Rome Italy Temple Visitors Center

Memories2021-22



Notes on the origins of the Church in Italy

When the first missionaries entered Italy, from nearby Switzerland, it was January 1966.

The President of the Swiss Mission, Rendel Mabey, based in Zurich, 8032 Pilatusstrasse, had the Church's first Italian newsletter printed in Livorno entitled "Il Vincolo", or in English, "The Bond" or "The Covenant". The first missionaries were sent to the cities of Vincenza, Brescia, Pisa, Turin, Livorno, and Milan, all under the direction of the Swiss Mission.

In March the first Italian Branch of the Church was organized in Brescia, via Baracca n. 11, presided over by Leopoldo Larcher. In August Elder Ezra Taft Benson, of the Quorum of the 12 Apostles, dedicated Italy for the preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ and called Elder John Duns, Jr. as the first president of the Italian Mission.

By December 1966 the whole peninsula had 100 missionaries and as many members with a presence in 36 cities, including Naples, Taranto, Bari, Palermo, Syracuse, and Catania. Sunday meetings were held in the missionaries' homes and later in meetinghouses—the first being opened in Brescia, via Ducco, 42.

The first units of the Relief Society and Primary in Italy were organized in Palermo. In March of 1968 the first Italian magazine, "La Stella" ("The Star") was produced in Florence (printed in Germany). Two years after the opening of the Italian Mission there were 260 members representing 188 families.

Today in Italy there are 10 stakes with about 27,000 members. In March of 2019 President Russell M. Nelson dedicated the Rome Italy Temple, the first temple of the Church in Italy.

Apostle Lorenzo Snow, during his mission to Italy (1850-52), prophesied that one day Italy would blossom as a rose.

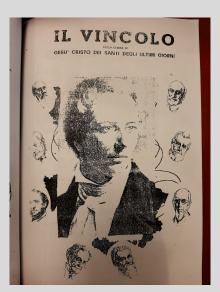
Rome, December 3, 2022

Elder Carmelo Persico

First missionaries in Italy-1966



First missionaries in Italy -1966







First missionaries in Italy-1966

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y, Utah.
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A farewell to
Elder and Sister
Euvrard at the
completion of their
service as the first
directors of the
Rome Italy Temple
Visitors Center
(2019-2020).



Anziano e Sorella Euvrard

Per essere stati i pionieri del Centro Visitatori del Tempio di Roma Per l'eccellente servizio che avete svolto Per la dedizione con cui ci avete istruito

Per l'esempio di fede, di sincera amicizia e di amore che ci avete donato Per tutto questo....

Un grazie dal profondo del cuore

Con affetto I missionari del Centro Visitatori



President and Sister Smith with Elder & Sister Euvrard and Elder & Sister Persico





VETRATA DEL CENTRO VISITATORI DEL TEMPIO DI ROMA (metri 6x2)



L'opera rappresenta diversi episodi del ministero terreno del Salvatore

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The Rome Italy Temple Visitors Center

The new Directors of the Visitors Center



Elder and Sister Persico

Welcome to the Rome Temple Visitors Center

We are pleased to offer you a special experience with our guides to admire Torveldsen's "Christus" with the 12 Apostles, a beautiful mural full of symbols of the gospel of Jesus Christ, and an artistic stained glass window depicting the mortal life of the Savior, inviting everyone to come to Him.

Schedule a virtual visit.



We were baptized in 1973. After our marriage in the Swiss Temple we served a one year mission as family history consultants for FamilySearch. But, it was our desire to serve a full-time senior mission as soon as possible.

In December 2020 we were, unexpectedly, called to serve a 2 year mission as the directors of the Rome Temple Visitors Center. On the day of our call we experienced feelings of inadequacy, but also gratitude and devotion to Heavenly Father.

We were aware of the trust He had placed in us to help His children feel His love and draw closer to His Son Jesus Christ.

It was also our desire that those who come to the Visitors Center might choose to accept the sweet and meek invitation of the Savior who says, "Come to Me".

We know that Heavenly Father and HIs Son Jesus Christ love us and that this is Their work.

Of this we testify in the sacred name of Jesus Christ, amen.

Visitors Center Committee

The Visitors Center Committee and service members provide an important role in planning and carrying out the activities of the Center.

Committee Members

Angelo e Rodica Aprea

Fernando e Michela Curci

Giorgio e Anna Dal Pozzo

Nino e Elisabetta De Robertis

Marco e Raffaella Ferrini

Sergio e Giusy Griffa

Ernesto ed Elita Nudo

Nicola e Maria Scarola

(videos & recordings)

(interviews, culture)

(events, culture)

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(technology, web)

(events, culture)

(art, Visitors Center website)

(music & concerts)

Service Members

Emanuele e Cristina Cascone

Nick Giangrosso

(Online publicity)

(Usher)



















During the Pandemic



The Rome Temple Visitors
Center offers guests, via a
multimedia connection, a
personal insight into the Savior
Jesus Christ through the works
of art present there. These works
show the symbols, miracles, and
parables that speak of Him as
written in the Holy Scriptures.

You can also admire the gardens of the temple site, as well as view a miniature model which shows the interior of the temple.

The languages available are: Italian, English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Romanian, Greek, and Albanian.







Get to Know the Visitors Center

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La casa tipica romana



Una casa modello del territorio romano è ricostruita proprio dentro il Centro Visitatori, testimonianza storica della società Romana con arredi e suppellettili.





Il nostro personale vi illustrerà le bellezze storiche e artistiche del CENTRO, sia personalmente che in 3 sale MULTIMEDIALI con 100 posti totali

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Centro Visitatori del Tempio di ROMA

Il luogo di ROMA dove la "Didattica" si coniuga con la "Bellezza"



Le statue di Thorvalsen e il suo Christus

In un'area ambientata nella campagna di Roma sono collocate le statue del "Christus" e dei 12 apostoli dello scultore danese Thorvalsen. Le statue, in marmo italiano di Carrara, sono copie eseguite con tecnologia "Digitale" e "Identiche" all'originale. Gli studenti potranno vedere anche il video che racconta tutte le fasi delle costruzioni, una esperienza didattica coinvolgente







Get to Know the Visitors Center



con un messaggio sulla Pasqua. dal 28 marzo al 4 aprile.



