

St. Joseph Parish

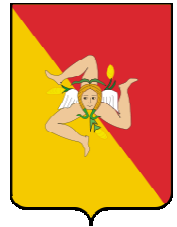


Invites you on a
Pauline Year Pilgrimage to

Malta

Including full day excursions to Gozo & Sicily

Spiritual Director: Fr. Anthony Camilleri



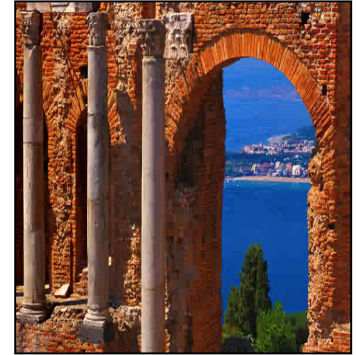
St. Mary's Church, Malta



Malta



Sicily



Sicily

Your 8 Day Tour Includes:

- Roundtrip airfare from Detroit to Malta on scheduled Commercial Airline
- Six (6) nights accommodations at 4 star superior hotel in St. Julian's Bay with the convenience of no packing and unpacking for the duration of your trip
- Four (4) Continental breakfasts
- Two (2) dinners: Welcome Dinner and special Farewell Dinner
- Two (2) Lunches, including a buffet lunch on the Fernandes cruise
- Luxury motor coach for airport transfers in Malta and for specified sightseeing
- Maltese guides for local sightseeing
- Arrangements of daily Masses (all locations are tentative and subject to confirmation)
- Hotel taxes and portage for 1 piece of luggage
- **SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS:** *Malta:* Gozo, St. Paul's Catacombs, Blue Grotto, Limestone Heritage Tour, Fernandes Cruise. *Sicily:* Mt. Etna, Siracusa, Taormina & Catania

**Prices reflect an Early Booking Savings of \$100 per person for deposits received before July 15, 2008 and a \$65 discount for those paying the total cost of the tour by cash or check.*

Early Booking Special:
\$3,299*

*Per person; double occupancy. This does not include air taxes, fees and fuel surcharges estimated at \$350 per person



April 22 – April 29, 2009

Dear Pilgrim Friends:

I extend this invitation to my brothers and sisters in Christ at St. Joseph Parish, Lake Orion, and to all members of the Body of Christ in Detroit, to journey with me to Malta in the "Footprints of St. Paul." Our pilgrimage will lead us to the holy sites of Malta, Gozo, and Sicily. We will go back in time and visit Malta's catacombs and ancient heritage, experience the beauty of its breathtaking Mediterranean scenery, savor delicious Maltese pastizzi and breathe in the salty air as we cruise along the Grand Harbor, where the Turks once unsuccessfully staged the Great Siege of Malta.

Please join me in a spirit of pilgrimage during the Pauline Year to my homeland, April 22-May 1, 2009.

I remain yours In Christ,

Fr. Anthony Camilleri

Malta Itinerary*

Day 1: Wednesday, April 22, 2009

Flight to Malta

Overnight flight Detroit to Malta, the island of sunshine and history, on scheduled airline.

Day 2: Thursday, April 23, 2009

Arrival Malta / Valletta / St. Julian's Bay

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Arrive in Malta for transfer by private motor coach for a guided tour of Valetta, the city built by the Knights of St. John, a masterpiece of the baroque, a European art city, and a World Heritage city. See the beautiful Upper Barracka Gardens with breathtaking views of the Grand Harbor. Free time for lunch before entering into the "Malta Experience," a multi-vision show detailing the history of Malta. Afterward, visit St. John's Co-Cathedral and see Caravaggio's masterpiece, "The Beheading of St. John," which hangs on the Oratorio. **Celebrate Mass this afternoon at St. John's Co-Cathedral.** Then, round off the day with a tour of the Malta National War Museum. (Itinerary subject to flight arrival and availability.) Welcome Dinner and overnight in St. Julian's Bay.

