



## **Assisi Spiritual Immersion Experience 2018 Itinerary and Daily Schedule**

**Saturday, September 1** (or before) Depart US

**Sunday, September 2** morning arrivals in Rome

12:00 p.m. Bus transfer from FCO to Hotel Umbra, settle in

5:00 p.m. welcome, orientation, brief walk around town

7:00 p.m. welcome dinner at Gli Orti INCLUDED IN FEE

**Monday, September 3** **Francis and Clare: The Early Years**  
***The Tenderness of God chapter 2***

8:00 Breakfast at Hotel Umbra

9:00 The social geography of Assisi:  
Piazza del Comune and Francis' birth home (Chiesa Nuova)  
Clare's birth home and San Rufino

12:00 Depart for Perugia

12:30 Lunch in Perugia

2:00 Umbrian gallery of art

4:30 Francis and Clare's experience of war: an underground walk

5:30 Return to Assisi

6:00 Free Time

7:30 p.m. dinner (I Monaci) INCLUDED IN FEE

**Tuesday, September 4** **Seeds of Change**  
***The Tenderness of God chapter 3***

8:00 Breakfast at Hotel Umbra

9:00 Steps of Francis' Conversion: 1) Maddalena church (site of former leper colony)  
2) San Damiano

12:00 Lunch break

2:00 Steps of Francis' Conversion 3) Bishop's Palace (Francis' public renunciation)

3:00 Basilica of San Francesco

4:30 Free Time

7:00 p.m. dinner on your own

**Wednesday, September 5    Early Franciscan life: Rivo Torto and the Carceri**  
***The Tenderness of God* chapter 4**

8:00    Breakfast at Hotel Umbra  
9:00    Rivo Torto  
10:00    The Carceri  
12:00    Lunch break  
1:00    Free Time  
7:00    Dinner on your own

**Thursday, September 6    Clare Completes the Picture and Preserves the Vision**  
***The Tenderness of God*, chapter 5**

8:00    Breakfast at Hotel Umbra  
9:00    Leave for San Damiano  
12:00    Lunch  
2:00    visit Basilica of Santa Chiara  
3:00    Depart for La Verna  
4:00    Initial orientation at Sanctuary of La Verna  
5:00    Free Time  
8:00    Dinner at Albergo La Verna INCLUDED IN FEE

**Friday, September 7 Absorbing the Lessons**

8:00    Breakfast at Albergo La Verna  
9:00    Free Time; hiking, visits to sanctuary, possible lunch at La Melosa  
6:30    group conversation: Albergo La Verna  
8:00    dinner at Albergo La Verna INCLUDED IN FEE

**Saturday, September 8    Considering the Legacy of Francis and Clare Today**  
***The Tenderness of God*, chapter 6**

8:00    breakfast at Albergo La Verna  
9:00    Group Conversation  
10:00    Free Time  
12:00    Return to Assisi  
1:00    Final Free Time in Assisi  
7:30    Final banquet

**Sunday, September 9    Depart Assisi**

6:00 am bus to FCO