La vetrata

La vetrata è un'opera unica, coniuga la bellezza tipica del tradizionale vetro retro illuminato con le moderne tecnologie prodotte dal laboratorio d'arte "Holdman" che conferiscono la valenza pittorica quasi tridimensionale. Gli studenti oltre ad ammirare l'opera, che narra gli episodi centrali del ministero terreno del Cristo, potranno anche vedere il filmato della realizzazione pratica.

II Tempio

Costruzione con 2 guglie in marmo proveniente dalla Sardegna, fiancate e ingressi con grandi vetrate rievocano le basilche della prima cristianità.
La statua dell'angelo Moroni primeggia





Gli ulivi mediterranei e fiori del giardino

Ben 4 ulivi mediterranei con tutte le loro "Rughe secolari" e centinaia di piante di fiori, bellezza botanica incomparabile, sono posti nel giardino a testimonianza della loro preziosità floreale di cui l'Italia si pregia ed è grande produttrice



Centro di storia familiare

Gli studenti potranno vedere gli archivi di

FamilySearch

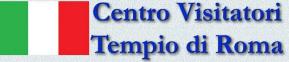
la più grande associazione mondiale di storia familiare. Tra le altre cose, grazie a Family Search è stato possibile ricostruire la famiglia del poeta italiano premio Nobel **Salvatore Quasimodo**. Gli studenti vivranno una emozione didattica profonda nel vedere gli archivi dei loro antenati, le loro "Radici".

Visitors Center Website

The website of the Visitors Center of the Rome Temple is born!
One of the most evocative places in the city where art, spirituality, and
events offer rare feelings of peace and beauty.

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WE ARE WAITING FOR YOU. THE SITE, INCLUDING THE GARDEN, IS OPEN EVERY DAY FROM 9.00 TO 21.00. FREE ENTRANCE AND PARKING



Un'altra "Perla di Bellezza" della Città ETERNA

> VI ASPETTIAMO. IL SITO COMPRESO I GIARDINI E' APERTO TUTTI I GIORNI DALLE ORE 09.00 ALLE 21.00 INGRESSO E PARCHEGGIO GRATIS















One of the blessings of serving at the Visitors Center is seeing the maturing of the magnificent garden on the piazza since the dedication in 2019. It was exquisitely designed with dozens of varieties of plants, trees, and shrubbery of every color. The caretakers are tireless in their efforts to keep the garden healthy and vibrant. It truly looks and feels like a Garden of Eden.

The beautiful fountain that flows from the doors of the temple to the feet of the Christus statue was meant to depict the vision of Ezekiel recorded in the Old Testament (Ezekiel 47). In that vision Ezekiel saw that as the water flowed, everything it touched came to life. That is evident on the piazza as we see the variety of flowers that blossom in their time throughout the spring and summer.























In addition to depicting Ezekiel's vision, there is further symbolism represented by the temple piazza fountain. The water pooled at the door of the temple can represent us stepping from the premortal presence of our Heavenly Parents into mortality.



As the water flows we can see that the bed of the fountain is bumpy and uneven. We know that life is often bumpy and uneven. And in the fountain there are waterfalls. Periodically in life we can experience events that are traumatic and treacherous and may feel like going over a waterfall.

But, if we, like the water in the fountain, continue to keep moving with our eye fixed on the Savior, when we reach the end of mortality we will find ourselves resting at His feet, even as the water of the fountain calmly pools at the feet of the Christus.



Centro Visitatori del Tempio di Roma

TABERNACOLO E TEMPIO NELLA BIBBIA E NELLA STORIA

lectio magistralis

Relatore: Rav Shalom Bahbout

già Rabbino Capo di Napoli e Venezia

Domenica 21 febbraio 2021 ore 19.00

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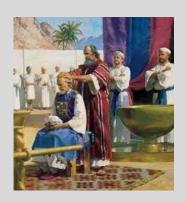


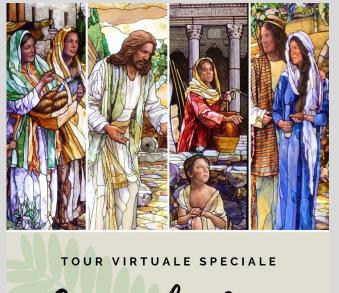
Tempio di Salomone

"Lectio Magistralis" by Rabbi Shalom Bahbout on the theme "Tabernacle and Temple in the Bible and History", in the contexts of dialogue and respect between faiths.

Event broadcast on Zoom and the YouTube channel of the Visitors Center with connections from Italy, USA, and other countries.





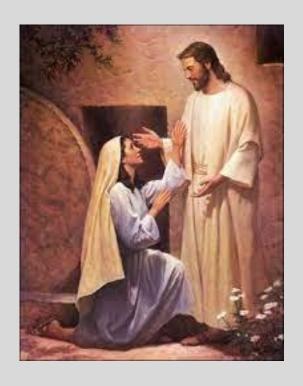


Gesù e le donne

LUNEDÌ 8 MARZO 2021 ORE 18:30

Trova il link per collegarti via Zoom sulla nostra pagina Facebook @ CentroVisitatoriTempioDiRoma

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Jesus and Women

A special presentation on the theme "Jesus and Women" is dedicated to the women depicted in the stained glass window by Tom Holdman, on the occasion of International Women's Day, March 8, 2021.

The event is broadcast on Zoom and the YouTube channel of the Visitors Center in Italian, English, and Spanish.

Connections from Italy, Slovenia, Austria, France, Germany, Romania, Turkey, Spain, Sweden, USA and Switzerland.



The gifts of Easter

Elder Massimo De Feo, Europe Area President

Event broadcast on the Visitors
Center YouTube channel

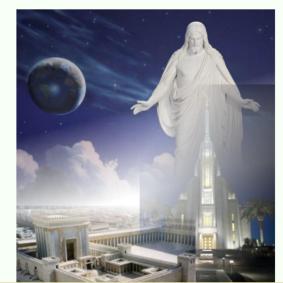
Translations in italian, english, greek, spanish and romanian

Temples Ancient and Modern

With Robert Asioli, teacher of Hebrew.

Event broadcast on the Visitors Center YouTube channel

Translations in italian and english.



