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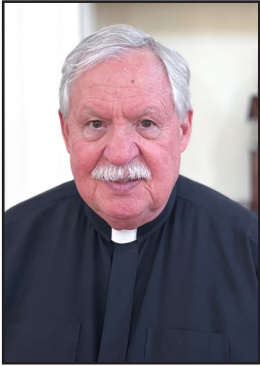
*Greeks, Arab-Normans & Jesuits: 2,500 Years on One Island
Including: Palermo, Agrigento, Piazza Armerina, Siracusa, Catania,
Messina, Cefalu & more!*

**Pilgrimage led by Fr. Ben Hawley, SJ
Holy Trinity Parish, Georgetown, Washington, D.C.**

13-Days: November 3 to 15, 2024



AN INVITATION TO JOIN US



Fr. Ben Hawley SJ

Pilgrims like us embark on pilgrimage to find, if not “the holy blissful martyr,” then certainly God who invites us into deeper experience of God. And not just God but also of ourselves as people of faith and of God who acted in the history of our ancestors, their experience of God, of themselves and the culture around them.

Beginning around 1060AD the Norman French, who conquered England in 1066, conquered present-day Italy and Sicily, bringing with them their language, culture, and religion. In Sicily they found an already-thriving culture of Latins, Arab Muslims and Byzantine Greeks. Rather than repress them, the Normans settled among them, offering them religious liberty, and drawing on their artistry to build what we now call the Arab-Norman church. We will visit some of these cathedrals as well as other churches and religious sites. And not just visit but also pray and reflect on this history as part of our story of faith. To ground this history we will visit some of the best-preserved Greek temples from the 6th Century BC as well as Roman ruins that St Paul may have visited.

Jesuits came to Sicily as missionaries just after the Society’s founding in 1540, building the Gesu Church in Palermo in 1571, which we will visit. The growing middle class found in the Jesuits the ability to organize schools and teach. Beginning with a school in Messina in 1548, education became the major work of the Society. We will visit present-day Jesuit sites to recall this long history.

We will make this retreat in the Ignatian manner, knowing ourselves as pilgrims, seeking God in our experience, balancing reflection on experience with celebrating the Eucharist together in several churches we visit.

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WASHINGTON, DC

OUR DAILY ITINERARY

DAY 1, SUNDAY, NOV 3: DEPART THE USA

- This morning, we gather at Washington Dulles Airport for our flight to Rome, with complimentary meals and beverages served on board

DAY 2, MONDAY, NOV 4: ARRIVE PALERMO: TRANSFER TO HOTEL

- We arrive in Rome and transfer to our flight to Palermo
- Upon arrival in Palermo, we meet our Catholic Travel Centre tour manager who will accompany us throughout our journey

- We board our private motor coach and begin a panoramic tour of the city until check-in time at our hotel
- At one time the favored haunt of writers, poets and artists, Palermo’s esoteric beauty seduces its visitors. The city manages to hang on to its essential fascination drawing its personality from the peoples who have populated its streets over the ages – Byzantine, Arab, Norman and others – all who have left their indelible mark not only in the form of a rich artistic heritage but in the very vital rhythm of life in the city
- We gather for dinner at the hotel restaurant (D)

DAY 3, TUESDAY, NOV 5: PALERMO: VISIT GESU CHURCH & CITY TOUR

- Breakfast served at our hotel and orientation to the day
- The Jesuits arrived in Palermo in 1549, and by the late 16th century began building a church adjacent to their professed house (*casa professa*) based on a design by the Jesuit architect Giovanni Tristano
- We visit and celebrate Mass at the Church of the Gesù known also as the Saint Mary of Jesus (Santa Maria di Gesù) or the Casa Professa, a Baroque-style, Jesuit Church
- We visit and have an encounter with the leadership at the nearby *Centro Astalli*, a center for immigrants under the auspices of Jesuit Refugee Services
- We have time for lunch on our own
- Afternoon visit of the Cathedral of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary, erected in 1185. We will see the monumental tombs of King Roger II and various family members. They are the very first examples of medieval free-standing secular tombs in the West
- Our guide will complete our day with a walking tour of the city. For those interested in visiting the Palatine Chapel in the Norman Palace, you are welcome to do so on your own
- Dinner tonight is served at the hotel restaurant (B, D)

