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# PILGRIMAGES

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**Servant of God, Luisa Piccarreta**

## **Pilgrimage "ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN"**

**International Divine Will Conference Commemorating the  
80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Servant of God, Luisa Piccarreta's  
Entrance into Heaven.**

**February 28 – March 12, 2027**

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## **PALERMO**

**\$4475 USD per person (double occupancy)  
+ \$1125 USD (Single occupancy)  
Land Only.**

**\$1,075 USD non-refundable deposit  
is required to secure your place.**

**RESERVE NOW**

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for the payment plan.**

# Pilgrimage “ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN”



## Pilgrimage Prayer

Jesus, in Your Most Holy Divine Will, we offer You this pilgrimage and the International Divine Will Conference celebrating the 80th Anniversary of the Entrance into Heaven of the Servant of God, Luisa Piccarreta.

May every step we take, every prayer we offer, every Holy Mass we attend, and every soul we encounter become one continuous act in Your Eternal Fiat.

Through the maternal guidance of the Queen of Heaven and Earth, prepare our hearts to receive the Gift of Living in Your Divine Will ever more deeply. Unite us as one family in Your Kingdom, strengthen our love for the Church, and make us faithful witnesses of Your prayer: “On earth as it is in Heaven.”

May this pilgrimage renew our Fiat, transform our lives, and hasten the coming of Your Kingdom in every heart.

Jesus, we trust in You.

Fiat! Amen.

## ***Day 1 – Sunday, February 28***

### **Arrival in Italy • Rome (FCO) to Bari (BRI)**

Pilgrims will arrive independently at Rome Leonardo da Vinci International Airport (FCO) and board flight to the Bari Karol Wojtyła International Airport (BRI).

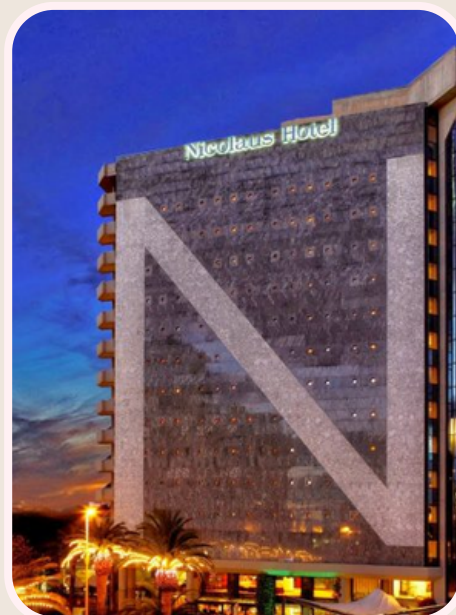
Upon arrival at Bari Karol Wojtyła International Airport (BRI), a private hotel shuttle will transfer the group to the Nicolaus Hotel. After check-in, enjoy time to rest, and refresh.



## ***Days 2,3,4 Monday- Wednesday, March 1-3***

The International Divine Will Conference registration begins at 9:00 AM with distribution of translation equipment and pilgrimage materials. The International Divine Will Conference begins at 3 PM.

Join pilgrims from around the world for Holy Mass, prayer, spiritual conferences, and Christian fellowship as together we deepen our understanding of the Gift of Living in the Divine Will.



**The Nicolaus Hotel**



**Conference Ballroom**

## ***Day 5 – Thursday, March 4***

Today we begin our pilgrimage through the sacred places most intimately connected with the life of the Servant of God, Luisa Piccarreta's birthplace, family home, and the museum that now serves as the headquarters of the Luisa Piccarreta Association. Visit the Convent of the Daughters of Divine Zeal, founded by St. Hannibal di Francia, where she lived for ten years; the Church of Santa Maria Greca, Luisa's parish and resting place; and the Church of Santa Maria, where she was baptized.



**Servant of God, Luisa Piccarreta**

## ***Day 6 – Friday, March 5***

Our pilgrimage continues to Alberobello, where even the simplicity of its ancient stone dwellings invites us to contemplate the beauty of God's providence throughout history. Enjoy a walk through the Rione Monti district, lively and colorful, and Aia Piccola, an authentic residential neighborhood where time seems to have stood still. Every symbol painted on the rooftops tells a story, and each trullo is unique.