CENTRO VISITATORI DEL TEMPIO DI ROMA

COMPRENDERE IL TEMPIO ANTICO PER COMPRENDERE I TEMPLI DI OGGI

ROBERTO ASIOLI

DOMENICA 11 APRILE 2021 - ORE 19:00

SIETE TUTTI INVITATI A SEGUIRE L'EVENTO

PER INFO CONTATTACI AL 351.767.7101 O PER EMAIL A
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QUASIMODO: A Family History

The family of Salvatore Quasimodo, winner of the Nobel Prize for literature in 1959, finds the missing children of their grandmother, mentioned in his poems, through FamilySearch research in collaboration with the Visitors Center.

The poet's son,
Alessandro Quasimodo,
gave to the Visitors Center
the LIONS CLUB QUASIMODO BANNER as
a sign of friendship.

The event was broadcast on the YouTube channel of the Visitors Center and the Salvatore Quasimodo Literary Park in Roccalumera (ME).



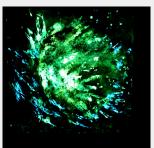
The Soul in Art art exhibit Wally Bonafè

...it is in this play of light and shadow that the soul, the true and eternal essence of man, faces triumph...

Shades of Love

Scopic Art















Reopening to the Public



CENTRO VISITATORI DEL TEMPIO DI ROMA

TUTTI I GIORNI dalle 9.00 alle 21.00

Via di Settebagni 354, 00139 Roma











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La Chiesa di Gesù Cristo dei Santi degli Ultimi Giorni

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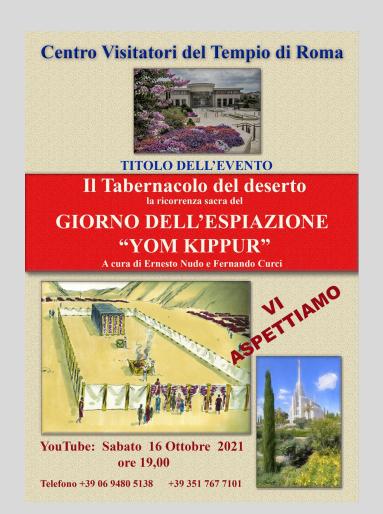
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YOM KIPPUR

"Lectio" by Ernesto Nudo



At the close of the series on "The Jewish Temple and the Restored Temple", Ernesto Nudo, author of the book "Jesus Christ Savior and Redeemer", examines the profound meaning of Yom Kippur in relation to the atonement of the Messiah and restoration of the ordinances of the Temple. Links on Zoom and YouTube channel.







Photo Exhibition

The life of Latter-day Saints in Rome, in black and white before the pandemic, told by Emilio Barillaro, member of the Photographic Museum of Humanity.



...emotions that only the camera can capture and preserve over time...



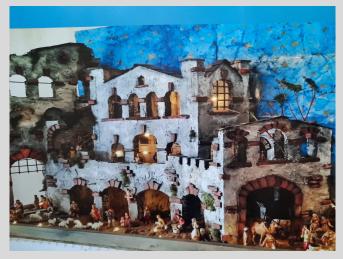






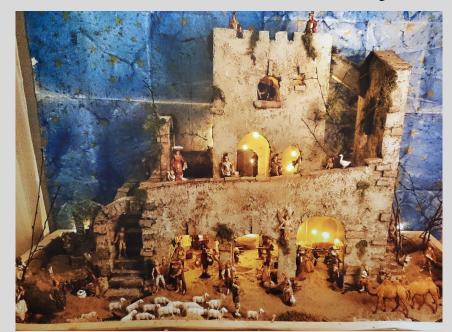
PHOTO EXHIBITION OF NATIVITIES (2021)







Folk art nativities by Armando Boscarino, from Sweden. Excellence in shown in the detail of the miniatures.

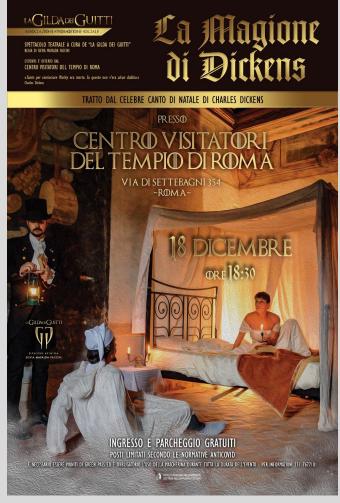




"LA GILDA DEI GUITTI" Theater Company of Frascati

Theatrical presentation of "A Christmas Carol", by Charles Dickens, directed by Silvia Faccini.







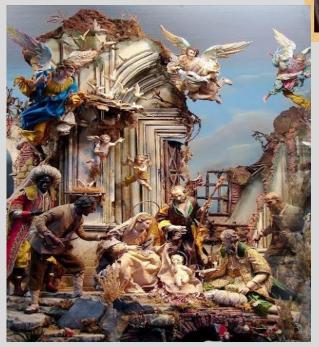




Silvia Faccini with Pres. Celestini

NATIVITIES (2021)

Exhibit of 22 fine art nativities, by local artists, representing the neapolitan tradition and early Rome.





The Catholic association, "Incontro alla realtà", of the 3rd municipality, presented a special prize to the Visitors Center, for exhibiting artistic nativities of singular workmanship.









EGG HUNTING

An afternoon outdoors, for the children of Rome, in the large park adjacent to the Visitors Center. Among the games, an Easter Egg Hunt.





Centro Visitatori del Tempio di Roma

"I volti dell'anima"

MOSTRA DI PITTURA **KUNGA SONAM**

dal 19 marzo al 1º maggio

INAUGURAZIONE: 19 MARZO ORE 18.00

Via di Settebagni, 354 - Roma 9.00-21.00

INGRESSO E PARCHEGGIO GRATUITO



TIBETAN ART

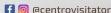
Kunga Sonam

Tibetan writing and calligraphy teacher.

...they are the voiceless faces of the soul, marked with innocence...



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Andrea Dell'Angelo, Director of "ASIA" Onlus, Rome.











CRYPTICA

by Franco Galvano

President of the Association "Art and City in Color" of Rome.

Cryptica is a voice that seeks hope, in a world where evil seems to prevail over good. Many guests were given copies of the Book of Mormon, which testifies of Jesus Christ, the hope and life of all mankind.