DAY 4, WEDNESDAY, NOV 6: PALERMO: EXCURSION TO MONREALE & LEISURE TIME

- Breakfast served at our hotel
- Depart by motor coach to Monreale
- We visit the Cathedral (Santa Maria la Nuovo) begun in 1174. This cathedral was built at the order of William II. The interior walls of the Cathedral are completely decorated with mosaics of glittering gold that portray scenes from the Old and New Testament
- We gather for lunch at a local restaurant in Monreale
- We return to Palermo for some time to explore the city on our own
- Dinner is on our own this evening in Palermo to explore the local restaurants (B, L)

DAY 5, THURSDAY, NOV 7: PALERMO / AGRIGENTO: VALLEY OF THE TEMPLES

- Breakfast served at our hotel.
- Check out of hotel and board motor coach for Agrigento, home of a democracy 2500 years ago
- We will stop for lunch on our own at a local restaurant
- Our focus this afternoon is the archaeological site of the Valley of the Temples, where we will enjoy a guided visit of this UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is one of the most outstanding examples of ancient

Greek art and architecture and is one of the main attractions of Sicily

- Check-in at hotel, and dinner follows at the hotel restaurant (B, D)

DAY 6, FRIDAY, NOV 8: AGRIGENTO: VISIT OF THE CATHEDRAL, CHURCH OF SANTA MARIA DEI GRECI, BENEDICTINE MONASTERY & MUSEUM

- Breakfast served at our hotel and orientation to the day
- We will visit the Cathedral dedicated to St. Gerland, built in the original Arab-Norman style. Consecrated in 1099, the cathedral was part of an "ecclesia munita" (fortified church), a place of worship and defense. Originally dedicated to the Virgin Mary of the Assumption, it was later consecrated to St. Gerland. Here we celebrate Mass.
- Walking through the Via di Santa Maria dei Greci we access the small church of the same name in the oldest district of the medieval city. Built in the 12th century, it rests its foundations on the base of a Doric temple from the 5th century BC. The Church with its small and elegant courtyard, has a façade with a thirteenth-century Arab-Norman portal and beautiful single-lancet windows
- Free time for lunch on your own to explore the restaurants and shops along Via Atenea, the town's main pedestrian thoroughfare
- Afternoon visit to the former Monastery of the Holy Spirit. It was the home of the Benedictine nuns until the mid-19th century. It is now a civic museum
- We return to our hotel for dinner and the evening (B, D)

DAY 7, SATURDAY, NOV 9: AGRIGENTO / PIAZZA ARMERINA: PRIORY OF ANDREA & VILLA ROMANA DEL CASALE / CATANIA

- Breakfast served at our hotel and orientation to the day
- Check out of hotel and board our motor coach
- Arrive in Piazza Armerina
- We visit the Church of St. Andrea, which belongs to the Grand Priory of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. It is the oldest church in Piazza Armerina and one of the most interesting works for the Sicilian Middle Ages. Here we celebrate Mass
- We will have some time in Piazza Armerina for lunch on our own
- We visit the Villa Romana del Casale from the 4th century AD, an elaborate Roman villa housing among the largest and richest collection of Roman mosaics anywhere, earning it the distinction of a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Continue on to Catania for check-in at our hotel
- Dinner is served at our hotel restaurant (B, D)

DAY 8, SUNDAY, NOV 10: CATANIA: VISIT OF THE BENEDICTINE MONASTERY, CATHEDRAL, AND JESUIT CHURCH

- Breakfast served at our hotel and orientation to the day
- We visit the Benedictine Monastery and Church St. Nicolo l'Arena (desacralized), a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- We continue with a walking tour of the city
- Lunch is on our own
- This afternoon we visit the Cathedral Basilica of St. Agatha, followed by a visit to the nearby Abbey of St. Agatha, patron saint and protector of the city. Devotion to the Saint protected the people of Catania from the Plague, the invasion of the Moors and the eruptions of Etna
- We visit the Jesuit Church of the Holy Crucifix of Miracles, built in 1785. Here we celebrate Mass
- Dinner this evening is served at a local restaurant (B, D)