**Alberobello**

After lunch, we will arrive at Piazza della Libertà, Ostuni's main square, dominated by the statue of St. Oronzo, then continue up to the magnificent Cathedral of Santa Maria Assunta, a masterpiece of Gothic-Romanesque architecture, renowned for its richly decorated façade and beautiful rose window.



**Ostuni White City**



### **The Chapel of the Holy Martyrs**

*“Standing before the relics of the Holy Martyrs, we ask for the courage to remain faithful in every trial, surrendering our own will so that only the Divine Will may reign within us.”*

## ***Day 7 – Saturday, March 6***

After breakfast at the hotel, we depart to the city of Otranto, known as the “Gateway to the East.”

We will visit the Cathedral of Santa Maria Annunziata, commonly called the Cathedral of the Holy Martyrs, because it houses the relics of the 800 Christian Martyrs who, in 1480, during the Turkish invasion, were brutally killed for refusing to renounce their Christian faith.

Antonio Primaldo and his companions were beatified in 1771 and canonized by Pope Francis in St. Peter’s Square on May 12, 2013. This is a place of profound religious significance.

Highlights include the magnificent cathedral façade and the enormous mosaic floor depicting the Tree of Life.



**Cathedral of Santa Maria Annunziata**



**Lecce**

### ***Day 8 – Sunday, March 7***

Guided tour of the city of Lecce, known as the “Florence of the South,” famous for its Baroque art and architecture, which flourished between the late 16th and early 17th centuries.

Among its many treasures are the richly decorated Basilica of Santa Croce, Palazzo dei Celestini, the Cathedral of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Duomo), the Church of San Matteo, and Piazza Sant’Oronzo.

Every church, every stone, and every work of sacred beauty proclaims the glory of God. May the beauty surrounding us awaken within us an even greater desire to become living temples of the Divine Will.



## **Matera**

***“As we descend into these ancient dwellings that recall the world of Sacred Scripture, may we become humble little houses of Nazareth where the Divine Will dwells for all eternity.”***

### ***Day 8 – Sunday, March 7***

Departure from Lecce to Matera, internationally renowned for its Sassi, a unique city and treasure of thousands of years of history. Today we step into one of the world’s oldest continuously inhabited cities, where history, Scripture, and faith seem to come alive.

The Sassi are original prehistoric cave dwellings (troglodyte settlements) and are believed to be among the earliest human settlements in Italy. They are homes carved into the rock, characteristic of the regions of Basilicata and Puglia. Many of these “houses” are actually simple caves.

One of the unique features of this ancient city is its resemblance to the ancient towns surrounding Jerusalem.

Matera is also recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

## ***Day 9 – Monday, March 8***

As we journey toward Sicily, we entrust every mile to Jesus, allowing each moment of silence, fellowship, and prayer to become one continuous act in His Divine Will.

Our journey is to Reggio Calabria, situated in the heart of the Mediterranean, this beautiful city has long been a crossroads of civilizations.

Its famous Italo Falcomatà Seafront Promenade has been called “the most beautiful kilometer in Italy.”



**Reggio Calabria**

## ***Day 10 – Tuesday, March 9***

We will depart for the island of Sicily, crossing the Strait of Messina by ferry from Villa San Giovanni. Upon arrival, we will begin a guided tour of the city of Messina. We will visit the Cathedral and admire the magnificent Golden Manta (Mantle) of Our Lady of the Letter, the patroness of the people of Messina.

*(Before our Lady of the Letter, renew our consecration to our Heavenly Mother, asking her to form within us the perfect Fiat she lived throughout her early life.)*

Among the sacred treasures, we will also see the reliquary of the Sacred Hair of the Blessed Virgin Mary, precious votive offerings donated to Our Lady of Grace, and the chalice presented to the city of Messina by Pope St. John Paul II.

A highlight not to be missed is the Cathedral Bell Tower, one of the largest and most unique in the world. We will then walk to the Monastery of Montevergine, where the incorrupt body of St. Eustochia, a 15th-century saint from Messina, is preserved.