Franco Galvano and Alessia Dei, curators of the exhibit, and president Ernesto Nudo.

Events

ART EXHIBIT

Annett G. Campbell

Centro Visitatori del Tempio di Roma

MOSTRA DI PITTURA ANNETTE G. CAMPBELL

"Il Messia" dal 19 novembre al 6 gennaio

INAUGURAZIONE 19 NOVEMBRE ORE 18.00

Via di Settebagni, 354 - Roma 9.00-21.00

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THE PROMISED MESSIAH

They are fine works of art that show the life and works of the Savior from his birth to his glorious resurrection.











Events

ARTISTIC NATIVITIES (2022)



Popular characters and stories frame the birth of Jesus Christ, the light and life of the world...







Events

PIONEERS IN ITALY



1966-1968

I PIONIERI DELLA CHIESA DI GESÙ CRISTO DEI SANTI DEGLI ULTIMI GIORNI IN ITALIA



Dopo 56 anni dalla nascita della Chiesa in Italia, Sergio Griffa e Giorgio Dal Pozzo presentano alcune testimonianze dei primi convertiti.

> L'EVENTO SARÀ TRASMESSO SU CANALE YOUTUBE DEL CENTRO VISITATORI

> > LINK PER IL CANALE YOUTUBE

After 56 years from the birth of the Church in Italy, Sergio Griffa and Giorgio Dal Pozzo, present some testimonies of the first converts

Event broadcasted on the YouTube channel of the Visitors Center on November 27, 2022.











THE 9TH INTERNATIONAL "ALIRIO DIAZ" GUITAR COMPETITION (2021)

Competition in honor of Alirio Diaz, internationally renowned guitarist living in Italy since 1951, presented by M^ Senio Diaz, son of the artist Alirio. Following the competition there will be two concerts, on their respective evenings, with the young winners along with other extraordinary, world-famous guitarists.

THE 10TH INTERNATIONAL "ALIRIO DIAZ" GUITAR COMPETITION (2022)







Alirio Diaz



Senio Diaz

CONCERT "Rhapsody of Christmas" with the

Scarola and Corvasce families of the group "Enseble Sabina", in memory of the very sweet Maria Scarola. (2021)













JONATHAN TOMASINI ALLA CHITARRA







CHOIRS OF CHRISTMAS (2021)

Choirs of individuals, families and sister missionaries singing of the magic of Christmas and of the birth of Jesus Christ, the light and hope of the world.

Sister Missionaries

MUSICAL EVENING

...with the Parisian guitarist Jonathan Tomasini, and his melodic pieces from Italy and from the islands of Sicily and Corsica.





CHRISTMAS CONCERT (2021)

Brandon Bascom



Maestro Brandon Bascom is a teacher of piano at Fresno City Community College in California. He began taking piano lessons at the age of 3.







THE "7 HILLS GOSPEL CHOIR"





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Concert of the "7
HILLS GOSPEL
CHOIR" of Rome,
among the best
known in Italy,
directed by Maestro
Gianluca Buratti.

(Christmas 2021)

EVENING OF MUSIC "True love is eternal"

with the M'Franco and Nicola Scarola



Vieni a festeggiare con noi il grande amore di Dio a una serata musicale! Musica in programma Brani classici Colonne sonore Musica corale

Ingresso e parcheggio gratuito. Green Pass rafforzato Info: 351 767 7101 The selected pieces speak of the eternal love that overcomes death. Thanks to the Lord Jesus Christ and the covenants of His gospel, families can be united forever.



Nicola Scarola, a former music teacher, is a versatile multi instrumentalist.

Franco Scarola, pianist, was part of the Petruzzelli Symphony Orchestra of Bari.



CONCERT

Alissa Dorman and Sabrina Ceraso



Ms. Dorman and Ms. Ceraso are from Utah. They are both former full-time missionaries for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, who served in Italy during the pandemic. While serving as missionaries they organized many concerts of sacred music to build-up and encourage others. The pieces chosen for this Visitors Center concert are by Amy Beach, Maurice Ravel and Frederic Chopin, in an atmosphere of peace and beauty.





MUSIC CONCERT

"CLASSIC DUO"

Enio Marfoli and Sandro Senatore



Concert with Enio Marfoli on oboe and Sandro Senatore on pianoforte.

An evening of sweet notes with the virtuoso performance of pieces by Georg Friedrich Handel, Ennio Morricone, Giulio Caccini, Nicola Piovani, and Tomaso Albinoni.



CONCERT

Sizzling Strings

CENTRO VISITATORI DEL TEMPIO DI ROMA





sabato 11 giugno ore 19

Via di Settebagni 354 - Roma **INGRESSO E PARCHEGGIO GRATUITO**



Info - 351 767 7101



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The "Sizzling Strings" are young classical violinists from ages 8-18, from the USA. Their repertoire includes Irish, Broadway, and famous film tunes.





THE CACHE VALLEY INTERFAITH CHORUS



"THE CACHE VALLEY INTERFAITH CHORUS", is a choir of 31 professional artists belonging to different religious faiths., whose purpose is to offer a wide audience a selection of inspiring music of peace, hope, and praise. Among the artists of international experience are Randy Wellbaum, choir director, and Kevin Olsen, pianist and professor at Utah State University.



Kevin Olsen with music masters Franco and Nicola Scarola





The director Randy Wellbaum with the singers



CONCERT

Chamber Orchestra of Brigham Young University (BYU) Provo, Utah, USA



The orchestra, directed by Maestro Kory Katseanes, performed at the Visitors Center at the invitation of Elder Alessandro Dini Ciacci, Area Seventy. Among the guests were Senator Lucio Malan and the writer and journalist Alessandro Iovino.





The director Kory Katseanes and Kirt Saville of the BYU Orchestra.





CONCERT

Pachard Family Strings

IL CENTRO VISITATORI DEL TEMPIO DI ROMA

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PACKARD FAMILY STRINGS

in concerto

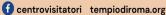
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Via di Settebagni 354 - Roma

INGRESSO E PARCHEGGIO GRATUITO









The group is made up of young students from Nashville, Tennessee, USA. They play all styles of music, from bluegrass to popular music. The young people have toured in over 15 states in the US. Here in Rome they, along with some family members, performed classical and sacred pieces.





