



# ***2026 Catholic Festival Choir and Pilgrimage to The Vatican and Italy***

***9 Days/8 Nights Escorted tour***

***Trip Price - \$3895 USD***

***(based on double occupancy)***

***Single supplement Price - \$1245 USD***





Experience the true essence of Italy on a musical journey where you become part of the symphony. This is not just a tour; it's a festival of voices, where each city is a stage and every participant adds their own note to the harmony of this unforgettable adventure. From the timeless charm of Venice, where you'll sing in the grand acoustics of an ancient church, letting your voice merge with the city's rich history, to the elegant streets of Padua, where the atmosphere itself seems to hum with centuries of culture. In Florence, the heart of the Renaissance, your choir will echo through magnificent historic venues, surrounded by masterpieces of art and architecture, before continuing to the mystical charm of Orvieto. Finally, in the eternal grandeur of Rome, you'll perform beneath its awe-inspiring landmarks, with the timeless city as your audience. As you travel from city to city, your voices will resonate across Italy, creating lasting memories and celebrating the power of music to unite and inspire. Italy will capture your heart, one unforgettable moment at a time





# ***Itinerary***



***Day 1 -Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026***

Depart from the USA today under own arrangement.  
Recommended gateways are Venice arrival and Rome departure.



***Day 2 –Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026 -MONASTIER***

***Benvenuti in Italia!***

Arrival in Venice. Meet your Catholic Choir Tours Managers and transfer to Monastierfor hotel check-in. Dinner at your hotel and the overnight. (B,D)





St. Mark's Square



Bridge of Sighs

***Day 3 –Saturday, October 24th, 2026 –VENICE***

After breakfast at your hotel, enjoy a full day excursion to the elegant city of Venice where you will visit St. Mark's Square, including the iconic Bridge of Sighs, which once connected the ancient prisons of Venice to the Palace's interrogation rooms. Have time to wonder the many bridges over the some 150 canals that divide Venice into about 118 different islands. Gather together this afternoon for rehearsal before your welcome Concert in Venice. Dinner on your own in town before heading back to your hotel (B)





Padua Basilica of St. Anthony



Montecatini

***Day 4 – Sunday, October 25th, 2026 – VENICE – PADUA – MONTECATINI***

After breakfast at your hotel and hotel check-out, set out on a scenic journey to Montecatini, across the plains of Veneto. Along the way, pause in the charming city of Padua, celebrated for its historic university where Galileo once shared his ground breaking ideas. Explore the magnificent Basilica of St. Anthony, its seven domes rising majestically above the city, accompanied by your tour manager.

Then continue your journey to Montecatini, where a relaxing dinner and overnight stay await at your hotel. (B, D)





Florence (Ponte Vecchio)



Duomo & Baptistry



Santa Croce

***Day 5 -Monday, October 26th –MONTECATINI -FLORENCE***

After breakfast, transfer to Florence and meet your English-speaking local guide for a captivating walking tour of the city. Stroll through the historic streets as you discover the beauty of Santa Croce, marvel at the grandeur of the Duomo, and admire Ghiberti's renowned Baptistry Doors. In the afternoon, take time to prepare for your upcoming performance, surrounded by the inspiring atmosphere of this artistic city. (B)





David



Orvieto



Rome

***Day 6 –Tuesday, October 27th, 2026 FLORENCE -ORVIETO -ROME***

After breakfast, set out for Florence, where your tour manager walks you to Accademia Gallery. Enjoy an independent visit to admire Michelangelo's legendary masterpiece, the 'David'. Marvel at the exquisite detail and sheer brilliance of this Renaissance icon before continuing your journey south toward the Eternal City. En route, pause in the enchanting hilltop town of Orvieto, exploring its winding streets and the awe-inspiring cathedral with insights from your tour manager. In the evening, arrive in Rome and enjoy a delightful dinner at your hotel. (B, D)





