

NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL  
**TREASURES OF ITALY**  
**PILGRIMAGE**

11 Days: October 7 - 17, 2024

*Visiting*

Assisi • Lanciano • San Giovanni Rotondo  
Sorrento • Monte Cassino • Rome

*Hosted by*

**Erin Blanchette**

*Executive Director, Vine of Grace Retreat Ministry*

*With Spiritual Director*

**Father Bala Kommathoti**

**\$5079 from Phoenix**

(Air/land tour price is \$4529 plus \$550 government taxes/airline surcharges.)



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**Father Bala Kommathoti** was ordained on March 13, 2002 in India. He has been a priest for 21 years. He came to Tucson in 2015, and is currently the Pastor of St. Bartholomew in San Manuel, Arizona, Blessed Sacrament in Mammoth, Arizona, and St. Helen in

Oracle, Arizona.

Father Bala teaches Level One & Two Religious Education Certification courses through the Diocese of Tucson. He is the Spiritual Director for the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Ministry and is involved in Adult Care Homes and hospital ministry as well. Fr. Bala's love for the Lord, spirit filled enthusiasm for evangelization and passion and dedication to his vocation is evident and contagious! He is a blessing to all those he serves! We are in for a treat with Fr. Bala as our Spiritual Director on our pilgrimage to Italy!

*Dear Pilgrims,*

*We want to personally invite you to join us and Fr. Bala for an unforgettable tour of Italy.*

*Together we will explore the beautiful cities of Assisi, Lanciao, San Giovanni Rotondo, Sorrento, Vatican City & Rome!*

*Our pilgrimage promises to expand and deepen our faith as we learn more about our Catholic heritage, gain a biblical & historical perspective and enjoy the beauty, landscape, cuisine, hospitality and traditions of the region!*

*We guarantee you will experience the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in a dynamic and intimate way that will enrich, impact, and inspire your spiritual journey forever.*

*Erin*

*Thank you!*

## TOUR FEATURES

- Round trip airfare from Phoenix.
- \$550 Government taxes/airline surcharges.
- Accommodations at first class/select hotels, based on two persons sharing in twin-bedded rooms with private bath.
- Breakfast daily plus (6) six dinners.
- Services of a professional, English-speaking tour director.
- Services of our finest English-speaking guides.
- Comprehensive sightseeing.
- All admission fees, portorage and hotel service charges.
- Transfers to/from airports by private motorcoach including meeting/assistance.
- Daily Mass *except on day of arrival and departure Italy.*

## YOUR DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

### MON, OCT 7 - ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Begin your exciting journey as you depart the U.S.A. onboard your flight(s) to Italy, arriving the following day.

### TUE, OCT 8 - ARRIVE ROME/ASSISI

Arrive Rome today where you will be met and transferred to Assisi, the famous city of St. Francis. Born in 1182 as Giovanni di Bernardone, the legacy of St. Francis influenced religion and culture around the world. Drive through the mystical province of Umbria stopping in Orvieto enroute (*time permitting*). **(D)**



**WED, OCT 9 - ASSISI**

This morning your walking tour includes the Basilica of St. Francis, still surrounded today by ancient walls, the Church of St. Clare and Santa Maria degli Angeli with its 'thornless rose bush'. The balance of the day is at leisure. **(B,D)**

**THU, OCT 10 - ASSISI/CASCIA/LANCIANO**

Depart Assisi and drive south to Cascia to visit the Basilica of St. Rita. Continue to Lanciano where you will visit The Eucharistic Miracle. Overnight in the Lanciano area. **(B,D)**

**FRI, OCT 11 - LANCIANO /MONTE SANT'ANGELO/  
SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO**

Drive south along the Adriatic coast to visit the Sanctuary of St. Michael the Archangel (Santuario di Michele Arcangelo), a sacred cave and popular Catholic shrine near San Giovanni Rotondo. Here the Archangel Michael is said to have appeared in 490, 492 and 1656 and consecrated the shrine himself. Continue to nearby San Giovanni Rotondo. This afternoon see the places associated with Saint Pio, the room and confessional as well as the Shrine of Our Lady of Grace which houses the tomb of Saint Pio. **(B,D)**

**SAT, OCT 12 - SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO/  
SORRENTO AREA**

This morning depart for the town of Sorrento. Perched along a hillside, Sorrento has sweeping views of the Bay of Naples and the famed Mount Vesuvius and is regarded as one of the most scenic towns in Italy. Balance of your day is free. Overnight in Sorrento area. **(B,D)**

**SUN, OCT 13 - SORRENTO AREA**

Full day at leisure to explore the many activities available in the Sorrento Area. **(B)**



**MON, OCT 14 - SORRENTO/MONTE CASSINO/ROME**

Depart this morning and drive north along the Autostrada del Sole speedway to the Benedictine Abbey of Monte Cassino, founded in AD 529 by Benedict of Nursia. Set high upon a hill overlooking the town of Cassino, the Monastery was rebuilt after heavy bombardment in World War II. On to the Eternal City of Rome. Located in the center of the Region of Lazio, Rome is a reflection of every era. The wonders of Rome surround you...a world of art, history and culture that has been attracting visitors since the beginning of Western civilization. This evening enjoy an Evening Illumination Tour. **(B)**

**TUE, OCT 15 - ROME**

Your sightseeing tour this morning takes you to Vatican City including visits to the Vatican Museum and Gallery and the Sistine Chapel with Michelangelo's magnificent frescoes. End your morning tour at the Basilica of St. Peter. This afternoon tour the Basilicas of St. Mary Major, St. John Lateran and St. Paul's outside the Walls. **(B)**

**WED, OCT 16 - ROME – PAPAL AUDIENCE**

This morning attend an Audience with Our Holy Father, Pope Francis.