DAY 9, MONDAY, NOV 11: CATANIA: EXCURSION TO SIRACUSA: NEAPOLIS, CATACOMBS OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST & CATHEDRAL OF BIRTH OF THE VIRGIN MARY

- Breakfast served at our hotel and orientation to the day
- Today we make an excursion to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Siracusa, known for its Greek and Roman history. It is the birthplace of Archimedes
- We visit the Neapolis Archeological Park, containing the stunning Greek Theatre as well as the Roman Amphitheatre that combine to make this one of the greatest archaeological sites in all of Italy
- We visit the nearby Catacombs of St. John the Baptist which contain some 20,000 early Christian tombs and the ruins of the Church of St. John the Baptist where tradition tells us St. Paul preached (Acts 28:11-13). The building has an inscription in memory of the brief stay of St. Paul in Siracusa: "HIC OLIM SYRACUSIS TRIDUO MANENTIS." (*He stayed in Siracusa for three days*)
- We enjoy some free time for lunch on our own
- We will visit the Cathedral of the Birth of the Virgin Mary in Ortigia. The ancient site dates back to the 5th century BC. The present Cathedral was constructed in the 7th century. As of 2015, the cathedral holds a number of relics of St. Lucy, the patroness of the city
- We return to Catania
- Dinner this evening is served at a local restaurant (B, D)

DAY 10, TUESDAY, NOV 12: CATANIA / MESSINA / CEFALU

- Breakfast served at our hotel and orientation to the day
- Check out from our hotel and travel to Messina
- Visit the Metropolitan Cathedral of Our Lady of the Assumption. Built by the Normans, it was consecrated in 1197 by the Archbishop Berardo.

The current building is the final result of some twentieth-century reconstructions, which took place following the disastrous earthquake of 1908, and the considerable damage that resulted from the heavy aerial bombardment in World War II. Only an original mosaic and statue have survived. The tower houses the Messina astronomical clock, the largest astronomical clock in the world

- Visit site of the original Jesuit College, the first Jesuit educational institution founded in 1548 and see the preserved portico from the 16th century
- Lunch follows at a nearby restaurant
- Continue to Cefalu for check-in at our hotel
- Dinner served at the hotel restaurant (B,L,D)

DAY 11, WEDNESDAY, NOV 13: CEFALU: VISIT OF THE TOWN

- Breakfast served at our hotel and orientation to the day
- We will visit the Holy Spirit Cathedral. It was erected between 1131 and 1240 in the Norman architectural style. According to tradition, the building was erected after a vow made to the Holy Savior by the King of Sicily, Roger II, after he escaped from a storm to land on the city's beach. The building has a fortress-like character and, seen from a distance, it dominates the skyline of the surrounding medieval town. It made a powerful statement of the Norman presence. Here we celebrate the closing Mass of our pilgrimage
- Time to stroll the friendly streets and Piazza Duomo
- Afternoon at our leisure
- Dinner is served at our hotel restaurant (B, D)

DAY 12, THURSDAY, NOV 14: CEFALU / PALERMO: BALLARO MARKET & PEDRO ARRUPE INSTITUTE

- Breakfast served at our hotel and orientation to the day
- Check out of hotel and continue to Palermo to experience the Ballaro Market, the city's largest outdoor market
- We visit the Pedro Arrupe Institute for Political Formation, a Jesuit educational institute (subject to confirmation)
- We enjoy a farewell lunch at a local restaurant with final reflection and prayer
- The afternoon and dinner are at our leisure, to prepare for our early departure tomorrow (B, L)

DAY 13, FRIDAY, NOV 15: RETURN TO THE USA

- This morning we check out and transfer to the airport for our return flight to the USA

Note: *While no changes are anticipated, there may be unforeseen occasions when certain alterations become necessary to this itinerary, either due to changes in airline schedules or for other reasons. All Masses and local visits are subject to local schedules and to substitution if not available.*

Pricing & Registration Information: Tour Number 24-064-1103

HOW TO REGISTER: Registrations are processed in the order received and many groups fill up quickly, so please register soon. Deadline for initial registration is **May 15, 2024**. To attempt to register after this date, inquire first to learn if any space is still available. Online registration is not available at this time.

