel or any other service or transporting company, firm individual or agency.
8. I release Patrick Arensberg and his agents from financial obligations or liabilities that I may incur or any damage or injury to me or to the person or property of others that I may cause while participating in this program, and I agree to indemnify them against any such financial obligations or liabilities that may arise as a result of my actions.
9. I understand that I am solely responsible for any costs arising from the loss or theft of any of my personal property during this program, including my airline ticket or passport.
10. I understand that it is the responsibility of each passenger to obtain a valid U.S. Passport prior to travel. This passport must not expire within 6 months of the return date.
11. I understand that the passenger is responsible for any damage the passenger causes to the hotel, bus or any other equipment. I agree to pay for any such damages that I may cause and I cannot hold Patrick Arensberg responsible for these damages. Further, I will indemnify Patrick Arensberg from any claims for such damages caused by my actions.
12. I certify that I am in good physical and mental health, and that I have no medical conditions which would preclude my participation in the proposed trip. I have been informed that there is a great deal of walking daily, up to 4 or 5 miles daily. I am or will be capable of doing this walking without inhibiting the progress of the group.
13. I understand that if Patrick Arensberg or another Chi Rho Euro representative determine that my presence is an impediment to the group because of my physical limitations or because of my attitude I will be sent home at my expense prior to the completion of the pilgrimage. I further understand that the passenger will be accompanied to the airport, but will fly home unaccompanied.
14. I, as a participant, agree to comply with all directions issued by Patrick Arensberg or his agents.
15. Anyone who wishes may arrange their own air transportation. The traveler is responsible to see that they are on the same flights that the group is on. If they end up on a different flight from the group they will be responsible to meet the group: the bus will not be held for any such passengers, nor will the bus make a special trip to the airport to help them catch their flight home. The bus' schedule will be purely predicated upon the flights arranged by Patrick Arensberg. Such a passenger will also be responsible for their own arrangements in the case of a flight cancellation. I further understand that there is \$100 fee from ChiRho Euro if I make my own flight arrangements as it often causes extra expenses for ChiRho Euro (feel free to speak with Patrick Arensberg about this).
16. Anyone making their own flight arrangements and payment will have the cost of the group ticket subtracted from the price of the trip.
17. Arrangements may be made to extend the return flight of an individual or individuals. These flight arrangements must be made through Patrick Arensberg and details will be provided to anyone who may inquire.
18. I have been offered the purchase of trip insurance. It has been strongly suggested that I purchase it. I understand that there are dangers inherent with international travel.

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(Applicants signature)

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(Date)



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**CUSTOMER INFORMATION SHEET**

1. Please print your name as it will appear on your Passport: \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_ I have obtained my passport and checked its expiration date (Note: it should not expire within 6 months of our return date).  
\_\_\_\_\_ I have applied for my passport (or will apply at least 12 weeks prior to departure).
3. Contact information (Please write legibly):  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Airfare is arranged out of the Omaha area. I wish to deviate:  
\_\_\_\_\_ Please have my flight originate from: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Please do not purchase my airline ticket. I will arrange my own. I understand that the group will not wait for me if I am delayed.
5. Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_
6. Roommate: \_\_\_\_\_ **or** \_\_\_\_\_ single room requested
7. Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female