Day 3: Friday, April 24, 2009

Sliema / Gozo / St. Julian's Bay

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Today, a full day tour of the sister island of Gozo, nicknamed the *Isle of Calypso*, where one comes to relax and enjoy the essence of life which is more rural and simple because its culture and way of life is rooted in fishing and agriculture. Tour of Victoria, the capital, which has a traditional open-air market; narrow, winding lanes leading from the piazza, shops selling traditional Gozitan crafts such as lace and thick woolen rugs and, of course, stalls dripping with souvenirs. **Celebrate Mass at the miraculous site of the Basilica of Our Lady of Assumption Ta' Pinu.** Free time for lunch. After, tour of the island including, the Azure Window which was created by waves and rough seas breaking on the rocks over a period of thousands of years; the idyllic landlocked Bay of Xlendi and its glorious blue green waters; the Fontana Craft Center; and the Ggantija Temples, most impressive monuments of European prehistory due to their originality, complexity and striking massive proportions, and because of the considerable technical skill required in their construction. Transfer to St. Julian's Bay for dinner on your own and overnight.

Day 4: Saturday, April 25, 2009

Sliema / Mdina / Rabat / Cottonera / St. Julian's Bay

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This morning, visit St. Paul's Catacombs before carrying on to Cottonera, on the main harbor, where the battle between the Knights and the Turks took place in 1565. Cottonera is composed of the three adjacent cities of **Cospicua** (aka Bormla), **Vittoriosa** (aka Birgu) and **Senglea** (aka L'Isla), collectively also known as the **Three Cities**. This entire area was devastated by Nazi bombers during WWII. Stop for lunch before departing for a tour of the ancient village of Rabat, which means "suburb" in old Arabic, since Rabat lies just outside the citadel of Mdina. According to legend, Saint Paul lived here after being shipwrecked on his way to being put on trial in Rome. Pope John Paul II visited this place of pilgrimage in 1990. Next, continue on to Mdina, also known as the *Silent City*, an impressive fortified medieval city perched on a hill where enchanting streets and alleys await and amazing architecture and panoramas greet your eyes. Enroute, stop at Ta' Qali Crafts Village where local artisans create all kinds of beautiful artifacts, from blown glass to Maltese lace, pottery, and intricate filigree jewelry. **Celebrate Mass at St. Paul's Church in Mdina**, which was built in 1572. After, return to St. Julian's Bay for dinner on your own and overnight.

Day 5: Sunday, April 26, 2009

Sliema / Blue Grotto / Ghar Dalam / St. Julian's Bay

(CB)

Celebrate Mass at St. Patrick's in Sliema before departure for a half-day tour of the *Blue Grotto*, the most famous cave in Malta, with its deep waters displaying magnificent dazzling colors, ranging from turquoise to deep blue. **Optional Boat Tour of the Blue Grotto** for those who are interested. Then, on to Marsaxlokk Market, located in the fishing village of Marsaxlokk considered the most picturesque seaside locality in Malta. Continue on to Limestone Heritage Tour, the latest, most exciting and original attraction designed to give a thorough insight into the past and present treasures of these islands. See how the inhabitants of these islands have consistently exploited their meager natural resources to carve out a remarkable social and cultural heritage throughout the ages. Afternoon free to shop for souvenirs, visit the many beautiful churches, or enjoy some delicious *pastizzi* in the square. Overnight St. Julian's Bay.