To make your reservation, complete the Registration Form included in this PDF document and submit your \$1,000 per person deposit, mailed to the address shown on the bottom of the Registration Form. CTC will send your invoice via postal mail within two weeks of our receipt of your deposit. Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure, by **July 6, 2024**.

TRAVEL PACKAGES: We offer two types of tour packages and two forms of payment:

Packages

- 1) Full Package (including airfare)
- 2) Land Only Package (travelers make their own airline arrangements).

Payment

- 1) Discount Price (payment by check or money order)
- 2) Standard Price (payment by credit or debit card).

Prices are per person based on double occupancy. A limited number of single rooms and cabins are available at the supplement shown below.

CASH DISCOUNT PRICE (payable by check or money order)

Full Package: \$5,999 from Washington Dulles (IAD), plus tips of \$225 for total tour cost of: **\$6,224**

Land Only Package: \$4,999 plus tips of \$225 for total tour cost of: **\$5,224**

STANDARD PRICE (payable by credit or debit card)

Full Package: \$6,358 from Washington Dulles (IAD), plus tips of \$225 for total tour cost of: **\$6,583**

Land Only Package: \$5,358 plus tips of \$225 for total tour cost of: **\$5,583**

SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT: \$895

YOUR PRICE INCLUDES: Airfare based on non-refundable, restricted economy class group fares only on regularly scheduled IATA carrier from Washington Dulles (IAD) airport; first class or best available accommodations (all with private facilities); sightseeing; and meals per itinerary (B, L, D); and is based on a minimum of 25 fully paying passengers per motor coach. Please see the Registration Form and Terms & Conditions for more details.

HEALTH DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS: Please refer to the Terms and Conditions of this brochure for guidance on documentation requirements.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Once your initial registration non-refundable deposit is processed by CTC, you will receive an email with information on suggested travel insurance options. CTC strongly suggests the purchase of travel insurance to help protect your investment in the trip and to help provide medical coverage outside the United States. We also strongly suggest you purchase the broadest coverage available with the least amount of exclusions. Because some travel insurance plans contain time-sensitive benefits, we encourage you to do your research and purchase insurance in a timely manner.

AIRLINE DEVIATIONS, SEATING, UPGRADES, AND FREQUENT FLYER

BOOKINGS: Deviations from the group flight itinerary, specific seat assignments, seat upgrades, and bookings using "frequent flyer" program points are not possible within the terms of our group airline contract. If these items are important to you, we advise you register for the "Land Only" package.

WALKING: Please note, this journey involves considerable walking on cobblestone streets and uneven pavement and requires being on your feet more than usual. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy this pilgrimage to its fullest.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS & CONDITIONS: Any payments made by a Traveler or on behalf of the Traveler ("Traveler", "you") to Catholic Travel Centre (CTC) toward any CTC tour shall constitute acceptance of all Terms & Conditions provided herein.

PAYMENT TERMS: All payments shall be made on the dates indicated in the payment schedule, noted in the Registration Information section. Late payments are subject to a non-refundable \$150 fee, and may result in cancellation. A Traveler registering within 120 days prior to departure must provide full payment by cashier check, plus a non-refundable late registration \$150 fee. CTC reserves the right to cancel registrations not paid in full 105 days prior to tour departure and to charge fees per the Cancellation Policy. A non-refundable \$75 fee is charged on all returned payments. Travelers agree not to dispute any credit card charges associated with this trip before contacting CTC first to resolve their concerns. CTC retains the right to dispute any chargeback that is improper and recover any costs, including attorney's fees related to improper chargebacks. Additionally, in the event of an improper chargeback, CTC retains the right to cancel any travel reservation related to that improper chargeback NOTE: Credit card charges will not show as "travel expense" on your credit card statement, but will appear as "specialty services", "shopping" or another designation.