## ***Day 10– Tuesday, March 9***

We will visit the tomb of Saint Annibale Maria Di Francia who is preserved in the crypt of the sanctuary. He was beatified on October 7, 1990, and canonized in Rome by Pope St. John Paul II on May 16, 2004, in St. Peter's Square. We are celebrating the 100th anniversary of his entering into Heaven.



**San Aníbal María Di Francia**

***“Before the tomb of Saint Annibale Maria di Francia, we thank God for the priest chosen to recognize, protect, and spread the writings of Servant of God, Luisa Piccarreta. May his Zeal for souls inflame our own hearts with love for the Kingdom of the Divine Will.”***

## ***Day 11– Wednesday, March 10***

### **Cefalù – Palermo**

We will travel to Cefalù, one of the oldest medieval villages in Sicily.

We will walk along Corso Ruggero, the town's main street, leading to the Town Hall Square, where the magnificent Cathedral (Duomo) stands. Behind it, rising high above the town, is La Rocca.



**Cefalu**

## ***Day 12– Thursday, March 11***

### **Monreale – Palermo**

The undisputed symbol of the city is the Cathedral of Santa Maria Nuova. Since 2015, it has been recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site as part of the Arab-Norman Palermo itinerary.

Upon entering the cathedral, visitors are immediately captivated by the breathtaking expanse of its golden mosaics. The central apse is dominated by the majestic image of Christ Pantocrator, whose radiant presence and penetrating gaze leave a lasting impression.



**Christ Pantokrator of Cefalu**

***“Standing before Christ Pantokrator, may we surrender every thought, every desire and every heartbeat to His Sovereign Reign so that His Divine Will may become our life.”***

## ***Day 13– Friday, March 12***

**After breakfast at the hotel, transfer to Palermo Falcone–Borsellino Airport at Punta Raisi. Transfer to Palermo Airport for departure or continuation to the Optional Rome Extension. Final departure details will be provided during the pilgrimage.**

**“As our pilgrimage comes to its earthly conclusion, may the true pilgrimage continue within us as we return home carrying the Kingdom of the Divine Will into our families, parishes, and daily lives.”**



**Optional Rome Extension  
March 12-15, 2027**

**Information will be available soon!**

# **IMPORTANT – RESERVE NOW!**

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to review the payment plan.**

**Embark on an unforgettable spiritual pilgrimage through Southern Italy and Sicily, guided by Fr. Bernardo Acuña, Alejandra Acuña, Mary Zirkle and a guest priest. Throughout our journey, we will reflect on the Gift of Living in the Divine Will as we visit sacred sites rich in the history and spirituality of the Church.**

**Pilgrims will also have the unique opportunity to participate in the Four-Day International Divine Will Conference in Bari, Italy hosted by the Association Luisa Piccarreta - Little Children of the Divine Will, commemorating the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Entrance into Heaven of the Servant of God, Luisa Piccarreta.**

**All Fiat Pilgrimages are fully bilingual (English and Spanish). Every pilgrimage, every prayer, and every activity is carried out in the love of the Divine Will, for the Glory of the Most Holy Trinity, and for the coming of the Kingdom of the Divine Will “On Earth as it is in Heaven.” FIAT!**

# TRAVEL PLANS

The 2027 Fiat Pilgrimage is a land-only pilgrimage. **Each pilgrim is responsible for purchasing his or her own airline tickets** to and from Italy. If you have questions while making your flight arrangements, we are happy to assist you.

## Arrival in Italy – Three Options

**Pilgrims have three options for arriving in Bari, Italy. Please choose the option that best fits your travel plans.**

### Option 1: Join the Group in Rome

If you would like to travel together with the group from Rome to Bari, please follow the instructions below.

#### Arrival in Rome – February 28, 2027

Please plan to arrive at Rome Leonardo da Vinci International Airport (FCO) on Sunday, February 28, 2027. **All participating pilgrims must be gathered outside Customs no later than 10:30 AM. Please plan to arrive, allowing sufficient time to clear passport control, collect luggage, and meet the group.**

Alejandra Acuña and Mary Zirkle will personally welcome pilgrims outside the Customs exit doors in Terminal 3.

