

# THE 2019 CAMINO PILGRIMAGE

**Saturday 4 May – Saturday 25 May 2019**

**Rome • Assisi • Barcelona • Montserrat • Camino Pilgrimage • Santiago • Madrid • Toledo**

**W**e will walk the final 110kms journey from Sarria to Santiago de Compostela and arrive on Sunday 19th May 2019, to join with fellow pilgrims and celebrate Eucharist in the Cathedral of St James. On Tuesday we will travel (on bus!) to Finisterre to make the journey complete, as James did.

Free time to explore in Rome, Assisi, Barcelona, Montserrat, Madrid and Toledo. Plan to join us for a reasonably priced experience in Christian pilgrimage, as we experience some of the most treasured places of our heritage and story.

*"The Camino Tour was a fantastic experience which I would strongly recommend to anyone. The history and amazing sites that Rome offered was fabulous.*

*The Camino itself offered a new experience everyday, with time to simply stop and take in magnificent scenery. Madrid was a great way to wrap up the tour*

*with the immersion into yet another diverse culture. We were blessed with the tour organisers, Paul & Marina, who took control of all the organisation, including outstanding tour guides along the way.*

*A memorable experience!"*

**Kristy Isbester** St Pius X Catholic Primary School, Dubbo NSW

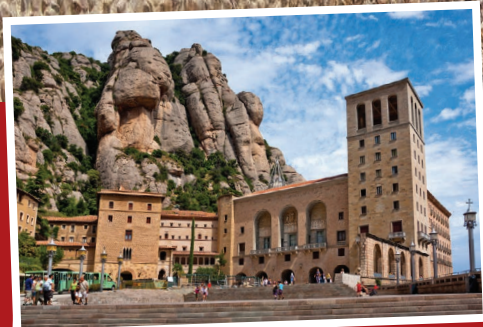
*"Were not our hearts burning within us while he walked and talked with us on the road". Luke 24:32*

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Pilgrimage is an experience common to all religions and cultures. In it, what is proper to human nature finds expression. The world does not constrain the human person, but rather like a waymark, opens it to transcendence, to God. Humankind has always known that the world is not its final destination, that here we are always travellers...

*"Leave your country, your people, and the home of your parents, and go to a place which I will show you".*

*(Genesis 12: 1)*

Christians enact the pilgrimage of faith. The Church defines itself in this world as the pilgrim Church, in search of the heavenly homeland. The profound meaning of pilgrimage for Christians can thus be understood. We do not go in search of the divine to some far off or unknown source, but rather return to the depths of our own faith, find the experience of the truth in our own lives,

renew our own existence, while reaffirming the need and the possibility of forgiveness, of the compassionate embrace, of the grace of the jubilee.

*As Jesus was walking along the Sea of Galilee, he watched two brothers – Simon, who was called Peter, and Andrew – casting a net into the sea. They fished by trade. Jesus said to them, "Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of humankind." They immediately abandoned their nets and began to follow Jesus. He went along further and caught sight of a second pair of brothers – James and John. They too were in their boat, mending their nets with their father. Jesus called them, and immediately they abandoned both boat and family and followed him.*

*(Matthew 4: 18-22)*

*"It is good to have an end to journey toward; but it is the journey that matters, in the end."*

*(Ernest Hemingway)*



## **Saturday 4 May 2019 Day 1**

Arrive Rome PM – Free time at leisure.

## **Sunday 5 May 2019 Day 2**

Rome – Free day at leisure and welcome dinner.

## **Monday 6 May 2019 Day 3**

AM – Rome – General Sightseeing & Cathedral Tour (St Mary Major's, St John Lateran & St Paul's Outside the Walls).

PM – combined tour Colosseum/Forum

## **Tuesday 7 May 2019 Day 4**

Assisi – Highlights of the life of Francis of Assisi (full day).

## **Wednesday 8 May 2019 Day 5**

Vatican City (full day)  
(Papal Audience in St Peter's Square, Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel, St Peter's Basilica).