CHANGES IN PACKAGE: After initial invoicing, changes from the air inclusive package ("Full Package") to "Land Only" or vice versa are subject to a non-refundable \$75 per person per change fee. Changes must be requested in writing to CTC at least 130 days prior to departure date (subject to availability). Late requests to change the package may not be accommodated.

CHANGES IN FORM OF PAYMENT: To change from Cash Discount to Standard pricing, the difference between prices plus an additional \$75 fee applies. After a Traveler's credit card has been charged for any portion of the tour, s/he is ineligible for the Cash Discount Price.

PARTIAL PACKAGES NOT AVAILABLE: Tour Packages are offered as described in this brochure, at the stated price. Partial package purchase is not available.

INDIVIDUAL CANCELLATION POLICY: CTC's cancellation policy is in effect upon first payment toward any CTC tour. A Traveler's cancellation must be provided in writing either by email, fax, or registered mail to CTC. The cancellation by the Traveler is effective on the date of the cancellation email, fax, or date of postmark. The Traveler forfeits the following fees to CTC based on the date of cancellation notice: anytime up to 120 days prior to departure, \$500 fee; 119 to 90 days prior to departure, \$500 fee plus 25% of Land Cost (all costs except airfare and related taxes, fees, surcharges); 89 to 60 days prior to departure, \$500 fee plus 50% of Land Cost plus the full cost of all of the Traveler's airline travel (including airfare and related taxes, fees, surcharges); 59 days or fewer, all payments by Traveler made to CTC are forfeited, and there are no refunds. In event of individual cancellation, no name changes or substitutions are permitted. **No shows:** Passengers who do not show up for the group's departing flight (or land only passengers who do not show for first hotel night) will be considered as tour cancellations: their airline and/or hotel reservations will automatically be cancelled and cannot be reinstated.

PRICES: If the group does not reach the size advertised, the price or programming will be adjusted accordingly. Pricing is based on exchange rates and fares applicable at the time of quotation and is subject to change. Fuel surcharges are subject to increase up to 30 days prior to departure.

PASSPORT: A valid passport is required of all U.S. citizen passengers. Travelers of other nationalities should inquire with the appropriate embassies, and such Travelers are responsible for securing their own visas if required in addition to their valid passport. Travelers' passports must be valid for six (6) months following the return date of the trip. CTC expressly denies any responsibility for any losses incurred due to insufficient validity of a Traveler's passport.

HEALTH & MEDICAL CONSIDERATIONS: The Traveler is responsible for identifying and securing any health/medical related documentation required by the airlines and/or countries visited on the itinerary, and CTC bears no responsibility for the passenger not providing the required documentation. If a country requires proof of COVID vaccination and/or a negative COVID test, it is the responsibility of the passenger to secure such documentation within the required timeframe as a condition for joining this tour.

The Traveler agrees not to hold CTC, our suppliers, or the group leaders responsible should they contract any illness during or after their travel. It is highly recommended Travelers be medically healthy and physically capable of significant walking. CTC tours involve international travel to foreign countries that have different standards of accessibility than U.S. law. Transportation services, which are provided by third parties, as well as visited sites and accommodations, which are not owned, leased, or controlled by CTC, may not be compliant with