CONCERT FOR ORGAN



Michael Stevens

Musician majoring in organ. An evening of special music with selections from Bach, Hobby, Schreiner, Vierne, Vidor, and Cundick.





Michael Stevens with the musicians Nicola Scarola and Giuseppe Fallacara



Centro Visitatori del Tempio di Roma

"LA GIOIA DEL RITORNO A CASA"

Lunedi 3 ottobre - ore 18.00

MUSICA DAL VIVO CON IL GRUPPO **ENSEMBLE "SABINA"**

in Via di Settebagni, 354 - Roma

INGRESSO GRATUITO

Info - 351 767 7101 www.tempiodiroma.org

Concert with the musical families Scarola, Corvasce and Torelli, in the name of joy and the sweet return to the House of God after the pilgrimage.





MUSICAL RECITAL

Clara Hurtado Lee e Antonio D'Abramo





Clara Hurtado Lee is a soprano with the Tabernacle Choir. She performs at the Visitors Center together with pianist Antonio D'Abramo and singer Kari Hughes.





PIANO CONCERT

ANNETTE ESPLIN



Annette Esplin is a classical pianist. She has won numerous piano competitions including the Grand Prix at the Los Angeles Steinway Hall Piano Competition.







CHRISTMAS CONCERT (2022)

Interfaith Choirs: Archè Choir, conducted by Giovanni Cernicchiaro, Claudio Monteverdi Choir, conducted by Elena D'Elia, Carmina Cantorum Choir, conducted by Nicola Scarola. (From top to bottom)







Choir Directors Scarola, Cernicchiaro and D'Elia



His Excellency Nasr-Eddin
Mofarah, Minister of Religious Affairs of
South Sudan, was received on the 14 of
September, 2021 at the Rome Italy Temple
and Visitors Center by Elder Alessandro
Dini-Ciacci, Area Seventy.

Minister Mofarah was accompanied on the visit by the charge d'affairs at the Embassy of the Republic of South Sudan in Rome, Mohamed Elmouataz Jaffar E. Osman.











Installation of new lighting in the stained glass window of the Visitors Center.



Jason Zander



A friendly occasion for the meeting of leaders of the Temple, Visitors Center, and Mission with stained glass artist, Tom Holdman, and Jason Zander, of the Missionary Department of the Church in Salt Lake City.



SANT'EGIDIO COMMUNITY

Each year the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints awards the Recognition for the Values of the Family to those who have distinguished themselves in defending the institution of the family.

This year (2022) the Church awarded this recognition to the Comunità di Sant'Egidio di Roma, represented by Presidente Marco Impagliazzo.



Marco Impagliazzo and Ether Simoncini



A musical number was performed by the Dini Ciacci family.





Elder Dini Ciacci presents the plaque and statuette to Presidents Marco Impagliazzo



Visitors Center

GAIL MILLER

Supporting members of the "Freedom and Respect Among Religions" project, sponsored by Brigham Young University (BYU), visited the Visitors Center. Among them was Gail Miller, who posed as a model for the character of Nicodemus in Holdman's stained glass window.











Students of The Sapienza University of Rome





The students, majoring in the History of Religion, each received, as a gift, The Book of Mormon: Another Testament of Jesus Christ.

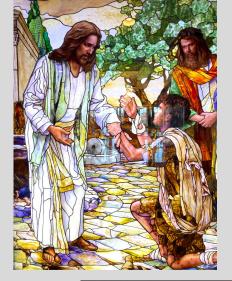
TOM HOLDMAN (2021)



Tom Holdman with journalist and writer Alessandro Jovino.











Leaders and Special Visitors

The beauty and art of stained glass, widespread in Christan art, is now revived in the windows of the Rome Italy Temple and the Visitors Center. The artistic stained glass window of the Visitors Center depicts 130 events in the life of Jesus Christ including parables, miracles, and characters.

The colors in the stained glass windows of the Rome Temple take on a different aspect depending on the light that passes through them. By day, with the rays of the sun, they look like pastel paintings; at sunset they turn to an autumn pallet; at night they emit a light that bursts into the dark with their changing colors.





In March of 2022 we welcomed 22 visitors from Denmark. None of them were members of our church. They came here on a special trip just to see the Thorvaldsen statues. It was an honor to have them here.

The Danish visitors loved that they could get close to the statues, and even touch them. Because of the way the statues are displayed in The Church of Our Lady in Denmark, this is not possible there.



When teaching at the Vetrata, it is inspiring to watch people's reaction when they learn how it represents the stories and miracles in the life of Christ in mortality. When they learn this they nearly always want to move in and get a closer look. We know our Savior rejoices when anyone learns of Him and wants to know more and become closer to Him. It was clear that these Danish visitors were people with faith in Jesus Christ.







Of course all of the visitors who come to the Visitors Center are special, but occasionally we have some unique guests.

Elder Peter Johnson, of the Seventy, and his family made a point of stopping in Rome on their way home from serving as the mission leaders in the England Manchester Mission. They knew Anziano & Sister Law from their time in Alabama, USA.

Vincenzo de Paola, of Cameo Factory de Paola in Naples, comes often with his family to deliver beautiful custom made cameos of the Rome Temple.







European Area President, Elder Massimo De Feo and Sister De Feo meet with the sister missionaries in the Visitors Center.

Elder Alessandro Dini Ciacci, Area Seventy, and his family visit the Visitors Center.





Visit of Tom Holdman and Jason Zander with their wives.



Meeting of the European Area Leaders of LDS Charities with leaders of the major non-profit Italian Charitable Organizations that collaborate with the Church to provide humanitarian aid. (2021).

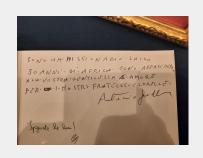


Antonio Carovillano, a lay Catholic missionary in Africa for 30 years, visiting the Center, left a comment that says: "I am fascinated by your kindness and love for your brothers and sisters".





Elder and Sister Rozier, Directors of LDS Charities - Italy.



Dirigenti e Visitatori Speciali



Sister Jamie Pacini wrote a song at Easter 2000, "A Simple Boy," during her parents' mission in 1999 in Italian, English and Spanish.

It is a testimony of our Savior Jesus Christ.

She performed this piece at the Visitors Center in the presence of many admirers.



