A Journey of Faith: Fatima to Rome

DEPARTS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 07, 2026 • 12 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS Fátima (2 nights) • Ávila (1) • Zaragoza (1) • Lourdes (2) • Rome (4)



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Meal Code B: Breakfast D: Dinner

Hinerary

DAY 1: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 07, 2026 - DEPART SEATTLE

With hearts full of anticipation, we gather at Seattle airport and begin our pilgrimage with an overnight transatlantic flight to Lisbon.

Overnight: In flight

DAY 2: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 08 - ARRIVE LISBON / TRANSFER TO FÁTIMA

On arrival in **Lisbon**, we are greeted by our pilgrimage manager and board our private coach for the journey north to **Fátima**. As we approach this holy place, the sense of sacred anticipation grows. In the late afternoon we gather for Mass and an orientation and welcome briefing, setting the tone for the days ahead. If time permits, we make our first visit to the Sanctuary, joining fellow pilgrims in the evening candlelight procession — a moving act of unity and devotion.

Overnight: Fátima (D)

DAY 3: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 09 -FÁTIMA: SACRED WAY, VALINHOS, ALJUSTREL

Today we set out along the **Sacred Way**, praying the Stations of the Cross as we walk towards the **Chapel of Calvary**, rewarded with sweeping views over Fátima. Our path leads us to **Valinhos**, where Our Lady appeared after the children's imprisonment, and then on to **Aljustrel** to see the humble homes of Lúcia, Francisco, and Jacinta, as well as the parish church where they

were baptized.

We come together for Mass before delving deeper into the story of Fátima with a guided visit to the **Santuário** — the vast square, the **Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary** with the saints' tombs, the **Museum**, and the **Blessed Sacrament Chapel**. There is time for private prayer and perhaps a visit to the **Chapel of Apparitions**, with the option later to join the evening Rosary.

Overnight: Fátima (BD)

DAY 4: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 - FÁTIMA TO ÁVILA

After breakfast, our pilgrimage continues across north-central Portugal and into western Spain, arriving in the beautifully preserved walled city of **Ávila**. Here we celebrate Mass at the **Convent of Saint Teresa**, built over her birthplace.

We visit **Ávila Cathedral**, with its relics of the saint, and the **Monastery of the Incarnation**, where her cell and more relics can be seen. As night falls, we walk within the illuminated medieval walls, reflecting prayerfully on St Teresa's life and writings. *Overnight: Ávila (BD)*

DAY 5: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 - ÁVILA VIA EL ESCORIAL TO ZARAGOZA

We depart Ávila for the Madrid region, pausing at **El Escorial Monastery** — the monumental basilica and royal pantheon commissioned by King Philip II. Here we explore the cloisters and sacred spaces before continuing northeast to **Zaragoza**.

Upon arrival, we enjoy Mass and a brief orientation to this historic city, where faith and history meet.

Overnight: Zaragoza (BD)

DAY 6: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 -ZARAGOZA - BASILICA OF OUR LADY OF THE PILLAR / LOURDES

The morning begins with a guided visit to the **Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar**, where tradition holds that Our Lady appeared to the Apostle James. We celebrate Mass in this revered sanctuary, with time to venerate the image and pray by the River Ebro.

Our journey then takes us across the **Pyrenees** into France, arriving in **Lourdes** by evening, ready to enter into the grace of this holy place.

Overnight: Lourdes (BD)

DAY 7: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 -LOURDES: SANCTUARY WALKING TOUR & PROCESSIONS

We join pilgrims from around the world for the International Mass in the **Underground Basilica of St Pius X**. In the afternoon, a walking tour introduces us to the **Grotto of Massabielle**, the **Basilica of the Rosary**, St Bernadette's birthplace at **Boly Mill**, the **Cachot** where her family lived, and the parish church.

Pilgrims may choose to pray at the **Baths**, seeking the healing waters that have drawn millions here. As evening falls, we gather with candles in hand for the **Torchlight Marian Procession** — a luminous act of faith that lights up the night.

