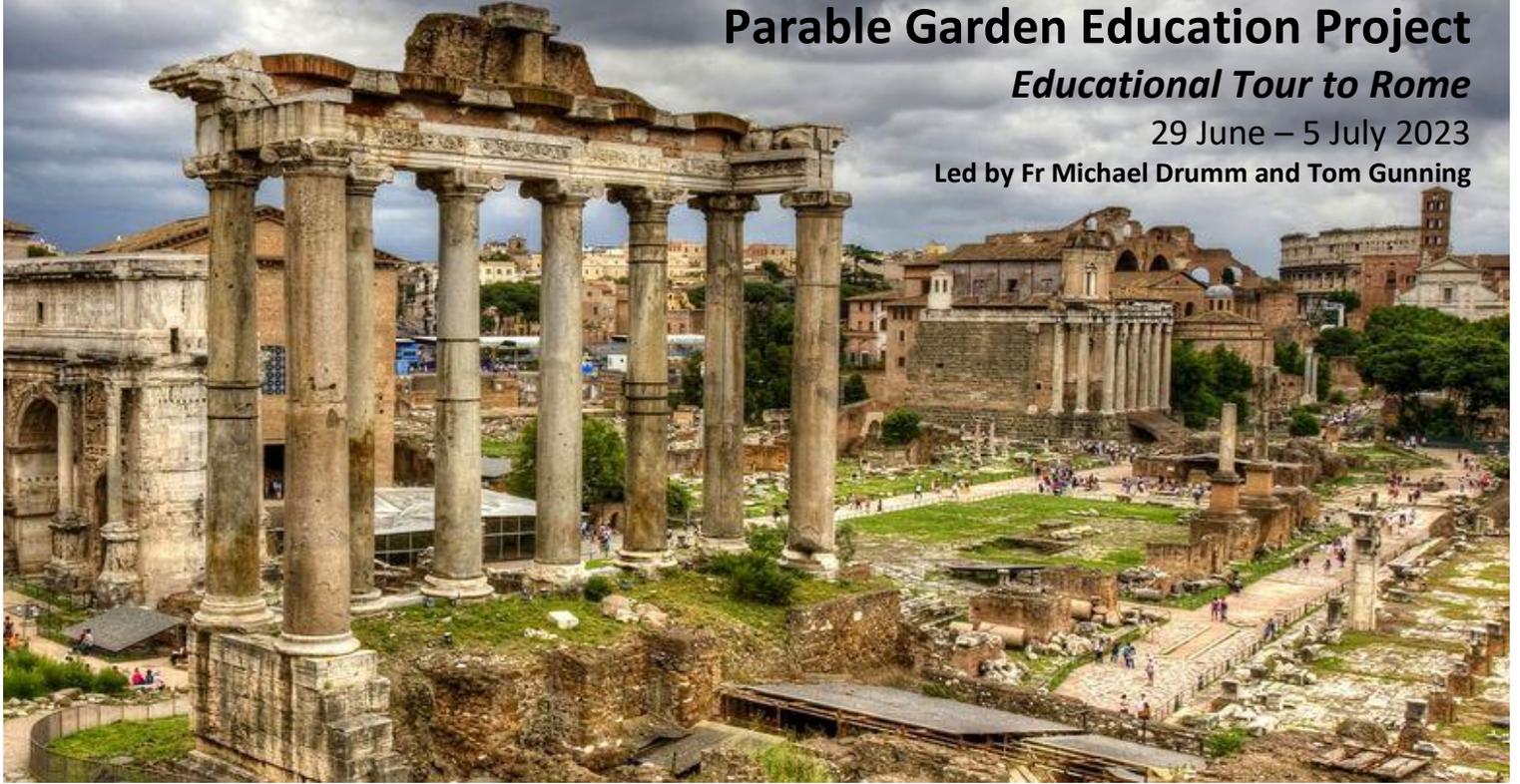


# Parable Garden Education Project

## Educational Tour to Rome

29 June – 5 July 2023

Led by Fr Michael Drumm and Tom Gunning



*The Parable Garden Education Project is committed to drawing from the wellsprings of religious, spiritual, intellectual and artistic traditions in forging a more humane future for our world. As part of our many initiatives we are organising an educational tour to Rome in July 2023. Our aim is that you will have a very enjoyable week and go home much better informed about a place that has largely created the political, religious, architectural, artistic and legal worlds in which we live. We will have detailed visits to some of the key sites in the history of Rome and of Christianity. And, having stimulated your imagination, we hope to encourage you to read and want more. Please bring this invitation to the attention of anyone you think might be interested.*

