



RELIGIOUS PURPOSES VISA

Schengen Visa – Type C (up to 90 days) or National Visa – Type D (more than 90 days)

CHECKLIST

1. **VISA APPLICATION FORM:** Download and complete the appropriate application form. Do not leave any fields blank; where a field is not applicable, indicate "N/A".
 - a. **For a Schengen Visa – Type C** (stay of up to 90 days): [Schengen Visa Application Form](#)
 - b. **For a National Visa – Type D** (stay exceeding 90 days): [National Visa application form](#)
2. **PHOTOGRAPH:** One (1) recent colour passport-sized photograph (3.5 × 4.0 cm) compliant with [ICAO](#) standards, with a white background and both ears visible.
3. **TRAVEL DOCUMENT:** A valid current passport (and any previous passports, if applicable). The passport must remain valid for at least three months beyond the expiry date of the requested visa. A remaining validity of at least six months is recommended, in accordance with the requirements of the Philippine Bureau of Immigration.
 - a. A photocopy of the passport's biographical data page.
4. **DOCUMENTATION CONFIRMING THE APPLICANT'S STATUS AS A MEMBER OF THE CLERGY OR RELIGIOUS ORDER:** Original and photocopy of the *Note Verbale* issued by the Apostolic Nunciature.
5. **LETTER OF INVITATION:** A letter of invitation from the Congregation in Italy bearing the Vatican (Secretariat of State) stamp.
6. **PROOF OF ACCOMMODATION:** Hotel booking confirmation, hotel voucher, or a letter from the host guaranteeing accommodation.
7. **MEDICAL INSURANCE:** Travel medical insurance with a minimum coverage of EUR 30,000, valid throughout the Schengen Area and covering emergency hospitalisation

and repatriation expenses. The insurer must be included in the [list of accredited insurance providers](#).

8. VISA FEE: Payment of the applicable visa application fee.

Please note: Where accommodation and living expenses are not fully covered by the inviting organisation, it is the applicant's responsibility to demonstrate that they possess sufficient personal financial means to support themselves.

Visa applications will not be accepted if the intended date of travel is more than six months after the date on which the application is submitted.