Papal Audience



Colosseum



Roman Forum

***Day 7 –Wednesday, October 28th, 2026 –Rome***

This morning, attend the public Papal Audience at the Vatican (pending), soaking in the profound atmosphere of this historic gathering. In the afternoon, join your local guide for a visit of the Colosseum, stepping into the epic world of ancient gladiators and Roman grandeur. Continue your journey through the time with a visit to the Roman Forum with your Tour Managers, discovering the stories and significance at the very heart of the Roman Empire. Later, take time to rehearse for tonight's Farewell concert performance, inspired by the timeless energy of the Eternal City. Dinner is under own arrangement this evening in Rome (B)





St.Peter's Basilica



Vatican Museum



Sistine Chapel

***Day 8 –Thursday, October 29th, 2026 –ROM***

After breakfast at your hotel, a local guide accompanies you through the Vatican Museums, culminating in the awe-inspiring Sistine Chapel, and Peter's Basilica.

In the afternoon, take part in a meaningful Liturgy at St. Peter's, experiencing the spiritual heart of the Vatican. Conclude your journey with a memorable Farewell dinner, accompanied by music to celebrate the highlights of your Italian tour. (B, D)





***Day 9 –Friday, October 30th, 2026***

Transfer to the airport for your return flight to the US. (B)



# Venues



***Scuola Grande di San Rocco -Venice***

The Scuola Grande di San Rocco, a historic confraternity building in Venice, renowned for its extraordinary cycle of paintings by Tintoretto, considered one of the masterpieces of the Venetian Renaissance.



***Sant'Andrea della Valle -Rome***

Sant'Andrea della Valle, a magnificent Baroque basilica in Rome, famous for its grand dome—one of the largest in the city—and its richly decorated interior with frescoes by leading 17th-century artists.



***Santo Stefano al Ponte -Florence***

Santo Stefano al Ponte is a deconsecrated historic church in Florence near the Ponte Vecchio, dating back to the Romanesque period and today used as a cultural and exhibition space, reflecting centuries of the city's religious and artistic heritage.



# ***Hotels***



## ***Park Hotel Villa Fiorita -Treviso***

Villa Fiorita, an 18th-century mansion located in the area of Venetian villas between Treviso and Venice, with its 170 rooms divided between a splendid villa that still retains all its original charm and a modern building; the spaces are spacious and restful, the architecture gentle and harmonious, and the romantic atmospheres are permeated with nature and history.



## ***Hotel Settentrionale Esplanade Montecatini***

Located just a 3-minute walk from the city's historic thermal spa district, this hotel offers air-conditioned rooms, a traditional restaurant, and a garden with a swimming pool. Classically styled, the guest rooms are equipped with a private bathroom, flat-screen TV, minibar, and all the essential comforts for a pleasant stay.



## ***Courtyard Rome Central Park Rome***

This modern 4-star hotel in Rome's Monte Mario district, offers comfortable, air-conditioned rooms with free Wi-Fi. The hotel features an on-site restaurant and bistro with outdoor terraces, a fitness center, and a relaxing spa area. It's conveniently located near public transport, making attractions like the Vatican and Olympic Stadium easily accessible. Many rooms offer scenic views, including vistas of St. Peter's Basilica.

# *Features*

## *Included:*

- Accommodations at conveniently located 3- or 4-star hotels
- Rooming in a combination of twin room occupancy
- Daily buffet breakfast 3 Dinners, at hotels or local restaurants
- Farewell Festive dinner including beverages
- Walking guided tour of Florence
- Guided tour of Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica Guided tour of Colosseum Reserved admission to Accademia Gallery, Santa Croce Church, Vatican Museums, Colosseum & Roman Forum
- Return private motor-launch transfer in Venice
- Return funicular ride in Orvieto
- Personal headsets included throughout the tour
- Wednesday Papal Audience pending 2026 Vatican official scheduling
- Three concert arrangements including venue rental, concert permits, advertisement and on-site Catholic choir tours Assistance
- Ropes transportation to the venues for concerts
- Singing participation in liturgical service at St. Peter's Basilica
- 24/7 Emergency number in Italy during the trip



# Features



## **Not included:**

- Flights to or from Italy
- Individual airport transfers in Italy
- Beverages during meal, with the exception of Farewell meal
- Porterage
- Tips to driver/guides/tour escort
- Instrument stands
- Programs for the concerts
- Any meals not listed in your itinerary
- Travel insurance
- Incidental personal expenses
- Anything not listed under "Included Features"