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Join Fr. Peter Kaczmarek Pilgrimage To Medjugorje to the Youth Festival

July 29-August 7, 2024

Optional Post Tour to Rome | August 7-11, 2024

Your Trip Includes:

- † Round-trip airfare
- † Airport taxes & fuel surcharges
- † Hotel accommodations (or similar) in double occupancy
~ 8 nights: Jul 30 – Aug 07: Hotel or Villa Grace, Medjugorje

Rome Optional Post Tour:

- ~ 4 nights: Aug 07 – Aug 11: Hotel Twenty One, Rome
- † Breakfast and Dinner daily
- † Transfers as per itinerary
- † Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach
- † Wireless headsets where needed
- † Assistance of a professional local Catholic Guide(s)
- † Visits to Siroki Brieg Tihaljina and Surmanci

- † Visit to Community Cenacolo
- † Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- † Catholic Priest, Mass daily & Spiritual activities
- † Luggage handling (1 piece per person)

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Day 1, Mon, Jul 29: Depart USA

Board your overnight transatlantic flights from your local airport. Meals are served on board.

Day 2, Tue, Jul 30: Arrive Medjugorje

After an early morning arrival in Frankfurt (Munich or Vienna) you will connect flights to Dubrovnik (Split or Sarajevo). Upon arrival, you'll be greeted by a tour guide and/or driver who will then take you on the 2 1/2 hour drive by private coach to the village of Medjugorje. Guide will be with your throughout your stay. Once there, you'll meet your fellow pilgrims and your spiritual leader.

Days 3 – 9, Wed - Wed – Tue, Jul 31 – Aug 06: Medjugorje Experience the beauty and peace of this simple village. During your stay in Medjugorje you will have the opportunity to share faith with pilgrims from all over the world. Our local guide will accompany us throughout your stay. Here are some of the activities you'll be sharing with our fellow pilgrims: Each morning at 10am we assemble at St. James Church for the English-language Mass (Feast days and Sundays English Mass is at Noon). Follow the path up Apparition Hill where the visionaries first encountered Our Lady. Touch and pray before the cross that commemorates the spot where Mary first appeared to the visionaries. Each evening at 6:00pm we will join the villagers and pilgrims to pray the rosary. The apparition takes place at 6:40pm, and then stay on for Croatian Mass. Don't miss on Tuesdays and Saturdays Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and on Fridays Veneration of the Cross in the Church. Each evening during Croatian Mass, there is the Blessing of the Sick and blessing of the items you have with you. Our guide will arrange meetings with the visionaries at their own homes provided that they are in Medjugorje during your trip, and pending their availability. We will have the opportunity to climb Krizevac Mountain, where in 1933 the villagers built a 30' high cross on the anniversary of Jesus' crucifixion. Visit and pray at "Blue Cross", which is a place of great healings and graces- a very special place at the base of Apparition Hill. We will also visit the community of Cenacolo.

Day 03: Wed: Jul 31

During the morning: Holy Masses according to language groups

6:00 pm - Rosary

7:00 pm - Welcoming words by and to the youth from different countries, Holy Mass

8:30 pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Day 04: Thu: Aug 01

9:00 am - Morning Prayer

9:30 am - 12:00pm – Lectures, music and testimonies

12:00 pm - Recess

4:00 pm - Lectures, music and testimonies

6:00 pm - Rosary

7:00 pm - Holy Mass

8:00 pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Day 05: Fri: Aug 02

9:00 am - Free Time

9:30 am - 12:00pm – Lectures, music and testimonies

12:00 pm - Recess

4:00 pm - Lectures, music and testimonies

6:00 pm - Rosary

7:00 pm - Holy Mass

8:15 pm - Procession through the parish

10:15 pm - 11:00pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Day 06: Sat: Aug 03

9:00 am - Morning Prayer

9:30 am - 12:00pm - Lectures, music and testimonies of the "Cenacolo" community

12:00 pm - Recess

4:00 pm - Lectures, music and testimonies

6:00 pm - Rosary

7:00 pm - Holy Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9:15 pm - Theatre and musical show, "Cenacolo"

Day 07: Sun: Aug 04

9:00 am - Morning Prayer

9:30 am - 12:00pm - Lectures, music and testimonies

12:00 pm - Recess

4:00 pm - Lectures, music and testimonies

6:00 pm - Rosary

7:00 pm - Holy Mass

8:30 pm - 9:30pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9:30 pm - 11:00pm - Singing Farewell

Day 08: Mon: Aug 05

4:30 am - Rosary while Climbing the Cross Mountain (private)

5:00 am - Holy Mass on Cross Mountain

Day 09: Tue: Aug 06: Last day in Medjugorje**Day 10, Wed, Aug 07: Depart Medjugorje - USA**

After an early breakfast and heartfelt farewells, we leave by motor coach to Sarajevo, Split or Dubrovnik airport for your return flights home.