**June 29<sup>th</sup> – July 5<sup>th</sup> 2023**

**€960 p.p.s.**

- Staying 6 nights in a three-star hotel on a bed and breakfast basis.
- Airport transfers
- Coach to Catacombs
- St Peter's and Vatican City

- Palatine and Roman Forum
- Trevi fountain
- Pantheon and Piazza Navona
- Colosseum
- Angelus with Pope Francis

BOOKING CONTACT:

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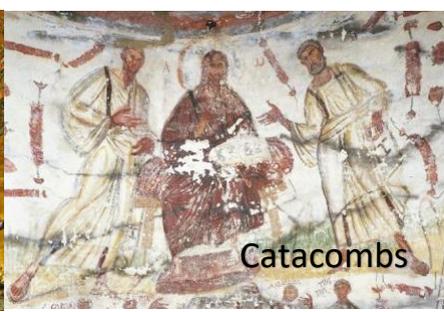
Email: [info@myriam.ie](mailto:info@myriam.ie)

### HOW TO BOOK:

We can take your booking over the phone by debit card. (€300 non-refundable deposit, plus single room supplement and insurance premium if applicable). Alternatively, you can pay by cheque or direct bank transfer. Please call or email us for more information.



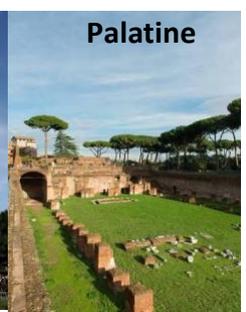
St Mary Major



Catacombs



Colosseum



Palatine



## TRIP TO ROME, June 29<sup>th</sup> - July 5<sup>th</sup> 2023

INCLUDED IN THE PRICE OF €960 p.p.s.

- Return flight (Dub-Rome-Dub) with Aer Lingus
- 6 nights in a three-star hotel, B and B
- Coach transfers to and from the airport
- Coach to the catacombs
- Guided tours of all places visited
- Entrance fees to catacombs, San Clemente, Vatican Necropolis (Scavi), Colosseum, Palatine and Roman Forum

- 10kg checked-in luggage (a backpack that fits under the seat can also be taken on board)
- All taxes (governmental and local)

### EXTRA COSTS

- Single room supplement of €40 per night
- Travel insurance
- 20 kg suitcase (optional - €85)
- Entrance fees to Capitoline Museums (€16)



### Day One, Thursday

### Arrival

Check-in at Dublin Airport by 12.35pm. Our Aer Lingus flight departs for Rome at 3.35pm. On arrival you will be taken by coach to our three-star hotel in the city centre. Check-in, after which people are free to go out for dinner.

### Day Two, Friday

### Ancient Rome

After breakfast, visit the Palatine Hill, the place where Rome is believed to have been founded and which became the location of the residence of the emperors. This morning's programme will also include the Roman Forum, the political and religious centre of the empire, and the Circus Maximus (ancient chariot racecourse). Free time for lunch. Afternoon visit to the Arch of Constantine and the Colosseum. This amphitheatre was completed in the year 80 AD and is considered the symbol of Rome. Free evening.



### Day Three, Saturday

### Early Christian Rome

Visit the ancient Basilica of San Clemente and the excavations underneath, which include an earlier church and a pagan temple. Tour of St John Lateran Basilica, the Cathedral of Rome. This was the first church built in the city after the period of persecutions. Free time for lunch. After lunch, our coach will pick us up for a visit to one of the catacombs. These ancient burial grounds with beautiful frescos contain the oldest Christian art. Mass. Rest of the evening free.



### Day Four, Sunday

### Rome, Ancient and Modern

Morning walk to Piazza Venezia, Trevi Fountain, Spanish Steps, Pantheon and Piazza Navona returning to St Peter's for Angelus with Pope Francis. Free time for lunch. Afternoon walk to significant churches in central Rome with emphasis on different artistic styles.

### Day Five, Monday

### The Vatican

Early morning Mass in St Peter's, followed by a visit to the Basilica, including some of the principal points of interest such as the *Pietà* of Michelangelo and the tombs of St Peter, Leo the Great and John Paul II. Return to the hotel. Free time for lunch and a rest. In the afternoon there will be a visit to the Scavi (archaeological excavations underneath St Peter's).

### Day Six, Tuesday

### Free day with several optional tours

Options today will include visits to St Mary Major's, Dome of St Peter's and, at additional cost, the Capitoline Museum.



### Day Seven, Wednesday

### Departure

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for 11.10am flight which lands in Dublin at 1.30pm.

*The itinerary is a sample and may be modified in the best interest of the group*