101 Surprising Facts About St. Peter's And The Vatican
What do you really know about Vatican City? The Vatican, comprising the Apostolic Palace, St. Peter's Basilica, and various other buildings, serves as the headquarters of the Catholic Church. It has done so for nearly two millennium ever since the first Pope, St. Peter, made it his home. Thousands of Catholics flock to the Vatican and its iconic basilica each year. But what do you really know about this great basilica and the city that houses it? Here, Father Jeffrey Kirby takes you on a whirlwind tour of this little country (yes, Vatican City is its own country, Fact #2) and uncovers the secrets and surprising facts about the city, and its famous church. Discover what language degree you need to work a Vatican ATM, what architectural feature of St. Peter's is a map of the universe, and even what the pope's license plate number is. Along the way, you'll find the deep theological meaning woven into the design and architectural features of St. Peter's Basilica and Vatican. Whether you've already been to Rome or are still planning your first trip, 101 Surprising Facts About the Vatican will transport you to Basilica and City at the heart of the Catholic Church and enable you to appreciate them like never before.

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I bought this for our oldest daughter who lives in a "single for the Lord" community -- but I have very carefully looked at various parts of this book. It is beautifully put together with so many full color pictures. I know she is going to love it. I think I need one for myself!

I love this book! I am on fact #56 and have learned so much already. I would love to share what I
have learned, but that would give away things you need to read for yourself! This book is a super way to learn about the Vatican. It is actually fun! IF I could give it 10 stars, I would not hesitate to do so! The pictures are amazing. I am able to visit the Vatican without leaving home. That is a real blessing for me.

Having visited the Vatican many times I found out info that was new to me.

Beautiful and informative book! It's really nice to have the visual experience of the photographs along with the facts. There were many 'facts' that actually surprised me.

fun book with lovely pictures...makes a nice gift!

We’ve been reading 2 or 3 facts every night before the kids go to bed. They are great discussion starters to learn more about the seat of our faith.

I love all the interesting information available in so many books. Great variety and professionalism. Thank you.

Wonderfull book! Each page was a reminder of the visit to the Vatican in May. Thank you.

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