

## Friends of JNF Canada – Pre Mission to Rome Itinerary

### **DAY 1 – Monday, May 25: Jewish Rome – Past and Present**

- Arrival in Rome, meet & greet, and transfer to the hotel
- Afternoon guided tour of the historic Jewish Quarter, including:
  - The Jewish Ghetto
  - Visit to the Great Synagogue of Rome
  - Jewish Museum of Rome
- In-depth overview of the Jewish community in Rome, from antiquity through the Middle Ages, the Ghetto period, and into modern times
- Evening kosher dinner at a restaurant in the Jewish Ghetto

### **DAY 2 – Tuesday, May 26: The Vatican and Classical Rome**

- Morning guided tour of the Vatican Museums, including:
  - Main galleries
  - Sistine Chapel
- Kosher lunch in the Jewish Ghetto
- Pre-arranged meeting (subject to availability) with one of the following:
  - Israeli Ambassador to Italy
  - Israeli Ambassador to the Vatican
  - Head of the Jewish Community of Rome
  - Chief Rabbi of Rome
- Free evening

### **Day 3: Wednesday, May 27: Castelli Romani**

- Morning session with Speaker
- Walking tour of Rome's iconic landmarks and squares:
  - Piazza Navona
  - Pantheon (external view)
  - Trevi Fountain
  - Selected Renaissance and Baroque areas
- Kosher lunch
- Free afternoon
- Optional add on: Tour of Jewish Catacombs: 80\$ per person

**Day 4: Thursday, May 28: Ancient Rome, Jewish Heritage**

- Morning tour of Ancient Rome, including:
  - Colosseum
  - Roman Forum
  - Arch of Titus
- Special focus on the Jewish historical context:
  - Destruction of the Second Temple
  - Exile
  - Commemoration in Roman art and architecture
- Kosher lunch in the Jewish Ghetto with Speaker
- Free evening

**Day 5: Friday, May 29: Departure**

- Early breakfast
- Check out & Departure to the airport