EUROPEAN AREA DIRECTORS OF COMMUNICATIONS



The European Area Directors of Communications met at the Visitors Center. They heard from Tom Holdman, artist of the stained glass window.



Prodigal son





President Massimo De Feo and
President Craig Pacini with Tom and
Gayle Holdman.





Dinis Adriano and Remo Sicardi with the artist Tom Holdman.



Bishop **Todd Budge**, Presiding Bishop of the Church, and **Paul Hansen**, Central European Area Director of Temporal Affairs, and their wives, at the Visitors Center.





Manager of Church temple sites in Europe



A special visit of the Cardon family, from the U.S., descendants of Marie Madeleine CARDON, who in 1851 was among the first Waldensians converted to the Church in Piedmont. where Lorenzo Snow, Joseph Toronto, and Elder Stenhouse, opened Italy to the preaching of the gospel-September19, 1850).







The new president of the Rome temple, **James Toronto**, great-grandson of Joseph Toronto, with some descendants of Marie Cardon, at the photographic exhibit of the dedication of Italy for the preaching of the gospel by Lorenzo Snow.

Elder and Sister Guymon,
Directors of LDS Charities - Italy



Meeting of the European Area Leaders of LDS Charities with leaders of the major non-profit Italian Charitable Organizations that collaborate with the Church to provide humanitarian aid. (2022)



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P. Gabriele Beltrami and Christian Ottiker, LDS charities executive from 39 countries.

Leaders and Special Visitors A FOND FAREWELL



A bittersweet goodbye to President and Sister Smith as they complete their time as Mission Leaders. Three intense years in the midst of the pandemic crisis which, however, did not stop the missionary work thanks to their faith and their love in serving. (2019-2022)











Leaders and Special Visitors

A FOND FAREWELL



First President and Matron of the Rome Temple, Craig and Julie Pacini.



Pres. Craig Pacini with counselors Tranquillo Dal Zotto and Umberto Pagnani and their respective spouses at a celebration of thanks for the loving service they gave during their mission to the Rome Temple. (2019-2022)



New Leaders



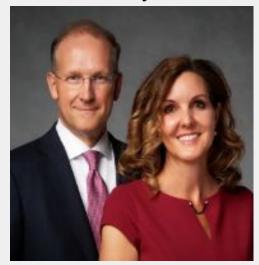
Area Europe Authority Seventy Elder Emanuel Petrignani

Visitors Center Directors (2023-2025) LeGrand, Jr. and Jane Curtis



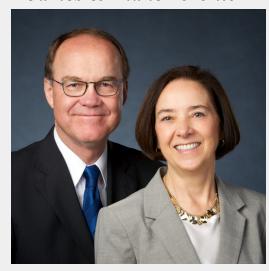
Mission Leaders (2022-2025)

Tim & Cindy Morris



Temple President and Matron (2022-2025)

James & Diane Toronto



President & Sister Oaks 15 December, 2021



This mission conference with President and Sister Oaks was greatly anticipated. It required much careful coordination by President and Sister Smith of the Italy Rome mission, to arrange for the travel and accommodations for all of the missionaries throughout the mission, young and senior, to gather in Rome. We were blessed with a beautiful sunny December day.

As the conference began, President Oaks announced that he wanted to greet each missionary personally and shake their hand. This was a treasured moment for each of us.





President Oaks & Sister Oaks were accompanied by Elder & Sister De Feo, President of the European Area. In his remarks at the conference Elder De Feo prepared us to hear from an apostle by quoting D&C 43:16

"Ye are to be taught from on high. Sanctify yourselves and ye shall be endowed with power."

Then President Oaks led a discussion with the entire group by asking the question "What have you learned about revelation?"





President and Sister Oaks and President and Sister Smith





President and Sister Smith at the Zone Conference







President and Sister Smith at the Zone Conference



President and Sister Smith







Missionary meetings during the pandemic





Sister Smith at the piano



Senior Missionary Retreat 2021







Thanksgiving 2021!











Elder and Sister Alliaud June 9, 2022

Elder Ruben V. Alliaud, General Authority Seventy, met with leaders and missionaries of the Italy Rome Mission.



Elder and Sister Alliaud with President and Sister Smith and missionaries of the Italy Rome Mission.

CENTRO VISITATORI DEL TEMPIO DI ROMA

incontro con anziano Rubén V. Alliaud **Settanta Autorità Generale**

giovedi 9 giugno ore 19

presso la cappella di Via di Settebagni 354

PER INFO 351.767.7101



SPECIAL DEVOTIONAL

Elder and Sister Alliaud met with members of the Church in Rome in a special devotional held in the chapel of the stake center.



Elders Alliaud and Diodato





















President and Sister Morris at their first Zone Conference







Training Conference for Young Adult leaders of FSY

Meeting of the Sign Language Group (LIS) of the Florence stake.





Rocco Ianni and his marvelous team of volunteers from the LIS of Florence. They promote the training of volunteers to learn sign language to share the gospel with those who are hearing impaired.

hearing impaired.



Rocco Ianni and the (LIS) sisters













Youth of the Verona Stake

Youth Conference of the Italian Service Mission, conducted by the president of the mission, Paolo Petrollini.



Elder **Diodato**Service Missionary







President and Sister Morris at the Zone Conference



Meeting of members of the Milan West Stake



Youth Conference of the Rome East Stake



The artist Tom
Holdman shares his
experiences in
creating the stained
glass window with the
European Area
Mission Presidents at
their conference held
in Rome.



Tom Holdman









Leaders of the Tirana Stake (Albania)

















Members of the Verona Stake



































Children of the Rome East Stake





Members of the Puglia Stake



Youth members from the Verona Stake cleaned up trash at a city park near the Temple and on the pedestrian walkway to the Porta di Roma shopping center.











Members from Perugia



Members of the Milano East Stake



Members of the Verona Stake



Youth of the Palermo Stake



Nino and Betty from Pistoia Marcel Manea from Cipro with Marco Diaz from Milano



Members of the East Milan Stake



Members from Cyprus



Members from Coriza (Albania)

















BAPTISM OF SIMONE



Simone had always sought the Lord and one day, speaking with the sister missionaries at the Visitors Center, feelings of peace and joy entered his heart. He was taught the missionary lessons and was baptized on March 19, 2022.