Overnight: Lourdes (BD)

DAY 8: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 - LOURDES: GROTTO MASS / BARTRES / CITY OF THE POOR - FLY TO ROME

We begin with a private Mass at the **Grotto**, a moment of profound intimacy with the heart of Lourdes. Our morning takes us to **Bartres**,





where Bernadette tended sheep and sought solitude with God, and to the **City of the Poor**— a haven of welcome for pilgrims in need.

After some time for quiet prayer and reflection, we travel to **Toulouse** airport for our flight to Rome. Upon arrival, transfer to our hotel and enjoy a shared dinner in a Roman trattoria.

Overnight: Rome (BD)

DAY 9: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 - ROME - VATICAN MUSEUMS & ST PETER'S

This morning we enter the **Vatican Museums**, journeying through centuries of sacred art until we arrive at the **Sistine Chapel**, where silence allows us to absorb Michelangelo's masterwork.

In **St Peter's Basilica**, we see the **Pietà**, the **tomb of St John Paul II**, and the papal crypts, celebrating Mass in this most sacred of spaces.

In the afternoon we enter the iconic **Colosseum**, a place hallowed by Christian martyrdom. View also the **Circus Maximus** and **Roman Forum** as we reflect on the witness of the early Church.

Overnight: Rome (BD)

DAY 10: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 -ROME: PAPAL AUDIENCE, ST PAUL OUTSIDE THE WALLS & CATACOMBS

We gather in **St Peter's Square** for the **Papal Audience** — a powerful moment of unity with Catholics from around the world (Subject to the Holy Fathers presence in Rome).

Make our way to the **Basilica of St Paul Outside the Walls**, where we honor the
Apostle at his tomb. Our pilgrimage then
descends into the **ancient Catacombs**,
reflecting on the courage of the early Christians.

After Mass, the remainder of the afternoon is free to explore Rome at leisure — enjoy a walk to the **Trevi Fountain**, **Piazza Navona**, or indulge in a gelato.

Overnight: Rome (BD)

DAY 11: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 - ROME: MAJOR BASILICAS & CHRISTIAN ROME

Today we visit the other Papal Basilicas of Rome: **St John Lateran** (the Cathedral of the Pope), **St Mary Major**, and the **Holy Stairs** — climbed by the faithful in memory of Christ's Passion.

Later we walk through the heart of Christian Rome, from **Piazza Venezia** to the **Pantheon**, and the **Gesù** — mother church of the Jesuits, home to **St Ignatius of Loyola**.

Join together for a final Mass and farewell dinner in a Roman trattoria.

Overnight: Rome (BD)

DAY 12: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 - DEPART ROME

After breakfast, we transfer to the airport for our journey home, carrying with us the memories, prayers, and blessings of our pilgrimage. Depending on flight schedules, we arrive in Seattle later the same day or the next. (B)



TOUR DETAILS	
TOUR CODE	TC3126
STARTS	Mon, September 07, 2026
FINISHES	Fri, September 18, 2026
AIR & LAND COST	USD \$5400 (Twin Share) *
LAND ONLY COST	USD \$3850 (Twin Share) *
SINGLE ROOM	USD \$890 Supplement

* Maximum 40 pilgrims. Costs have been based on prices as at September 2025 and must remain subject to possible change in the event of significant exchange rate variations, tax increases or minimum group size (30) factors beyond Harvest's control. Refer to Harvest Booking Terms & Conditions for more details.

To confirm your place on this pilgrimage, you will be required to pay a non-refundable \$500 per person deposit at the time of booking.

INCLUDED

ACCOMMODATION & MEALS: Quality centrally located hotels • Meals as specified in Itinerary.

TOURING & TRANSPORTATION: International Economy Class group airfare Seattle – Lisbon / Rome - Seattle • Internal Flight in Europe • Deluxe Air Conditioned Coach touring • Professional Local Guides • Sightseeing and Entrance Fees.

OTHER: Fully Escorted by Priest Chaplains
• Porterage at hotels (where available) • Harvest
Backpack, Pilgrim Journal and Travel Wallet
• All Gratuities

NOT INCLUDED

Other meals not listed • Passport and Visa Costs (if applicable) • Items of a personal nature including phone calls, laundry, beverages, etc. • Travel insurance.

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