At 10:30 AM, we will walk together from Terminal 3 to Terminal 1 to check in for the flight to Bari.

### Flight to Bari

**ITA Airways – Flight AZ 1613**

- **Departure: 1:25 PM**
- **From: Rome Leonardo da Vinci International Airport (FCO)**
- **Arrival in Bari: 2:35 PM**
- **To: Bari Karol Wojtyła International Airport (BRI)**
- **Flight Time: Approximately 1 hour 10 minutes**

## Option 2: Travel Directly to Bari (Independent Arrival)

If you prefer to travel on your own schedule, you may fly directly into Bari. In this case, you will **meet the group** upon arrival in Bari **at The Nicolaus Hotel,**

**Via Cardinale A. Ciasca, 27 Bari 70124 IT Tel.877-220-4176. Possible Hotel Shuttle Available.**

Please plan to **arrive at:**

**Bari Karol Wojtyła International Airport (BRI)**

## Option 3:

**If you would like to fly to Bari from Rome with us but your international flight arrives too late to meet us outside of the Customs doors at Terminal 3**

- Arrive in Rome on February 27 and stay overnight at a hotel near the airport so you can join the group the following morning on February 28, 2027.
- Travel independently to Bari, Italy, and meet the group at the Nicolaus Hotel.

The International Divine Will Conference officially begins at 3 PM on March 1, 2027, at the Nicolaus Hotel in Bari.

## Return Flight Information

**The pilgrimage concludes in Palermo, Sicily.**

Pilgrims Returning Home

**If your pilgrimage ends at Palermo** (Not staying for the Rome Extension) please book your international return flight from:

**Palermo International Airport (PMO) on March 12, 2027. Most overseas flights from Palermo will have a connection in Rome.**

## Optional Rome Extension (March 12–15, 2027) More information soon!

Pilgrims participating in the optional 3-Day Rome Extension should book a one-way flight from Palermo (PMO) to Rome (FCO) on March 12, 2027.

Our recommended flight is:

Ryanair

- Departure: 7:20 AM
- Palermo (PMO) → Rome (FCO)

# ***Divine Will “ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN” Pilgrimage***

## ***February 28 - March 12, 2027***

### ***Includes:***

- February 28, 2027 meals on your own
- March 1, 2027 The Nicolaus Hotel continental breakfast included. Lunch and Dinner on your own
- March 2, 2027 The Nicolaus Hotel continental breakfast and lunch included. Dinner on your own.
- March 3, 2027 The Nicolaus Hotel continental breakfast and lunch included. Dinner on your own.
- March 4, 2027 The Nicolaus Hotel continental breakfast and lunch included. Dinner on your own.
- Transportation to Corato from Bari Nicolaus Hotel.
  
- March 5-11, 2027 Breakfast and Dinner included.
- March 12, 2027 Breakfast included.
- Luxury coach transportation for the entire journey, February 05 - March 12, 2027
- 4-star hotel accommodations, double occupancy
- It is suggested that you purchase your own insurance with the limits and coverage you desire.
- Licensed tour guides at designated sites.
- Headsets with live translation for clarity and comfort.
- Entrance fees to all listed attractions.
- Daily Holy Mass in meaningful and historic locations.
- Divine Will reflections and meditations throughout the pilgrimage.

## ***Payment Methods Accepted***

- Zelle
- Check

Master Card, Visa, Discover

- Credit Card (A service fee of 2.9% applies)

American Express

- Additional service fees apply.
- Fees will be reviewed with the bank on a case-by-case basis.

## ***TERMS AND CONDITIONS***

### **1. Registration and Payment**

- **Deposit:** A \$1075.00 non-refundable deposit is required to confirm your registration.
- **Payment Schedule:** A payment plan will be outlined at the time of booking.