Sisters Keil, Revill, Keck with Simone and his sister Miriam

BAPTISM OF BHADRA

Bhadra, from Sri Lanka, was born into Buddhism. For 10 years she cared for an elderly man as if he were her father. When he died, Bhadra desired to know more about life after death. She knew that The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints performed baptisms for the dead. So, she began receiving the lessons taught by the sister Tanner and Willis at the Visitors Center and was baptized on March 29, 2022.



Bhadra with Sisters Willis and Tanner



Elders Stepanian and Tally with Bhadra and Sisters Willis and Tanner

BAPTISM OF ANGELA

Angela met the sister missionaries at the Visitors Center. Her sensitive and delicate soul began to feel sweet feelings in talking about the Lord with the sisters, so after being taught the missionary lessons she was baptized on July 30, 2022.



Angela with Sisters Keller and Spach



Angela with the Persico's and Sisters Murdock and Keller

Angela with Elders Persico, Stepanian and Aponte-Familia



Multilingual Virtual Visits via Zoom





Virtual visits are given, by reservation, via Zoom in the following languages:
 Italian, English, French, German, Spanish, Portuguese, Romanian, and Albanian.

Virtual Visit





Teachers of the State High School of Rome





Young people from the Disabled Center, via Cortona, Rome



Marlene



Sisters Compton and Furia with Marlene

At the Visitors Center Marlene was touched by the Spirit as she stood before the Christus statue and expressed a desire to receive the missionary lessons.



















Elder Fowler, General Authority Seventy, Emeritus



President and Sister Morris















Nick Giangrosso, service volunteer of the Visitor Center



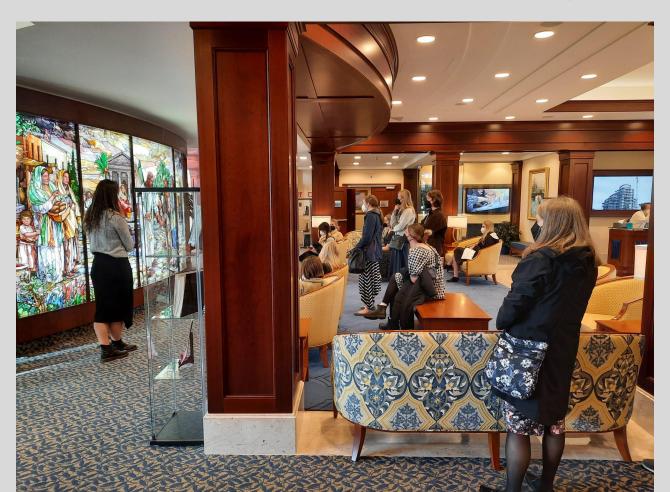




Maestro Scarola and Sister Findley



Elder Tally







Cassandra



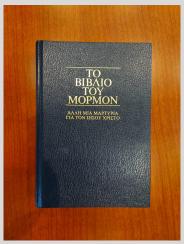








Scott e Viki Sheffield







Lica Catsakis

Sister Viki Catsakis and her husband Scott Sheffield show the Book of Mormon in Greek. Her mother, Lisa Catsakis, translated this book from English to Greek. Lica Catsakis has also translated the Doctrine and Covenants, Hymns, missionary lessons, temple ordinances, and various publications. She served as a volunteer in the departments of Family History and Church History for 27 years. Her work continues to help people of Greek descent search for their ancestors.

An Ethiopian visitor, seeing the display of Books of Mormon in many languages, thought it was impossible for it to also be in her native language of Amharic. The Amharic language is of Semitic origin and has affinities with Phoenician, Aramaic, Hebrew, and Arabic. When she was shown and given a Book of Mormon in Amharic, she was amazed and accepted it with excitement and gratitude.





A young couple of the Catholic faith, newly married, came to the Visitors Center to take wedding photos. They were very happy to pose at the feet of the risen Christ.

















The heart and soul of the Visitors Center are the missionaries, young and senior, who serve there.





As we serve together we grow to love each other. We celebrate birthdays and holidays, arrivals and departures.











Each transfer means some tearful goodbyes, but also an opportunity to make new friends. We are a close group.













Each Monday morning we gather for instruction and training. We take turns giving the training and are always uplifted in learning from each other.













And there is always amazing food!



The Talents of the Sorelle

The Sisters who are called to serve at the Centro Visitatori are especially talented. They have worked to develop their talents and they are exceptionally generous with sharing the gifts they've been given with anyone who asks.







Brother Nicola Scarola, a beloved member of the Sabina Branch, often shares his own exceptional talents and provides the missionaries with many opportunities to perform beautiful musical numbers.







The Talents of the Sorelle





Sorelle Tanner & Willis

Sorella Maddalena Willis is a gifted artist and ballerina. She performed an inspiring ballet dance on the temple piazza to the hymn Consider the Lilies that was broadcast on the Visitors Center Facebook page. And, on a street in downtown Rome, she created beautiful chalk drawings of the Rome Italy Temple and the Savior.



Sisters Bollinger, Groberg, & Phelps

The Christus room is a favorite place to perform and record music.



Sister Luzy Guanuna

Talents of the Sorelle



Many of the Elders in the Rome mission are also gifted musicians and would join our Visitors Center Sisters to provide beautiful music for conferences and other special events.



Talents of the Sorelle



Some of our most gifted Sorelle express their talents in the kitchen.
Yum!!

The Talents of the Sorelle

The greatest talent the young sister missionaries have is their cheerful countenance. They radiate the Light of Christ. Everyone who walks through the doors of the Visitors Center are warmed by their bright smiles and joyful kindness.









Talents of the Sorelle





Even masks cannot hide their light.
Their smiles radiate through their eyes.

Memories of the Sorelle



The sisters love and care for each other like family. They are truly best friends.





Memories of the Sorelle













Memories of the Sorelle











The Senior Couples

The Visitors Center could not function without our beloved Senior Couples. They manage everything! They provide love, comfort, spiritual support, (and food) for the young missionaries.

















(Clockwise starting upper left): Directors Persico, Coppia Law & Nick Giangrosso, Coppie Persico & Rozier, Coppia Seaman, Coppia Smith, Copia Gee, Copia Guymon, Coppia Bates, Coppia Bushman, Coppia Lamb



The Senior Couples

The young missionaries have said that serving with senior couples is like serving a mission with your grandparents. The unconditional love and endless support creates a lasting bond.







