

Feast of St. Francis

The Feast of St. Francis is a holiday for the Commune of Assisi. We started with early morning prayer so we could join the procession.

The procession starts in the main piazza and makes its way down Via San Francesco, a narrow street, to the Basilica of San Francesco.



The trumpets herald the beginning of the procession. Then, one church bell sounds the death knell until the entire procession reaches the Basilica.

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The floats minus the flying angels

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These men are carrying torches of wheat/grass. During the evening processions they are lit. The men carrying them light the way.

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The procession of City/Villages again.

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Once they arrive at the Basilica, the flags are set along the wall. The bells begin to ring with joy through out the city. Francis is now in heaven. The friars speak to the crowds outside the Basilica, and then there is a mass.

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There will be Vespers this evening.