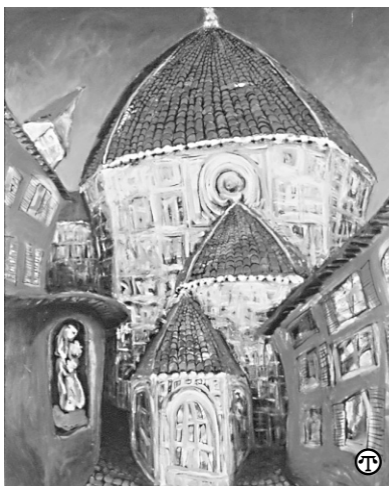


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A Pilgrimage In Art

(NAPSA)—You can retrace the spiritual journey to Rome that pilgrims have traveled for nearly 1,700 years through a new exhibit at the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center, Washington, DC's exciting, new museum.



Pilgrim's Progress: Sacred Italian shrines come to life in colorful works of art at the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center.

The Road to Rome: A Modern Pilgrimage, which runs until May 7, 2003, shows ancient, sacred sites painted by artist and Benedictine monk Father Jerome Tupa. The art exhibit, made possible by Target, depicts shrines throughout the Italian countryside from Milan to Rome.

“Father Tupa’s colorful and exuberant works, imbued with vitality, are boldly modern, and highly original,” said Father G. Michael Bugarin, executive director of the center.