Day 6: Monday, April 27, 2009

Malta / Sicily / Malta

Very early departure for the docks and our excursion to the neighboring island of Sicily. Arrival in Sicily at the port of Pozzallo, a typical Sicilian fishing village, gradually regaining its role as the main port of the province of Ragusa. Board an air-conditioned luxury coach, accompanied by guide, for a tour of this enchantingly beautiful island. Stop for coffee and fresh pastries for Breakfast (*not included in price*). Next, departure for Taormina, which dominates two grand, sweeping bays. Enroute, pass NOTO, the baroque capital of Sicily; SIRACUSA, with its world-renowned Greek and Roman monuments, and CATANIA, the upcoming commercial city. Free time in Taormina center to enjoy the unique panoramic views overlooking Giardini Naxos, a former Greek colony, now an international yachting centre. Time for lunch on your own. Then, drive to MOUNT ETNA, Europe's highest active volcano, offering a breathtaking view of over almost 100 miles of Mediterranean Sea. Go up to the SYLVESTER CRATERS where a panoramic view of this vast base of ETNA and the effects of the most recent eruptions may be viewed. Free time for some souvenir shopping. Dinner on your own. Depart for our return journey to Pozzallo across the Iblei mountain range and over two of the most spectacular bridges in Europe, with a bird's eye view of the Baroque city of MODICA, a gem of baroque architecture. Dinner on your own. Late evening departure by high-speed catamaran for Malta. Overnight St. Julian's Bay.

Day 7: Tuesday, April 28, 2009

Fernandes Cruise / St. Julian's Bay

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This morning, **celebrate Mass at Gesu Nazzarenu Church.** After, off to the *Fernandes*, a beautiful 87-foot Schooner Rigged Turkish Gullet with a large forward deck, covered stern deck and a large saloon, which will sail from the Sliema Marina and cruise north- westward towards Gozo. Drop anchor in secluded bay in Gozo. En-route one sees the panoramic cliffs, coves and inlets. The rest of the morning is spent swimming, snorkeling or just sunbathing and relaxing on the large decks, while our stewards prepare a delicious Buffet Lunch. After lunch we sail towards Comino, where we drop anchor in the beautiful Blue Lagoon and spend the rest of the afternoon swimming in the magical crystal clear water of the lagoon. Fresh fruit is served before we leave the Blue Lagoon. *Masks and snorkels are available on board free of charge.* Return to port late afternoon. Tonight, festive Farewell Dinner with entertainment. Overnight St. Julian's Bay.

Day 8: Wednesday, April 29, 2009 Departure

Say "Sahha" to Malta and depart for your transatlantic flight back to the USA

**Itinerary is tentative and subject to final confirmations*

• Per person; double occupancy. **Price reflects an Early Booking Savings of \$100 per person for deposits received before July 15, 2008. Price reflects a \$65 discount for those paying the total cost of the tour by cash or check.**

Please see TERMS & CONDITIONS for additional applicable pricing specifications. Rates based on April 2008 exchange rate. Exchange rates, taxes, tariffs and fuel surcharges are subject to change prior to tour departure.

**Early Booking
Special:
\$3,299***

The tour does not include:

- Air taxes, government fees and fuel surcharges estimated at \$350 per person
- Meals not specifically identified
- Gratuities payable to guides and drivers and local service personnel
- Other personal expenses

Reservation Form

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April 22 – May 1, 2009

Please fill out one reservation form per person. Photo copies of form are permitted.

Name _____

(As it appears on your passport) If Under 18: Age _____ (see back)

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code: _____ Home Phone (____) _____

Other Phone (____) _____ Email address _____

(Roommate) _____

____ I would like land only; I will be responsible for my own air and will sign a Land Only Waiver

____ I would like a roommate; please put me in touch with other passengers looking for a roommate

____ I prefer a single room and will pay an additional \$400, which is due with my balance

Preferred Name for Name Badge _____ (Your Name)

Preferred Name for Name Badge _____ (Roommate)

Payment Schedule: Deposit \$350 to book. \$1,250 additional due November 23, 2008. Balance due on January 22, 2009.

Note: \$3,299 price reflects a cash discount of \$65 for tours paid by entirely by cash or check. \$3,299 price also reflects an Early Booking Savings of \$100 per person for deposits received on or before July 15, 2008.