The afternoon is free for personal activities. **(B,D)**

**THU, OCT 17 - ROME/PHOENIX**

All too soon your pilgrimage is over as you board your flight back home, arriving Phoenix the same day. **(B)**

*B=Breakfast D=Dinner*



## PAYMENT SCHEDULE

**Reservations may be secured upon payment of a deposit.**

- A \$500 deposit is due with your reservation
- Final payment is due at NAWAS 100 days prior to departure date

## TOUR-SPECIFIC INFORMATION

For terms and conditions please visit:

[www.nawas.com/terms-and-conditions/](http://www.nawas.com/terms-and-conditions/)

Airfare in effect on July 20, 2023, and Estimated Taxes/Airline Surcharge of \$550 in effect on July 20, 2023.

Land Costs: Based on estimated 2024 tariffs, overseas gov't taxes and rates of exchange in effect on July 20, 2023 and a minimum of 32 or more participants per coach.

Hotel Service Charges/Taxes: In effect on July 20, 2023 (excluding hotel tourist taxes).

## Customer Reviews

*"It's been my extreme pleasure to benefit from your invaluable assistance with my tours—97 so far—for the past 28 years. I wouldn't dream of letting anyone else handle the many details involved in making these difficult, exotic itineraries a success, as evidenced by my many repeat clients and their referrals. Your superb attention to detail, your honesty, and your friendship are greatly appreciated. You can count on Nawas being my 'one and only' for many years to come."*

*Ms. M.B., California*

*"As always, the arrangements for our pilgrimage by Nawas were excellent. To a person, those on the tour were filled with praise for the trip. Everything was A+."*

*Monsignor R.S., Utah*

*"You people make this easy. Everything was outstanding. Those who have been on other trips have come to expect quality and they get it!"*

*Father P.T., Ohio*

## Family Owned for 74 Years

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## We're Here to Help

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# 11 DAYS ITALY PILGRIMAGE ◆RESERVATION FORM◆

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

**MAIL TO:**

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Oro Valley, AZ 85737  
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**ACCOMMODATIONS DESIRED:**

- double room sharing with \_\_\_\_\_
- single room (\$1000 extra per person)

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as

Deposit (\$500 per person) for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s)

**Please include a clear photocopy of your Passport with this Reservation Form  
Clearly print your full name (last/first/middle) as it appears on your passport:**

**Passenger #1**

Name: Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last \_\_\_\_\_  
 First \_\_\_\_\_  
 Middle \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gender: Please check  Male  Female

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Issued: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Expires: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Date of Birth: 

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Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

**Passenger #2**

Name: Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last \_\_\_\_\_  
 First \_\_\_\_\_  
 Middle \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gender: Please check  Male  Female

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

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You understand that this reservation form serves as your acceptance of the policies of our Terms and Conditions including our cancellation policies, which can be found at [www.nawas.com/terms-and-conditions/](http://www.nawas.com/terms-and-conditions/). You should read our Terms and Conditions including our cancellation policies in their entirety before making any booking. If you are unable to access the Terms and Conditions on the NAWAS website, you must contact us in writing prior to booking the tour so that we may send you a copy by mail. You acknowledge that this tour has tour-specific conditions that are detailed in the "Tour-Specific Information" section of this brochure and that these details are hereby made a part of your agreement with us and with our Terms and Conditions. By signing this form, you acknowledge that you have visited the aforementioned web address where our Terms and Conditions are located and that you have read our Terms and Conditions in their entirety, fully understand them, and agree to them. If unable to access the NAWAS website, you acknowledge that you have contacted us prior to booking the tour, received a copy of our Terms and Conditions and read our Terms and Conditions in their entirety, fully understand them, and agree to them. You understand that the air-inclusive tour you are purchasing is subject to supplemental price increases that may be imposed after the date of purchase. Post-purchase price increases may be applied due to additional costs imposed by a supplier or government. You acknowledge that you may be charged additional sums by Nawas International Travel Service, Inc. to offset increased fees, taxes, airline imposed international surcharges, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination thereof along with any other items as outlined in our Terms and Conditions. You hereby consent to any post-purchase price increases and authorize Nawas International Travel Service, Inc. to charge yourself and all members of your traveling party for such additional amounts. For purchasers within CA: By signing this form you acknowledge that you have read the applicable California disclosures in our Terms and Conditions.

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Signature Passenger #1

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Signature Passenger #2

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Date