



Pellegrinaggio Agostiniano in Italia

Villanova University

29 February – 9 March, 2008

Friday 29 February - Andiamo (Off we go!)

US AIRWAYS #716 - PHILADELPHIA 5:50 pm - MILAN 7:45 am (1 March)

Saturday 1 March - Arrival in Milan

After we clear customs a bus will pick us up and take us to our lodgings.

- **LA VILLA CIARDI (via como, 23 23890 Barzago (LC))**
Tel: 011 39 031 86 0076 or 011 39 031 86 17 60
Fax: 011 39 031 86 1512
www.lavillaciardi.com

We will have lunch at Villa Ciardi.

3:00 PM

- Travel to Cassago Brianza (reputed site of Cassiciacum, some 21 miles (35 kilometers) northeast of Milano in the foothills of the Alps)
- Eucharistic Liturgy in the Parish Church
- Speakers on the excavations of Roman Antiquity
- Meeting in the Augustinian Center at Cassago Brianza.

7:00 PM

- Pizza Festa in Cassago Brianza

Sunday 2 March - Milan (*continued*)

7:00 AM

- Colazione (Breakfast)

7:30 AM

- Bus leaves for Milan

8:45 AM

- Visit *Il Cenacolo* (DaVinci's *Last Supper*)

11:00 AM

- Visit the Church of Saint Ambrose (Chiesa di Sant Ambrogio) Bishop of Milan.

Sunday 2 March - Milan *(continued)*

12:00 PM

- The Church of Saint Mark (San Marco) where the remains of Lanfranc, the first prior general of the Augustinian Order are venerated.

12:30 PM

- Cathedral of Milan for Mass and visit of the Ancient Baptistery where Augustine was baptized by Ambrose.

2:00 PM

- Free time (tempo libero) in Milano

5:00 PM

- Return by Bus to Casago Brianza

6:00 PM

- Cena (dinner) in Casago Brianza

9:00 PM

- Return to lodgings at Villa Ciardi

Monday 3 March - Pavia and San Gimignano

7:00 AM

- Colazione

8:00 AM

- Bus leaves for Pavia. There we will see the Augustinian Convento and the Chiesa where the bones of St. Augustine are venerated.

10:00 AM

- Eucharistic Celebration at the Shrine to St. Augustine

11:15 AM

- Travel by bus to San Gimignano (about 4-5 hours)
Pick up lunch on the way.

5:00 PM

- Arrival in San Gimignano
CONVENTO DI SANT' AGOSTINO
Piazza S. Agostino, 10 San Gimignano
Tel: 011 39 0577 907012
Fax: 011 39 0577 940383

7:30 PM

- Orientation to Tuscany and San Gimignano
by Fr. Brian Lowery, OSA and Fr. Ian Wilson, OSA
- Cena in the refectory of Convento
- Tempo libero to enjoy San Gimignano

Tuesday 4 March

7:00 AM

- Morning Prayer with Augustinian Community (optional)

7:30 AM

- Colazione

Tuesday 4 March - San Gimignano and Lecce *(continued)*

9:00 AM

- Bus leaves to visit Rosia, the ruins of an ancient Augustinian foundation.
- Visit to Lecce, site of a revered Augustinian Convento. Currently the location of a community of Augustinian cloistered nuns.

12:15 PM

- Mid-day prayer with the Augustinian Nuns followed by Pranzo (lunch)

2:30 PM

- Return trip to San Gimignano

3:15 PM

- Group photo on the Tower at the Convento Sant' Agostino

7:30 PM

- Cena on your own and tempo libero in San Gimignano

Wednesday 5 March - San Gimignano *(continued)*

7:30 AM

- Colazione

8:30 AM

- Lecture on the Gozzoli Frescoes in the Church

10:00 AM

- Group reflection and prayer service

12:30 PM

- Pranzo at Convento

2:00 PM

- Tempo Libero - afternoon and evening on your own

Thursday 6 March - Rome

7:00 AM

- Colazione

8:30 AM

- Reflection

10:30 AM

- Leave for Rome (Pick up pranzo en route.)

3:00 PM

- Welcome to Rome (Benvenuti a Roma)
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Piazza S. Maria alle Fornaci, 27 00165 Roma
Tel: 011 39 06 39367632
Fax: 011 39 06 39366795
www.trinitaridematha.it

7:00 PM

- Visit with the Augustinians at St. Monica College (Collegio Santa Monica)

8:00 PM

- Cena at local restaurant (pre-ordered menu)

Friday 7 March - Rome *(continued)*

- 7:15 AM
 - Colazione
- 8:15 AM
 - Mass in St. Peter's Basilica
- 9:30 AM
 - Tour of Basilica
- 10:30 AM
 - Tempo libero and pranzo on your own
- 1:00 PM
 - SCAVI tour (tour of excavations under St. Peter's Basilica)
- 3:30 PM
 - Walking tour and visit of Augustinian Churches in Rome with tempo libero for cena and evening stroll back to Vatican area.

Saturday 8 March - Ostia Antica, Genazzano and Rome *(continued)*

- 7:30 AM
 - Colazione
- 8:30 AM
 - Bus leaves for Ostia Antica
- 10:00 AM
 - Visit to the Augustinian Chiesa di Santa Monica at Ostia
- 11:00 AM
 - Guided Augustinian tour of Ostia Antica with special emphasis on Augustine's remembrance of Ostia as recorded in *Confessions*
- 1:00 PM
 - Pranzo on your own in museum café at Ostia
- 2:30 PM
 - Travel by bus to the Alban Hills, south of Rome, to Genazzano, site of the Shrine of Our Mother of Good Counsel and the resting place of Blessed Stephen Belessini, OSA.
- 3:30 PM
 - Eucharistic Celebration and Tour of Shrine
- 6:30 PM
 - Cena in Genazzano
- 8:30 PM
 - Return to Rome

Sunday 9 March - Philadelphia

- 7:00 AM
 - Colazione
- 7:30 AM
 - Bus leaves for airport
US AIRWAYS #719 - ROME 10:30 AM - PHILADELPHIA 3:30 PM.
Arrivederci Roma!