### **2. Land-Only Package**

- This package includes only land arrangements (accommodation, ground transportation, meals as specified, and tour services).
- Participants are responsible for booking their own flights to and from Italy.
- **Flight Cancellations/Delays:** FIAT Pilgrimages and Travel is not responsible for any flight cancellations, delays, missed connections, or additional costs incurred as a result.

### **3. Hotel Accommodations**

- Hotel accommodations are subject to substitution with comparable hotels of equal quality should circumstances require.
- Any changes will aim to provide accommodations of equivalent quality to those originally planned

# ***TERMS AND CONDITIONS***

## **1. Cancellation Policy**

- **Participant Cancellations:** Written notice of cancellation is required. Refunds (excluding the nonrefundable deposit) will follow this schedule:

- Up to and including 130 days before departure: Refund of amounts paid, minus deposit and non-recoverable expenses.

- 129 to 89 days before departure: 50% refund of amounts paid.

- 88 days or less before departure: No refund.

- **Replacement Process:** • If a participant needs to cancel, FIAT Pilgrimages and Travel will make an effort to find a replacement participant, either from an existing waitlist or by securing a new registrant. However, this effort cannot be guaranteed. • If a replacement is successfully found, the following steps will apply:

**2. Original Participant:** The canceling participant will remain responsible for their financial obligations until a replacement is confirmed.

**3. Replacement Participant:** The replacement participant will be responsible for paying the the trip cost. FIAT Pilgrimages and Travel will coordinate directly with the replacement participant to finalize their registration.

**4. Funds Transfer:** Once the replacement participant's payment is confirmed, FIAT Pilgrimages and Travel will assist in facilitating the transfer of funds between the replacement participant and the canceling participant to facilitate a refund. Any administrative fees or nonrecoverable expenses will be deducted from the refunded amount.

**5. Organizer Cancellations:** In the event that the pilgrimage is canceled due to unforeseen circumstances (e.g., natural disasters, travel restrictions, or other unforeseen major events), refunds will be provided to the extent possible, minus any non-recoverable expenses

# ***TERMS AND CONDITIONS***

## **5. Liability Waiver**

- By registering for this pilgrimage, participants acknowledge the inherent risks involved in international travel and voluntarily assume all risks, including but not limited to illness, injury, property loss, or delays.
- FIAT Pilgrimages and Travel and its affiliates are not liable for any losses, injuries, or additional expenses incurred as a result of delays, cancellations, natural disasters, political events, or actions of third-party service providers (e.g., hotels, transport, or guides)

## **6. Health and Fitness:**

- This pilgrimage involves walking on uneven terrain and extended periods of standing. Participants must be in reasonably good health to participate.

## **7. Disclosure of Conditions:**

- Any medical conditions, mobility limitations, or dietary restrictions must be disclosed at the time of registration. Special accommodations are not guaranteed and are subject to availability.

## **8. Changes to the Itinerary:**

- FIAT Pilgrimages and Travel has the full discretion to make changes to the itinerary subject to changes due to weather conditions, availability, and other unforeseen circumstances.
- Adjustments may also be made to ensure the safety and well-being of the group.
- Significant changes will be communicated as promptly as possible.

# ***TERMS AND CONDITIONS***

## **9. Code of Conduct:**

- Participants are expected to act respectfully and adhere to all instructions from pilgrimage leaders and local authorities. Failure to comply may result in removal from the pilgrimage, without refund.

## **10. Photography and Media:**

- By participating in the pilgrimage, you grant FIAT Pilgrimages and Travel permission to use photos and videos taken during the trip for promotional purposes. If you do not wish to appear in such media, notify FIAT Pilgrimages and Travel in writing before the trip.

## **11. Personal Responsibility:**

- Participants are responsible for:
  1. Securing a valid passport (with at least six months of validity beyond the return date).
  2. Acquiring any necessary visas or travel documents.
  3. Arriving at the meeting point on time for group activities

## **12. Limitation of Liability:**

- FIAT Pilgrimages and Travel acts only as an intermediary between participants and service providers (hotels, transportation companies, guides, etc.).
- FIAT Pilgrimages and Travel and its agents cannot be held responsible for acts of God, delays, cancellations, or any actions by third-party providers.

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