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**Join Fr. Vincent Chirichella and Deacon Michael Chirichella  
on a Special Anniversary Pilgrimage to Medjugorje  
and Pilgrimage Sites in Montenegro and Croatia**

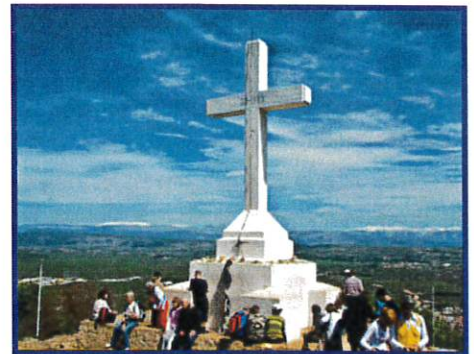
**June 22 - July 1, 2026**



Church of St. James, Medjugorje



Mostar Bridge, Mostar



Cross Mountain, Medjugorje



Beach, Dubrovnik



Old City and Fortress, Dubrovnik



Our Lady of the Rocks Perast, Montenegro

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**June 23** Upon arrival, we transfer through the Croatian and Bosnia Herzegovinian countryside to Medjugorje and settle into our hotel before our welcome dinner

**June 24** We start at the Blue Cross and base of Apparition Hill where Mary introduced herself to the six visionaries as the "Queen of Peace" in 1981. This is also where Mary revealed herself to the children while they sought refuge. Those who wish to do so will ascend the hill and pray at the cross and statue of Mary marking the apparition site. We will also see St. James church, the Queen of Peace statue and altar and the statue of the Risen Savior. Late afternoon, we visit the Cenacolo Community. The community is committed to guiding youth in overcoming addiction and discovering a sense of purpose through spirituality and communal support. We will listen to inspiring stories from participants sharing their paths to recovery through faith. After dinner, we partake in the 44th anniversary vigil devotions

**June 25** Today will partake in the festivities of the 44th anniversary of the first apparition. In addition to Mass, there will be several events commemorating the anniversary with some of the visionaries and other local villagers

**June 26** Our morning begins with a climb up Cross Mountain, where local villagers erected a large cross in 1934 as a symbol of faith and devotion. During the climb, we reflect on the Stations of the Cross, pausing at each station of bronze reliefs. At the summit, we have time for prayer in front of the cross. After descending the mountain, we visit the Franciscan Monastery of St. Anthony of Padua located near Medjugorje and home base for the Franciscans who have ministered at St. James Church. During a panoramic tour of Mostar, we will stop at the Ottoman-built 16th century "Mostar Bridge" and enjoy lunch at Kravica Waterfall

**June 27** We will enjoy free time in Medjugorje in between the English morning Mass and Croatian rosary at 5 p.m. During this time, we will break into smaller groups for those who want to climb and spend more time in contemplation on Apparition Hill or Cross Mountain or any of the other holy grounds we visit during our orientation tour. There will also be opportunities for

reconciliation and attendance at English language seminars held at various times each day. Mid-afternoon there will be an optional excursion for a wine tasting at the Andrija Winery

**June 28** We depart Bosnia for Montenegro where we will pay homage at "Our Lady of the Rocks," located on one of two artificial islets off the coast in the Bay of Kotor. By tradition, local seaman created the islet over the centuries from following an ancient oath. The oath, associated with finding the icon of Madonna and Child on a rock, required the seaman to lay a rock in the bay after each successful voyage. Over time, the islet gradually emerged. The custom of throwing rocks remains to this day. The church itself was built in the 15th century and renovated in the early 18th century following major damage an earthquake inflicted

**June 29** We make our way to the beautiful port city of Dubrovnik where we will enjoy a panoramic tour of the old city and fortress. We will stop at Pile Gate along Stradun, the bustling main thoroughfare that flows through the city's core. We will see the famed Onofrio's Fountain and the exterior of the Franciscan Church and Monastery, home to one of Europe's oldest continuously operating pharmacies, established in 1317. We will also stop at the Church of St. Blaise, devoted to Dubrovnik's patron saint to take in its Baroque edifice showcasing a statue of St. Blaise clutching a likeness of the city. From there, we will proceed to Sponza Palace, an historic now serving as the repository for Dubrovnik's archives, safeguarding important historical documents. We will see the historic Jesuit Steps and façade of the Dubrovnik Cathedral, dedicated to the Assumption of the Virgin Mary before wrapping up our tour at the charming Old City Harbor. We will enjoy the local cuisine for dinner before checking in to our hotel

**June 30** Today we will enjoy a free day in Dubrovnik. There will be options to spend time at one of Dubrovnik's beautiful beaches, explore the old city on our own or a combination of the two

**July 1** Filled with grace and gratitude, we depart Dubrovnik for our return flight to Newark or airport of choice

**All inclusive price: \$4399, double occupancy; \$1050, single supplement**

### Price includes:

- \* 5 nights in Medjugorje
- \* 1 night in Montenegro
- \* 2 nights in Dubrovnik
- \* Non-stop, R/T Flights Newark - Dubrovnik
- \* Transfers and sightseeing by Private Motor Coach
- \* Boat to our Lady of the Rocks Island
- \* Local Guides
- \* Breakfast & dinner daily with glass of wine
- \* Masses with Spiritual Directors
- \* Healing Mass with Father Vincent & Deacon Michael

### Not Included:

- Lunches
- Travel Insurance
- Any personal expenses, passport, visa etc.
- Services not mentioned under inclusive
- Gratuities for driver, guides and wait staff
- City taxes, where applicable
- Connecting flights from other cities (call for quotes)