Memories of the Senior Couples











Our Directors, The Persico's





It is impossible to say enough about the wonderful Persico's!
They are beloved by all who have served with them.

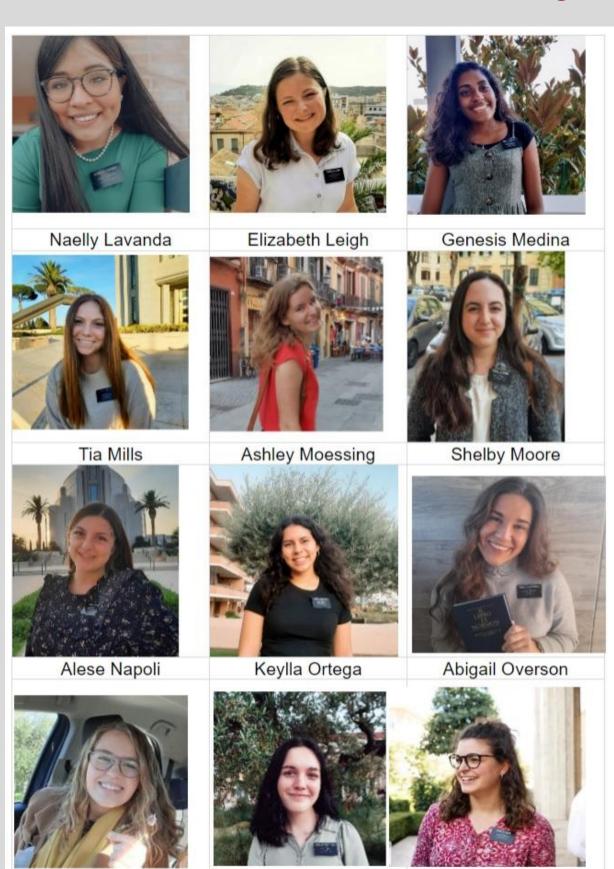


Thank you for your kindness, your Christ-like example of selfless service, and most especially always being generous in sharing your deep faith in Jesus Christ. We Love You!!!





Livia Rosa



Grace Prettyman

Angel Phelps



Rebekah Acton



Emma Argyle



Emma Benefield



Baylie Brown



Mia Castellano



Savannah Cordray



Anna Debiasi



Abigail Debloois



Chris Dioquino



Kylee Duron



Patricia Fernandez



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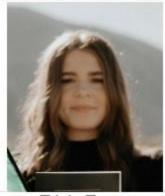
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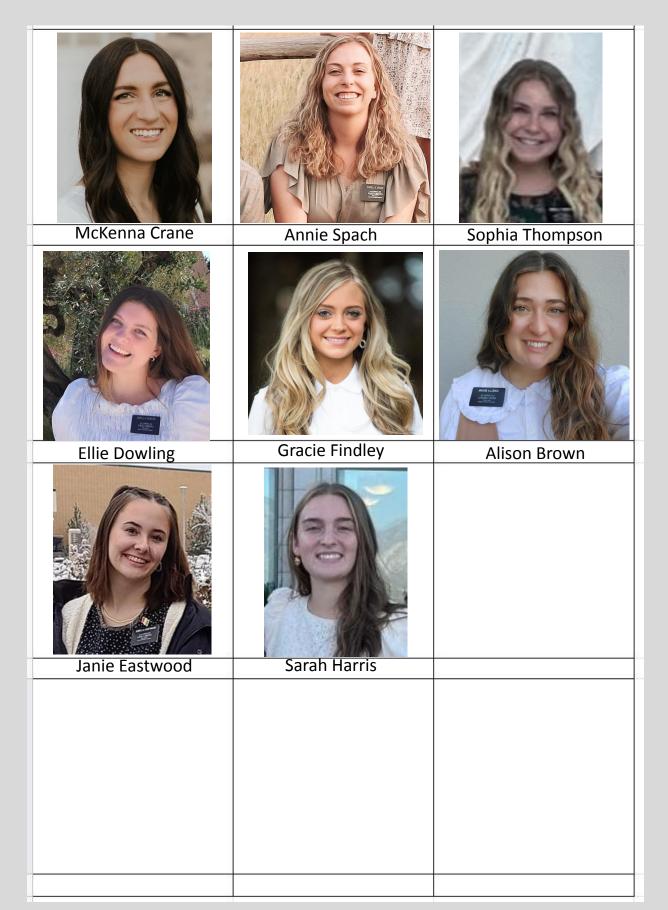
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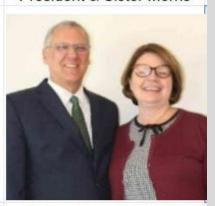
President & Sister Morris



John & Betty Lamb



Sam & Lonette Bushman



John & Suzanne Rozier



John & Mary Seaman



Brent & Nancy Law



Preston & Janice Gee



Darce & Peggy Guymon



David & Irene Smith



Duane & Wendy Bates





































Elders and Sisters sing a hymn to the Pioneers composed by Elder Gee and set to music by Elder Di Girolamo







FAREWELL

We are grateful to Heavenly Father that in the two year period, 2021-2022, the Visitors Center did not stop during the pandemic, but that it was able to reach individuals, families, and communities through multimedia channels.

With multilingual virtual visits, tens of thousands of people connected to the Visitors Center from different countries and heard testimony of the Savior Jesus Christ through works of art that testify of Him.

Following the reopening to the public, the Visitors Center events and concerts provided an opportunity to welcome guests and introduce them to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Thousands of visitors received a copy of the Book of Mormon as a gift, and who knows how many felt inwardly the love of Heavenly Father and His Son Jesus Christ through the smiles and testimony of the sister missionaries.

We are grateful to Heavenly Father for the precious gift of His Son Jesus Christ, for living prophets, temples, and gospel covenants that bless the lives of his children.

Finally, thanks to Sister Law for assisting in preparing the Memories and to all with whom we have served: to the leaders of the mission department, the temple, the Italy Rome Mission, and the stakes, also to the senior couples, missionary sisters and elders, committee and service members, and temple site personnel

May Heavenly Father bless us all. In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen

With loving affection,

Rome, december 2022

Elder and Sister Persico

























