Catholica Summer Program
Forming young men into confident Catholic gentlemen
PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Spiritual Formation -

The Mass is the foundation and most important aspect of Catholica Summer Program. Celebrated daily in Latin, the young man will be immersed in the beautiful traditions of the Roman liturgy. Daily mass will be celebrated in St. Peter's Basilica!

Each day will begin and end with prayers. We'll also partake in many local Roman devotions, such as processions and festivals in honor of the saints.

A weekend trip to the traditional Benedictine monastery at Norcia will afford each young man the opportunity to experience first-hand the monastic life.

- Catholic Education -

  **Latin**

Studying biblical passages and a selection of early Christian writings Dr. Mark Clark will instruct the student in the practical application of Christian Latin.

The student will to learn to read and comprehend the scripture of the Vulgate. This will involve each student more intimately into the Truths found therein.

  **Church History**

A unique approach to Church history, following the lives of the saints, will chronologically examine the life and history of the Catholic Church. Dr. Mark Clark, Joseph Long and a group of lecturers will combine a study of primary sources with a personal immersion in the story of Rome.

By relying solely on primary sources the student will form his own imaginative understanding of Church History. He'll then apply that to reality by literally exploring the very sites that he is studying.

There is no better way to learn history than to go directly to the source, form one's own understanding of the matter and then broaden and sharpen that understanding by personal experience.

  **Lecture Series**

A series of lectures delivered by committed Catholic clergy will give the young man a great love for his Catholic heritage and inspire him to respond courageously to the universal call to holiness.

- Pilgrimage -

Siena, Assisi and Norcia are among the great places we will visit. The great saints Catherine, Francis and Benedict will become a part of each young man's life as he steps into their realities and witnesses their legacies.

Each young man will witness the medieval world as he explores Italy's most beautiful and best preserved medieval cities.

- Fraternity & Adventure -

Fraternity is one of the great hallmarks of Catholic and Western civilization. The boys will do everything together - from daily mass and classes, to exploring the city of Rome, to whitewater rafting and hiking through the Italian countryside.

The young men of Catholica Summer Program will forge friendships that will last a lifetime.

- Culture and Courtesy -

Culture and courtesy will be cultivated at the dinner table every evening. Authentic Roman cuisine in a beautiful piazza is just the right setting for healthy conversation among our boys, faculty and guests every evening.
Joseph Long - Director and Professor  
MA, Pontifical University of the Holy Cross  
Founder, ProRome Tours

Mark Clark - Professor and Academic Dean  
PhD, Columbia University  
JD, Duke University  
Professor of History, Catholic University of America

Tim Noone - Guest Lecturer  
PhD, University of Toronto  
MSL, Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies  
Professor of Philosophy, Catholic University of America

His Eminence  
Cardinal George Pell - Guest Lecturer  
PhD, Oxford  
Prefect of the Secretariat for the Economy, Vatican City

His Excellency  
Archbishop Joseph Augustine DiNoia - Guest Lecturer  
PhD, Yale  
Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith, Vatican City

Msgr. Richard Soseman - Chaplain  
JCL, Pontifical Lateran University  
Congregation for the Clergy, Vatican City  
Episcopal Delegate, Cause of Venerable Fulton Sheen

Rev. Joshua Neu - Chaplain  
Diocese of Tyler, TX

Rev. William Barker - Chaplain  
Ecclesia Dei, Vatican City

Robert Long - Residence Director  
Athletic Director - Great Hearts Irving  
BA, University of Dallas

Joseph Kuplack - Residence Coordinator  
Counselor - The American School in Switzerland  
BA, Christendom College

Four Adult Chaperones
Catholica Summer Program Rome Campus
The Guest House of Santa Maria alle Fornaci and the Trinitarian Fathers

Catholica Summer Program is blessed to have a beautiful, welcoming and perfectly located guest house as its campus in Rome. The Guest House of Santa Maria alle Fornaci was instituted by the Trinitarian Fathers whose beautiful baroque church of Santa Maria alle Fornaci is just next door. Here is a description of the guest house taken from their website:

The word home includes a feeling of pleasant serenity, the emotion tied to conviviality, an extraordinary sense of family. The careful traveler will find here food for his curiosity and inspiration for his path. In effect, this experience is enhanced by the proximity to the hub of the Catholic world: a three-minute peaceful walk leads to St. Peter’s Colonnade, after other three minutes there is the Bridge of the Angels: an impressive scenery that fascinates the soul and makes the travel really unique.

Since its birth in 1198, the Order of the Holy Trinity has been dedicated to charity and works of mercy. Born during the Crusades with the aim of rescuing prisoners, its first members would have sacrificed their own lives to help others. This excerpt from their Constitution sheds light on their spirituality and culture:

The Order of the Most Holy Trinity is a religious family founded by St. John de Matha with its own Rule. For the sake of the up-building of the Church, the members of the Order share their lives with each other, consecrate themselves in a special way to the Trinity and take Christ the Redeemer as their primary model. The Brothers, through their ministry of charity and redemption, commit themselves to help all who suffer uncommon hardships, especially those who suffer for their faith or who are poor.