accessibility standards required by U.S. law. CTC cannot guarantee wheelchair, motorized scooter, or walker accessibility during a trip and does not provide individual assistance to Travelers. If a Traveler requires special individual assistance, the Traveler, not CTC, is responsible for bringing and paying for a capable companion willing to assist the Traveler. CTC assumes no responsibility for Travelers' inability to fully participate in the tour, nor does CTC provide any refund for non-participation in any part of the tour.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: CTC strongly suggests the purchase of Travel Insurance to help protect Travelers' investment in the trip and to help provide medical coverage outside the United States. We also strongly suggest you purchase the broadest coverage available with the least amount of exclusions. Travel Insurance is encouraged because CTC strictly adheres to our Cancellation Policy. Because some Travel Insurance plans contain time-sensitive benefits, we encourage Travelers to do their research and purchase insurance in a timely manner. CTC is not qualified to answer technical questions about the benefits, exclusions, and conditions of travel insurance plans. CTC cannot evaluate the adequacy of the prospective insured's existing insurance coverage. If you have any questions about your travel protection, call your insurer or insurance agent or broker. Declining to purchase an adequate travel protection plan could result in the loss of your travel cost and/or require more money to correct the situation. You also acknowledge that without this coverage, there may be no way to recoup any losses, costs, or expenses incurred. If you choose to travel without adequate coverage, CTC will not be liable for any of your losses howsoever arising, for which trip protection plan coverage would otherwise have been available.

STATE DEPARTMENT & OTHER AGENCIES' ADVISORIES: The State Department (www.state.gov), the Center for Disease Control (www.cdc.gov), and other government departments and agencies may issue travel advisories or warnings for one or more of the destinations visited on tour, and such advisories or warnings may even be in effect at the time of your registration for this tour. Should you choose to travel to a country that has been issued a travel warning or advisory, CTC will not be liable for damages or losses that result from travel to such destinations. CTC cannot change its Cancellation Policy or Terms & Conditions based on any such warning or advisory or the occurrence of any terror, health, pandemic, or other incident in one or more of the places this tour is scheduled to visit. All cancellation penalties remain in full force and effect. It is your responsibility to be aware of any and all requirements for admittance to a country or state, including COVID-19 requirements. Certain countries have a requirement for foreign visitors to have valid medical insurance on entry. CTC cannot be held responsible for denied entry if the Traveler is unable to provide details to authorities of insurance or denial of entry for any reason.

ITINERARY: The itinerary presented in this brochure represents what CTC is planning for this trip; however, the itinerary is subject to final confirmations and changes in local schedules. While no changes are anticipated, CTC, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to change the itinerary, as it deems necessary or advisable. CTC is not responsible for costs or fees related to itinerary changes necessitated by changes in an airline's schedule or other arrangements not made through CTC.

FINAL TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: Travelers receive travel documents by email approximately two weeks prior to departure. Bulk items such as luggage and names tags will be shipped by CTC to group leaders for distribution.

ACCOMMODATIONS AND MEALS: Accommodations are based on double/twin rooms with private bathroom facilities. A limited number of single rooms are available and are subject to a single room supplement fee. If no roommate is available for you, or your roommate cancels prior to departure, a single room supplement surcharge applies. Triple rooms are not always available and are discouraged because of cramped quarters; no price reduction for triple rooms. Meals are either menu of the day or buffet. Included meals are as shown in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner).

AIR TRANSPORTATION: All airline tickets are round-trip economy class and non-refundable unless specifically stated. Any cancellation, itinerary change, or failure to use confirmed space is subject to penalties and/or fees levied by the airline at the time of ticketing. Airfare, airline carrier, and airline schedules are subject to change without notice. Airline fees and fuel or security fee surcharges (if any) occurring after the date of brochure publication are the responsibility of the Traveler.

AIRLINE DEVIATIONS, SEATING, UPGRADES & FREQUENT FLYER BOOKINGS: The following are not possible within the terms of CTC's group airline contract: specific seat assignments, seat upgrades, services deviating from the group itinerary, booking using frequent flyer points and airline credit. If these items are important to you, CTC advises you to register for the "Land Only" package. Additionally, CTC does not record Traveler frequent flyer numbers, TSA numbers, or Global Entry numbers. Passengers must submit this information on their own at the airport at the time of check-in.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS (CONTINUED)

LAND ONLY PASSENGERS: Travelers arranging their own airline ticket must meet the group at the first hotel of the itinerary.

BAGGAGE & PORTERAGE: Baggage is at Traveler's risk. Traveler should confirm the checked and carry-on baggage specifications with the air carrier specified in Final Travel Documents. Any checked baggage fees, if applicable, are not included in the tour price. Checked baggage is limited to one bag per person (subject to change by airline) and must adhere to airline specifications. Porterage for one piece of luggage is included at hotels; no porterage at airports.

NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE: Passports, visas, meals and beverages not mentioned, extras beyond standard menu, baggage fees, telephone calls, laundry, medical tests, and other items not explicitly stated as included.

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UNUSED SERVICES: There is no right to a refund for any unused services, including airline tickets.

LIABILITY DISCLAIMER: CTC hereby expressly disclaims any and all liability for any personal injury, property damage, loss of baggage, accident, delay or irregularity, any claim for special or consequential damages, or any other loss that may be occasioned by the acts and/or omissions, whether negligent, wrongful, or intentional of any air carrier, hotel/motel, or other lodging operator, railroad operator, bus operator, public transportation, sea carrier, local sightseeing company, tour operator, tour leader, or spiritual director, any employees thereof, or for any other entity or individual not under the direct supervision and control of CTC when engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangements of the tour, or otherwise in connection therewith. CTC further disclaims any liability for any damages, losses, or expenses incurred, or inconvenience caused, due to delay or changes in schedules, defaults, over-booking of hotels or airlines, sickness, weather, strikes, quarantines, acts of terrorism, construction, war, pandemic, force majeure, or other such events that are beyond CTC's control. CTC likewise disclaims any liability for statements, actions, or inactions of any intermediary agents, such as group administrators, spiritual directors, tour leaders, travel agents, or any other intermediary involved with the selling, promotion, or operation of CTC's tours. Furthermore, to the fullest extent permitted by law, CTC disclaims any liability for any damages or injuries, or other losses whatsoever, sustained or incurred as a result of the negligence of CTC. Group administrators, spiritual leaders, and tour leaders likewise expressly disclaim any liability for the acts and/or omissions of any of the above entities and/or individuals not directly under their supervision or control. Please be advised that the liability of carriers as well as providers of hotel and lodging accommodations is limited by law, and Travelers may thus wish to consider purchasing a Travel Protection plan and/or additional insurance to protect themselves against any losses or injuries suffered as a result of their acts and/or omissions. In no event shall CTC's liability exceed the amounts paid by the Traveler for participation in the tour, and subject to the provisions and cancellation fees as set forth in this brochure. In the event the tour leader and/or spiritual director named in a brochure or itinerary does not travel with the group and a substitute is not named therein, CTC reserves the right to make substitutions of its choosing for such person(s). CTC is not responsible for any misquotes contained in this brochure or other accompanying documentations, and the contents therein may be changed at any time without notice and at CTC's sole discretion.

GROUP COORDINATOR/SPIRITUAL LEADER: The group coordinator and/or spiritual leader is not an employee, agent, or contractor of CTC. Statements made by group coordinator and/or spiritual leader are not binding on CTC, and we will not be liable for their actions, words or promises.

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CANCELLATION BY THE SUPPLIER: CTC will inform you as soon as reasonably possible if a supplier needs to cancel. CTC will also liaise between you and the supplier in relation to any alternative arrangements offered by the supplier, but CTC will have no further liability to you.

CANCELLATION BY CTC: CTC reserves the right to cancel any tour if the minimum number of travelers is not met. In such event, CTC shall refund all amounts paid by Traveler.

CANCELLATION BEYOND CTC'S CONTROL: CTC disclaims any responsibility for any losses or expenses incurred due to cancellation or alteration of the tour resulting from, but not limited to: travel advisories or warnings issued by the State Department or any other relevant authority, acts of war, terrorism, acts of God, natural disasters, pandemic, or any other circumstance beyond CTC's control. In such case, CTC will assist Travelers in requesting refunds for all land and air services not received by the Traveler, less a non-refundable operational fee of \$500 per person, that covers all trip planning and refund processing. CTC shall not be responsible for any non-recoverable amounts disbursed to service providers on a Traveler's behalf. Suppliers may choose to provide a travel voucher or credit in lieu of refund. CTC is not responsible for a supplier's failure to pay a refund or for supplier bankruptcy or insolvency.

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TERMS & CONDITIONS CHANGES: Changes in any of the Terms & Conditions can be made only in writing signed by an officer of CTC.