Cancellation Policy: All cancellations must be received in writing. There will be a \$100 per person cancellation penalty assessed from the time of deposit to November 23, 2008. Forfeit \$350 from November 23, 2008 to January 12, 2009. Forfeit \$1,600 for cancellations received from January 12, 2009 to February 6, 2009. After February 6, 2009, there is no refund.

Penalties will be according to the fax or postmark.

Make check payable to Corporate Travel Service or use Credit Card. Visa or MasterCard (circle one)

Name as it appears on Card _____ Amount \$ _____

Card Number _____ Security code (back of card) _____ Expiration _____

Card Billing Address _____

I have received, read and agree to the TERMS & CONDITIONS on the backside of this form and the Liability clause and payment terms outlined on this side of the form. I also understand that Corporate Travel Service highly recommends the purchase of travel insurance and that the cancellation terms and penalties cannot be waived for any reason. If I decline to purchase travel insurance, I understand that there is no monetary recourse for any flight cancellations or delays by the airlines and I agree to the cancellation terms and penalties:

Signature _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian if Under 18 _____

Liability: In making arrangements for accommodations, meals, transportation, transfers, excursions, sightseeing and other services included in the tour, Corporate Travel Service, Inc., is acting only as an agent for the following suppliers of travel services, i.e. all airlines, all hotels, all ground handlers, all transfer companies, all restaurants, all sightseeing attractions, all entertainment, all bus companies, all museums and all cruise lines and is not liable for any accident, injury, damage, loss, illicit act, delay or other irregularity which may be caused by the defect of any vehicle or the negligence or default of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger or carrying out the arrangements of this tour. Should Fr. Camilleri be unable to participate in this event, every effort will be made to secure a substitute. Regardless of Fr. Camilleri's participation, the tour will proceed as scheduled on that date. By signing this form to participate in this tour, you agree that the terms of the cancellation penalty will be binding upon you regardless of whether Fr. Camilleri is able to participate. Corporate Travel Service will not be responsible for any loss incurred by traveller, including lost days of the scheduled tour, due to a cancelled flight or other means and modes of transportation. Please investigate purchasing travel insurance as recommended, to cover any type of loss associated with cancelled air or other transportation.

**CANCELLATION INSURANCE IS
HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**

***For optimum insurance coverage, purchase travel insurance within 14 days of deposit.
Call Travel Guard at
800-549-9037 & give them
Corporate Travel's Agent ID: 23611545***

**Please mail payments to:
Corporate Travel Service, Inc., 23420 Ford Rd., Dearborn Heights, MI 48127
Phone: 313-565-8888 x 121 Fax: 313-565-3621
Website: www.ctscentral.net**

TERMS & CONDITIONS

PAYMENT: In order to meet deposit schedules with suppliers for this tour, Corporate Travel Service asks for prompt payment on the requested dates. Please see the reservation form for the payment schedule. The advertised price is based on 26 passengers, tariffs, exchange rates, air line fuel surcharges and taxes in effect when the tour was organized and are subject to increase before tour departure. Price of the tour may have to be adjusted before final payment to reflect any increase in tariffs, fluctuation in exchange rates and/or fuel surcharges.

Corporate Travel Service accepts cash, check, money orders and Visa and MasterCard for payment. In order to qualify for the advertised price, traveler must pay entire tour (deposit and final payment) by cash or check. The discount for payment by cash or check will be made after final payments are received.

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STATE DEPARTMENT & OTHER AGENCIES: From time to time the State Department (www.state.gov) and the Center for Disease Control (www.cdc.gov) and other government agencies and departments issue travel advisories or warnings for one or more of the destinations that you may be visiting on tour. We encourage you to contact these agencies directly to obtain the most current information. Corporate Travel Service cannot change the cancellation terms or conditions based on the issuance of any such warning or advisory or the occurrence of any terror, health or other incident in one or more of the places this tour is scheduled to visit. All cancellation penalties must remain in full force and effect as outlined on the reservation form.