## **Thursday 9 May 2019 Day 6**

Depart Rome for Barcelona – Free time at leisure.

**Camino Express Tour begins Barcelona**

## **Friday 10 May 2019 Day 7**

AM – Half day tour of Montserrat (lunch included).  
PM – Tour of Sagrada Familia

## **Saturday 11 May 2019 Day 8**

Depart Barcelona for Santiago de Compostela.  
Transfer to Sarria. Dinner at Hotel.

## **Sunday 12 May 2019 Day 9 (Commence Camino Walk)**

Day 1: Sarria to Ferreiros (15kms).

## **Monday 13 May 2019 Day 10**

Day 2: Ferreiros to Gonzar (16kms).

## **Tuesday 14 May 2019 Day 11**

Day 3: Gonzar to Palas de Rei (16kms).

## **Wednesday 15 May 2019 Day 12**

Day 4: Palas de Rei to Melide (15kms).

## **Thursday 16 May 2019 Day 13**

Day 5: Melide to Arzua (15kms).

## **Friday 17 May 2019 Day 14**

Day 6: Arzua to Salceda (11.3kms).

## **Saturday 18 May 2019 Day 15**

Day 7: Salceda to Lavacolla (18kms).

## **Sunday 19 May 2019 Day 16**

Day 8: Lavacolla to Santiago (10.3kms).

Arrive in time for midday Mass at the Cathedral of St James.

## **Monday 20 May 2019 Day 17**

Santiago – Free day to explore.

## **Tuesday 21 May 2019 Day 18**

Day coach trip to explore Fisterra - lunch incl.

## **Wednesday 22 May 2019 Day 19**

AM – Free morning to explore Santiago.

PM – Depart Santiago by train for Madrid.

## **Thursday 23 May 2019 Day 20**

AM Tour – Toledo.

Free afternoon at leisure in Madrid.

## **Friday 24 May 2019 Day 21**

AM – Sightseeing tour of Madrid - local lunch.

PM – Free leisure in Madrid.

Evening – Dinner & Flamenco Show.

## **Saturday 25 May 2019 Day 22**

Both tours end after breakfast.



## Pilgrim Leaders



### Jesse Manibusan:

Jesse, from California in the United States of America, is considered one of the most exceptional Catholic speakers, songwriters and musicians of our times. Jesse has a remarkable way of connecting with the gospel, challenging people and affirming our call as disciples who walk the journey with Christ together.



### Paul Skippen:

Paul has had many years in ministry in Catholic schools and parishes, is editor of the GPBS website and is a gifted presenter of staff inservice days, parish renewal events and retreats for all ages. Paul is an avid traveller and has experienced many of the world's Catholic spiritual heart-lands. Paul has led five annual pilgrimages walking the Camino.



*St Peter's Basilica, Vatican City*

## Included

- Fully escorted guided tour.
- Quality Accommodation throughout.
- English speaking tour guides for specified tours.
- Hot Buffet Breakfast at Hotels & breakfast daily on Camino.
- All internal flights.
- Transfers and sightseeing tours.
- Specified dinners & all nights on Camino.
- Daily luggage transfer on Camino.
- Private airport transfers.



*Paul & John Skippen, Camino Walk, 2013*

## Camino "Footprints the Journey in Between" Tour

- Twin share per person \$7720.00 as per itinerary from Day 1.
- Single supplement \$1700.00 (added to twin cost).
- Deposit of \$2000.00 per person to confirm booking.
- Balance due on or before 11th February 2019.



*Camino group 2016*

## Camino Express Tour (begin tour Day 6)

- Twin share per person \$5620.00 as per itinerary Day 6 to Day 22.
- Single supplement \$1400.00 (added to twin cost).
- Deposit of \$2000.00 per person to confirm booking.
- Balance due on or before 11th February 2019.



*The scallop shell (symbol of St James) on the Camino Walk*

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