OR Continue to Rome**Day 10: Wed, Aug 07: Arrival in Rome**

Flight from Sarajevo, Split or Dubrovnik to Rome. Welcome to Rome, also known as, "The Eternal City". Upon arrival at Rome airport, collect your luggage in the baggage claim area and continue to the Arrivals Hall, where you will be greeted by a tour escort and/or driver. You will make your way to the bus and transfer to your hotel. Following check-in, you will have free time to unpack and relax or explore Rome on your own. Your tour escort may suggest places to visit. Later in the afternoon, your group will meet in the hotel lobby for a "Meet and Greet" with your fellow pilgrims and depart for Mass. Following Mass, you will attend a welcome dinner. After dinner, you will have the opportunity to walk to St. Peter's Square, as a group, for the Rosary (optional).

Day 11, Thu, Aug 08: Rome: St. Peter's Basilica - Vatican Museum - Appian Way - Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls - Catacombs

This morning you will enjoy an early breakfast before making your way to the largest Christendom Church, St. Peter's Basilica. This Basilica was built on the site where St. Peter, the first Pope and Bishop of Rome, was martyred. Also, it was Our Holy Father, Pope Francis who was the first Pontiff to visit the necropolis since extensive archaeological excavations were conducted at the ancient site decades ago. It is here that you will view Michelangelo's Pieta. This stunning marble sculpture depicts the Virgin Mary holding Christ after His crucifixion, death, and removal from the cross before being placed in the tomb. Continue to proceed to the Vatican Museum. At the world-renowned museum, you will see the most impressive of edifices, galleries, and awe-inspiring relics. Additionally, you will observe the Tapestry Gallery, Raphael Rooms, Sistine Chapel, and Michelangelo's Masterpiece, the restored mural of the Last Judgment. The final stop on your Vatican tour is at the tomb of Saint John Paul II. After, you will be transferred to the Fontana di Trevi (Trevi Fountain), where you may enjoy some free time on your own for lunch. Continue on your short journey down the Appian Way, the earliest road of Ancient Rome. This road leads to the Domino Quo Vadis Chapel, the Baths of Caracalla, the Arch of Drusus, the Tomb of Cecilia Metella, and the catacombs of St. Callixtus. The day concludes with a visit to the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls. Originally founded by Emperor Constantine in the 4th Century, this Basilica is the burial place of Saint Paul the Apostle. We will make our way to a local restaurant for dinner. Following dinner, feel free to explore the streets of Rome, or return to the hotel for overnight.

Day 12, Fri, Aug 09: Rome – Assisi – Rome

We leave Rome early in the morning and travel North through the Umbrian Hills to Assisi. As you visit the birthplace of St. Francis, you will become captivated as the atmosphere has not changed since St. Francis began his ministry, in the early 13th-century. You will start your tour at the St. Francis Basilica, visit his tomb of St. Francis, and have the opportunity to view a series of frescoes depicting his life, along with a few of the saint's possessions. Followed by a visit to the Santuario Della Spogliazione where Blessed Carlo Acutis' tomb is placed. Carlo is the first millennial to be declared Blessed who loved the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. From there, you will continue on a walking tour through this picturesque town, including the birthplace of St. Francis, and end with a tour of the Church that honors St. Clare, the foundress of the Poor Clare Sisters. This Saint followed the teachings of St. Francis very closely by also living a life of poverty and humility. Enjoy some free time on your own – you may take this time for additional prayer, shop in the many gift shops or enjoy a nice lunch. After lunch, you will board the bus, which will take you outside of the walls of Assisi, to the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels. This is where St. Francis spent most of life. This Basilica is made up of two structures, both of which you will visit. The first structure, is the "Porziuncola", which is where St. Francis founded his order of the Friar Minor (Franciscans). The second, is the "Capella del Transito", which is the place of St. Francis' death. During your time here, you will have the opportunity to visit the beautiful Rose Garden where St. Francis and other friars lived, as well as the cave where the Saint retired to pray. Return to Rome for dinner and overnight.

Day 13, Sat, Aug 10: Basilica of St. John the Lateran - Holy Stairs - Basilica of St. Mary Major

After breakfast you will visit the oldest of the four major Basilicas in Rome, and the home to the relics of Peter and Paul, the Basilica of St. John the Lateran. This Basilica is where Pope Francis was installed as Bishop of Rome, and where he officiates as the Bishop of Rome. Next, we will cross the street to visit the Holy Staircase. Tradition states that this staircase is from Pontius Pilate's palace of Jerusalem during the time of Jesus. It is also said that this Staircase was brought to Rome by St. Helen in the 4th century. You may climb the steps on your knees, in memory of Christ's agonizing Passion. To conclude your day, we will proceed to the Basilica of St. Mary Major. This Basilica contains a relic from the Manger of the Infant Jesus. Reminder of the day is free to explore Rome on your own or do some last minute shopping. Return to the hotel for farewell dinner and an overnight.

Day 14, Sun, Aug 11: Rome Airport – USA

After an early breakfast and heartfelt farewells, transfer to the Rome Fiumicino airport for return flights home.

