

Our Roman Roots: Early Christian Rome and WYD Sydney

Pope Benedict XVI has extended his invitation for the youth of the world to gather in Sydney Australia for World Youth Day 2008. Catholic young people will meet from July 15-20, 2008 to learn about their faith tradition, to develop skills for living their faith in the modern world, to pray with one another for peace and reconciliation, and dedicate their energies to the construction of a more just and more fraternal society.

One of the most powerful and moving aspects of WYD is young people meeting others of different cultures, languages and regions of the world, encouraging growth and transformation. This cross-cultural experience inspires young people to become citizens of the world in recognition they are part of a global faith community. Illume experts collaborate with pastoral leaders in fostering faith and encouraging young people to live compassionate and respectful lives as witnesses of God's love.

Our Roman Roots Program Highlights

We journey to WYD 2008 as Roman Catholics with an inherited faith tradition forged by visionary men and women of early Christian Rome. Walking in the very footsteps of these early Christians inspires participants to bring that faith perspective with them onto Sydney and WYD activities. This is a unique opportunity to augment participation in WYD with an exploration of the roots of our Catholic faith. Our program includes:

- Flight arrangements from USA to Rome, Rome to Sydney and Sydney to USA.
- Airport transfers in Rome
- Hotel accommodations in Rome for 4 nights
- 8 meals (4 buffet breakfasts and 4 dinners) at hotel
- Guided visit of the catacombs, St. Paul Outside the Walls, the Colosseum and Roman Forum, St. Peter's Basilica, Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel & Mass at historical venue in Rome
- Day excursion to Assisi
- + all inclusive features of our Power of the Holy Spirit Program in Sydney (see separate concept piece)

All illume WYD Programs Include: access to an electronic web-based travel resource center designed exclusively for your participants, designated WYD program manager in the USA, and one free-of-charge for every ten paid participants.

Program prices begin at \$4895 per participant.

Program Enhancing Options for Power of the Holy Spirit Program in Sydney

Illume invites you to consider enhancing the investment made in the faith-formation, transformation and cross-cultural experience of young adults. Through travel to Sydney, participants will gain an appreciation of Australia's history and the unique resources and perspectives of its peoples and land. These options include:

- Guided visits to historical and cultural sites in Sydney
- Excursions to nearby National Parks and heritage sites
- Hotel and meal upgrades
- Touring extensions before or after the WYD Program

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Illume brings people to experience important places around the world where significant change in human history inspires significant transformation in the individuals and groups that we guide. Illume experts offer travel experiences that foster global community, cultural respect, stewardship of world heritage and inspire respectful and compassionate ways of life. We delight in the idea that we are all citizens of the world. We invite you to join our global community of family and friends and experience the difference travel can make in transforming your perspective.