FOR CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS ONLY: Upon cancellation of the transportation or travel services, where the passenger is not at fault and has not canceled in violation of any terms and conditions previously clearly and conspicuously disclosed and agreed to by the passenger, all sums paid to CTC for services not provided will be promptly paid to the passenger, unless the passenger advises the CTC in writing, after cancellation. This provision does not apply where CTC has remitted the payment to another registered wholesale seller of travel or a carrier, without obtaining a refund, and where the wholesaler or provider defaults in providing the agreed-upon transportation or service. In this situation, CTC must provide the passenger with a written statement accompanied by bank records establishing the disbursement of the payment, and if disbursed to a wholesale seller of travel, proof of current registration of that wholesaler.



AN AUTUMN PILGRIMAGE TO SICILY

November 3 to 15, 2024 • Tour #: 24-064-1103 • Group Name: HAWLEY

****If any section below is left blank, your registration form will not be processed and you will not be confirmed on this pilgrimage****

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Please print in **BLOCK LETTERS** your complete Last Name, First Name and Middle Name **as they appear on your PASSPORT:**

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

How would you like your first name to appear on your nametag?

Email *(Forms submitted without email address cannot be processed)*

Date of Birth

Gender

Street Address

Apt

City

State

Zip

Home Tel

Mobile Tel

2. PASSPORT INFORMATION

Will you hold a U.S. Passport at the time of travel? (Yes / No)

If "no," what nationality?

You must select one of the two choices below:

- I have enclosed a copy of the photo page of my passport showing my name, passport number and expiration date.
- I understand I must submit a copy of the photo page of my passport 120 days or more prior to departure.

Note: Catholic Travel Centre is not liable for passports expiring within 180 days of the return date of the pilgrimage.

3. ROOMING INFORMATION

You must select one of the three choices below:

- I wish to room with: (enter name)

- Please try to find a roommate for me. I understand if you cannot find a roommate for me, I will be obliged to pay the single room supplement.
- I wish a single room at a supplement of \$895. A limited number of single rooms are available at this price.

4. PAYMENT INFORMATION

Registration Deposit: \$1,000 by May 15, 2024

Final Payment: by July 5, 2024

You must select one of the four choices below:

DISCOUNT PRICE

\$1,000 deposit & balance paid by check or money order.
Make check payable to Catholic Travel Centre.

- FULL PACKAGE:** \$5,999 from Washington Dulles (IAD) plus tips of \$225 for total tour cost of **\$6,224.**
- LAND ONLY PACKAGE:** \$4,999, plus tips of \$225 for total tour cost of **\$5,224.** I agree to meet the group at the first night's hotel.

STANDARD PRICE

\$1,000 deposit and payment by credit or debit card.
Please fill in your credit /debit card information below.

- FULL PACKAGE:** \$6,358 from Washington Dulles (IAD) plus tips of \$225 for total tour cost of **\$6,583.**
- LAND ONLY PACKAGE:** \$5,358, plus tips of \$225 for total tour cost of **\$5,583.** I agree to meet the group at the first night's hotel.

CREDIT / DEBIT CARD PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION

I authorize Catholic Travel Centre to charge the Standard Price amount to my credit or debit card (\$1,000 will be charged now; balance of payment will be charged to my card per the invoice due date).

I agree to the terms and conditions and cancellation terms attached here.

VISA

MASTERCARD

Card Number

Exp. Date

Name as it appears on credit card

Signature

Date

Office Use Only:

Please complete one registration form per person (couples, submit two separate forms).

If any section above is left blank, your registration form will not be processed and you will not be confirmed on this pilgrimage.

Enclosed please find my \$1,000 per person deposit for the above referenced trip. By submitting this payment, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to the "Terms and Conditions" in the accompanying brochure, including information related to pricing and cancellations.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please mail this form with your deposit payable to Catholic Travel Centre to:

4444 W. Riverside Drive, Suite 301, Burbank, CA 91505

Further information and invoice will be sent within two weeks of receipt of your registration and deposit.