# HIGHLIGHTS OF ITALY

visiting

Venice • Florence • Sorrento Area • Rome

Rev. Dr. Gary Langensiepen

11 Days: November 4 - 14, 2009

\$2699 from New York



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Dear Friends and Parishioners,

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to join me on a fabulous trip to beautiful and historic Italy!

This eleven day excursion will allow us to experience all the highlights that this magnificent country has to offer. After flying from New York, our trip will begin in

the city of Venice which is actually built on 118 small islands some four kilometers from the mainland. From Venice, we will travel to Pisa where we will see the famous leaning tower, and then on to Florence, the cradle of Renaissance art and the former domain of the infamous Medici family. From Florence, we will travel south through the Neapolitan countryside to the cliff top town of Sorrento. From the Sorrento area, we head to ancient Pompeii, a city destroyed by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in the year 79 AD. After exploring the ruins of this ancient city with its well preserved temples, baths, theatres and dwellings, we will head to the eternal city of Rome. The final three days of our journey will be spent in Rome where we will enjoy a guided tour but also have plenty of free time to explore the city on our own.

Finally, when our journey ends, we will board our plane in Rome and head back to New York, amazed by the wonders we have seen and surrounded by new friends who have joined us on our trip of a lifetime.

Please allow this brochure to open the door for you to a most memorable and enjoyable time in Italy. Send in your deposit now in order to reserve your place on this magnificent tour. Then get ready for the time of your life, an experience you will never forget.

Sincerely,
The Rev. Dr. Gary J. Langensiepen

## **TOUR FEATURES**

- Round trip airfare from New York.
- Accommodations at First Class Hotels.
- Most meals.
- Services of Professional Tour Escort.
- Comprehensive Sightseeing Throughout.
- \$100,000 Automatic Flight Insurance.\*
- All Service Charges and Local Hotel Taxes.

\*Subject to policy terms and limitations.

## YOUR DAY-TO-DAY ITINERARY

## WED, NOV 4 - NEW YORK/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Depart New York today on board your overnight transatlantic jet flight to Venice, arriving the following day. Enroute, enjoy dinner followed by a full-length movie.

## THU, NOV 5 - VENICE

Your exciting adventure begins as you arrive in Venice. Transfer to your hotel. Balance of the day at leisure. (D)

## FRI, NOV 6 - VENICE

Start your day with a sightseeing tour of Venice, built on 118 small islands lying some four kilometers from the mainland. Venetian highways are made of water and numerous, picturesque bridges link the islands. Highlights include St. Mark's Square, the Byzantine Basilica San Marco, the Palace of the Doges and the Bridge of Sighs. Leisure time this afternoon for shopping, exploring or relaxing at an outdoor trattoria. (B,D)

## SAT, NOV 7 - VENICE/PISA/FLORENCE

Today's drive takes you through the serene Tuscan countryside to Pisa, where you will view the famous Leaning Tower. Continue to Florence, the cradle of Renaissance Art and former stronghold of the infamous Medici family. From Botticelli to Da Vinci, the city is unsurpassed in art treasures and the glory of its history. Continue to your hotel for overnight. (B,D)

## SUN, NOV 8 - FLORENCE

Your morning sightseeing tour takes you to the Piazza della Signoria where the Neptune Fountain stands, the Santa Croce Church, and the Baptistry with its renowned "Gates of Paradise" doors. Be sure to look for Giotto's Bell Tower! To top it all, see Michelangelo's original statue of David at the Academia. In your free afternoon, you may shop along the famous Ponte Vecchio or explore other Florentine delights. (B,D)

# MON, NOV 9 - FLORENCE/SORRENTO AREA

Say good-bye to Florence as you travel south today through the well-tilled fields and orchards of the Neapolitan country-side. Continue along the magnificent coastline to the cliff-top town of Sorrento. Overnight in the Sorrento area. (B,D)



## TUE, NOV 10 - SORRENTO/AMALFI COASTLINE/ **SORRENTO**

Today's scenery is breathtaking as you travel along the magnificent Amalfi coastline. Sheer cliffs and hillsides, olive, lemon and orange trees and spectacular views of the Mediterranean make this one of Italy's greatest treasures. Return to Sorrento where you will see a wood carving display (Intarsia). Free time to stroll about or shop for fine linens and ceramics.

## WED, NOV 11 - SORRENTO/POMPEII/ROME

Depart this morning for Pompeii, a city destroyed by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in the year 79 A.D. Visit the excavations where the life of 20 centuries ago comes alive with its incredibly preserved temples, baths, theaters and many dwellings.

Follow the Autostrada del Sole speedway across Roman countryside enroute to the unforgettable and 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. (B,D)

## THU, NOV 12 - ROME

Your sightseeing tour this morning takes you to Vatican City. See the wonderful art treasures in the Vatican Museum and Gallery and Raphael's Rooms. View Michelangelo's magnificent frescoes in the Sistine Chapel including the famous Last Judgment and The Creation of Man. This afternoon tour the remnants of "Ancient" Rome. Visit the Colosseum that once held 50,000 spectators, and see romantic Trevi Fountain. (B)

# FRI, NOV 13 - ROME

Enjoy a free day in Rome, where you may explore some of the city's 400 churches or shop along the Via Veneto.

## SAT, NOV 14 - ROME/NEW YORK

Bid farewell to Rome as you board your return flight to New York, arriving the same day.

B=Continental Breakfast

D=Table d'hote dinner

# RESERVATION FORM

Please read the all-inclusive tour features and conditions. Then complete this handy form. Book early!

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:

#### NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

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#### Accommodation Desired:

Emergency Contact.