CANCELLATION INSURANCE: Corporate Travel Service HIGHLY RECOMMENDS the purchase of travel insurance. In order to receive the optimum insurance coverage, purchase travel insurance within 14 days of deposit. Call Travel Guard at 800-549-9037 & give them Corporate Travel's Agent ID: 23611545

ROOMS: Tour prices are per person according to a room type: a "Single" room is one person in a room and a "Double" is two persons in one room. "Triple" rooms are discouraged because of cramped quarters. Triples are one double bed with two persons sharing the bed and one single bed. Triples are not always available.

CHECKED LUGGAGE: Checked baggage is limited to one bag per person. There can be no exceptions. For most airlines, the one checked bag is limited to **50 pounds and 62 inches** (length + width + height). If these specifications are exceeded, excess charges may be collected by the airline at the airport. Do not lock baggage you intend to check in at the airport. Please confirm these specifications when you receive your final travel documents, as they can and do change.

CARRY ON LUGGAGE: You may also bring a small carry-on bag that will fit under an airline seat and on the small parcel racks of the motor coach, which average about 8 inches high by 18 inches deep. It is best if your carry-on bag is soft sided, as the parcel racks on the motor coaches are small. Currently, travellers are allowed to transport only small amounts of liquids, gels, lotions, aerosols or similar items on their person or in their carry-on luggage. Details will be in your final travel documents.

GRATUITIES: Unless otherwise noted as included, gratuities for your escort, driver and guides are not included. In Malta it is customary to tip the escort (3) Euros and the driver two (2) Euros per person per day. The tip for the local guides is usually about one (1) Euro for half-day tours and two (2) Euros for full day tours.

PASSPORT: A valid U.S. Passport is required of all passengers. Please apply for your passport immediately as passports are taking a long time to process. Make sure to have it in your possession at all times while on tour. **It must be valid for 6 months following the return date of the trip or boarding may be denied or entry into the destination may be forbidden. Please provide Corporate Travel Service with a copy of the inside page of your passport (showing your name and photo) at the time of reservation.** A colour copy is preferred.

GROUP AIR: Due to the airlines' reduced capacity and restrictive group reservation terms, group air reservations are often difficult to coordinate. The number of connections, length of layovers, and all conditions surrounding air travel cannot be guaranteed and may change before departure. Accordingly, if you require specific air travel needs and are not flexible concerning group air travel, **you may wish to consider purchasing a Land-Only package** and secure your own preferred air arrangements. In this case, you must notify Corporate Travel Service no less than 120 days before departure, be responsible for meeting the group at a specified location and time on the tour, and sign a Corporate Travel Service Land Only Waiver. Land only passengers are responsible for arranging and the cost of transfers to and from the airport. Corporate Travel Service will not be responsible for any loss incurred by traveller due to a cancelled flight or other means of transportation. Please investigate purchasing travel insurance to cover any type of loss associated with cancelled air or other transportation. **Seat Requests:** Corporate Travel Service will request specific seating, but there is no guarantee that the airline will honour our request.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: Unless otherwise notified, Corporate Travel Service will mail to you or your group leader a more detailed itinerary and General Information Sheet approximately 2 weeks to 10 days before departure.

ITINERARY: The Itinerary as presented in this brochure is tentative and represents what we are planning for you, however it is subject to confirmations from many organizations. Because of changes in local schedules, we may need to alter specified events, dates and/or venues to better fit the overall plan.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS: Travellers must be medically and physically fit for this tour. Most tours require significant walking, as motor coaches are not permitted to pick up and drop off in front of major attractions. Should any special assistance be required, traveller agrees to bring a companion capable and willing to assist traveller.

CHILDREN UNDER 18: For a minor under the age of 18 to travel out of the United States without both parents or legal guardians, a notarised affidavit must be obtained and presented to immigration official upon departure and return to the United States. You may request a form from our office.



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