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## **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

DEPOSITS AND FINAL PAYMENTS: A deposit of \$300 per person is required at

time of booking. No reservation is considered firm until deposit has been received. Full payment is due 100 days prior to departure.

TRAYEL DOCUMENTS: A U.S.A. passport valid for 6 months after date of reentry into the U.S.A. is required. (Non-U.S.A. citizens may require visas in addition

THE TOUR PRICE INCLUDES A DISCOUNT FOR CASH PAYMENT AND:

AIR TRANSPORTATION: By any IATAN/ARC jet carrier in economy class based on non-refundable bulk group fares. Airlines reserve the right to impose full cancellation penalties. All deviation requests from the group titnerary must be received at Nawas in writing no later than 100 days prior to departure. A \$100 fee per person will be charged on all deviations in addition to any extra airfare that may be incurred. Air deviations are subject to availability and restrictions as imposed by the airline.

We strongly recommend all tour members retain both their ticket receipts and boarding passes as copies of same cannot be provided. SURFACE TRANSPORTATION: By deluxe motorcoach.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: In first class hotels based on 2 persons sharing a twin bedded room with a private bath. Nawas cannot guarantee roommates. A person faking a single room (subject to availability) must pay a supplement of \$650.

MEALS: Continental breakfast daily and 7 dinners are provided

SIGHTSEEING: As specified in the litinerary using motorcoach transportation or other conveyances as required. Entrance fees and the services of local Englishspeaking guides are included.

TRANSFERS: Assistance and transfers from airports to hotels and vice versa in

SERVICE CHARGES AND TAXES: Service charges and taxes normally included in bills, government taxes on hotel bills, taxes on sightseeing and excursion trips and porterage of one normal-size suitcase (maximum weight 50 lbs.) are included

FLIGHT INSURANCE: Automatic one hundred thousand dollars flight insurance policy for each Nawas-ticked passenger, subject to policy terms and limitations. BAGGAGE: Allowed free of charge to your first overseas destination and from most points of return to the U.S.A.: a maximum of one bag per person with a combined length, width and height of 62 inches plus "underseat" baggage, with total dimensions of 45 inches. Beyond the first overseas stopover point, as well as Trom some points of return to the U.S.A., a free weight allowance of up to 50 lbs. (economy class) and 66 lbs. (first class) applies. Excess baggage will be charged at the established rates. Maximum care will be taken to safeguard baggage, but Nawas Travel accepts no liability for loss or damage. Baggage insurance is recommended and is available upon request.

#### THE TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

U.S. taxes, overseas airport taxes, overseas local government taxes, airline security fees/surcharges and fuel surcharges (taxes/surcharges estimated at \$300 to \$400 per person), passport fees, visa fees (if arry), phone calls, valet/laundry service, wines, liquors, mineral water, after dinner coffee or tea, tips to escort, guides, drivers and waiters, sightseeing and other services not specifically mentioned,

excess baggage and all other items of a purely personal nature.

CANCELLATIONS: For written cancellations received by Nawas Travel up to 100 days prior to departure, refunds will be made less a \$100 per person administrative fee. From 99 to 70 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to a \$300 per person cancellation fee. From 69 to 30 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to 50% cancellation fee of the total tour price per person. From 29 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to 100% cancellation fee of the total tour price per person. Failure to receive final payment by the due date may result in the cancellation of your reservation and the forfeiture of your deposit. Airline tickets are not refundable once issued. No refunds will be given for any unused services while on tour.

We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance to allow for any unexpected medical emergency. Trip cancellation insurance is available upon written request.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The airfare used is based on non-refundable bulk group fares in effect on March 6, 2008 and is subject to change by the airlines without prior notice. Tour members will be required to pay any airfare increases as imposed by the airlines prior to departure. Airlines require a minimum of 10 persons departing

by the airlines prior to departure. Airlines require a minimum of 10 persons departing from the same gateway city.

Land costs are based on a minimum of 32 participants, overseas government taxes, 2008 tariffs and exchange rates in effect as of March 6, 2008. The right is reserved to adjust the land costs consistent with normal increases as well as fluctuations in exchange rates. Any increases in land costs or airfare that may subsequently occur will be collected from each passenger prior to departure.

Please note that healthcare/medical costs outside the U.S.A. are not covered by Medicare and many private medical insurance plans. Please consult with your health insurance supplier to obtain the necessary health/medical coverage for

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RESPONSIBILITY: NAWAS INTÉRNATIONAL TRAVEL SERVICE, INC. (NAWAS), and their agents act only in the capacity of agents in all matters pertaining to hotel accommodations, sightseeing tours and transportation, whether by railroad, motorcoach, car, steamship, boat, air or any other means. Except for the willful negligence of its direct employees, NAWAS is not liable for any damage, loss (including but not limited to personal injury, loss of enjoyment, distress, death any property loss), expense or inconvenience caused by any act or omission of any supplier providing tour services or by any other person or reason whatsoever or by any delays or changes in the itinerary, or the acts and omissions of the tour leader. NAWAS reserves the right to cancel the tour at any time, to operate the tour without a tour host/leader at any time, to decline or retain any person as a member of the tour for any cause at any time, or to make changes in the published itinerary whenever in their sole judgement conditions warrant, or if they deem it necessary for the comfort, convenience or conditions warrant, or if they deem it necessary for the comfort, convenience or safety of the tour. All prices are based on current rates of exchange and while every effort will be made to hold them firm, they are subject to change. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. The passage contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchasers of this tour and/or passengers. The services of any IATAN/ARC air carrier may be used in connection with the tour.

Payment of deposits by tour participants indicates acceptance of the above terms and General Conditions. The venue for any dispute is Fairfield County, Connecticut. The laws of the state of Connecticut will apply.

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