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ITINERARY

Monday, June 12 – Travel
Depart from different US destinations for Rome, Italy

Tuesday, June 13 - Travel
Arrive at Leonardo da Vinci – Fiumicino International Airport - Meet Catholica staff members at Arrivals
Private transfer to Rome campus – Welcome & Orientation

Wednesday, June 14 – Orientation
Papal Audience with Pope Francis,
City Orientation – Seven Hills of Rome

Thursday, June 15 – Regular Schedule
*St. Peter, Roman Primacy and the Papacy*
Scavi Tour, Tomb of St. Peter, St. Peter’s Basilica

Friday, June 16 – Regular Schedule
*St. Paul and the Spread of Christianity*
Tre Fontane – Martyrdom of St. Paul
Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls

Saturday, June 17 – Day Trip
*Ancient Rome – From the Founding of the City to Caesar Augustus*
Palatine Hill, Roman Forum, Colosseum, Circus Maximus

Sunday, June 18 – Day Trip
*Solemnity of Corpus Christi – Roman Procession - Heroic Men – St. Lawrence, St. Stephen and St. Sebastian*
St. Lawrence Outside the Walls, St. Sebastian Outside the Walls, Catacombs of St. Sebastian

Monday, June 19 – Regular Schedule
*The Holy Apostles in Rome*
St. Philip, St. James the Lesser, St. Bartholomew
Lecture: Vocation to the Faith – His Eminence Cardinal Pell

Tuesday, June 20 – Regular Schedule
*Underground Rome and the Early Martyrs*
St. Clement, SS. John and Paul, SS. Cosmas and Damian
Lecture: Dying for the Faith – His Excellency Archbishop DiNoia

Wednesday, June 21 – Regular Schedule
*Underground Rome and the Early Martyrs*
St. Cecilia, St. Chrysogonus

Thursday, June 22 – Regular Schedule
*Constantine and St. Helen – The Holy Relics*
Archbasilica of St. John Lateran, Holy Stairs, Holy Cross in Jerusalem

Friday, June 23 – Weekend Trip
*Western Monasticism & the Mystery of the Incorrupt*
St. Benedict of Norcia, St. Rita of Cascia
Saturday, June 24 – Weekend Trip
The Benedictine Lifestyle – A Day with the Monks at Norcia, Ora et Labora

Sunday, June 25 – Weekend Trip
Adventure in the Countryside – Whitewater Rafting

Monday, June 26 – Regular Schedule
Papacy VS Heresy and the Irish Mission
Pope St. Celestine I, Pope St. Sixtus III, Basilica of St. Mary Major, Basilica of St. Praxedes

Tuesday, June 27 – Regular Schedule
Papal Domination, Heresy Destroyed, the Fall of Rome & Pope St. Leo the Great
Lecture: Introduction to Apologetics & Effective Rhetoric - Monsignor Richard Soseman

Wednesday, June 28 – Regular Schedule
Papal Domination, Monasticism, Barbarian Conversion & Pope St. Gregory the Great
Lecture: The Church - Foundation of Western Culture

Thursday, June 29 – Day Trip
Feast of St. Peter and Paul, Picnic and Swimming at Lake Albano
Lecture: The Church - Life of Western Culture

Friday, June 30 – Weekend Trip
Eucharistic Miracles of Orvieto and Siena

Saturday, July 1 – Weekend Trip
Great Medieval Saints
St. Catherine of Siena, St. Bernardine of Siena

Sunday, July 2 – Weekend Trip
Great Medieval Saints
St. Francis of Assisi, St. Claire of Assisi

Monday, July 3 – Regular Schedule
Cathedrals and Universities
Lecture: The Mendicants & Medieval Europe - Dr. Tim Noone

Tuesday, July 4 – Day Trip
Independence Day!
Mediterranean Sea

Wednesday, July 5 – Regular Schedule
The Baroque and the Counter-Reformation
St. Ignatius and the Gesu’

Thursday, July 6 – Regular Schedule
The Baroque and the Counter-Reformation
St. Philip Neri and the Chiesa Nuova

Friday, July 7 – Regular Schedule
Beauty, Joy and the Catholic Faith
Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel & St. Peter’s Basilica

Saturday, July 8 – Travel
Depart for USA
WHY ATTEND?

Catholica Summer Program will immerse you in the life and history of Catholicism in a unique and extraordinary way. This will challenge you to grow into a well-rounded and confident young man, with an enriched understanding and ability to communicate the Catholic Faith.

Every morning you will sit down with forty other young men and study Latin and Church History. In Latin class, with the Bible as your textbook, you’ll examine different passages from the New Testament. This will develop your familiarity with Sacred Scripture and further your competence in the traditional language of Roman Catholicism. In Church History, meanwhile, you’ll study the life of the Church by an examination of primary sources. That means that you will learn from those who witnessed and recorded our very own sacred history. You’ll then visit the same places that you read about! You will gain a genuine comprehension of the early Church as you explore the underground sanctuaries and catacombs of paleo-Christian Rome hidden beneath the city. All of this will help you to form your own accurate and imaginative understanding of things. Besides the regular classes and tours, Catholica will give you the opportunity to attend a few exclusive lectures on embracing the call to holiness and defending the Faith. These lectures will be delivered by two outstanding men who work in close vicinity to Pope Francis; His Eminence Cardinal Pell and His Excellency Archbishop DiNoia.

Your immersion experience would be futile without the spiritual life. Daily Mass and morning and evening prayers will nourish your determination to keep the first things first and deepen your own love for Christ and His Church. Every day you will kneel before the tombs of great Apostles and martyrs, and become personally and spiritually involved in their lives and their stories. You’ll also experience the great devotional life of the Roman people by participating in a Papal audience as well as different local processions and festivals in honor of the saints. Finally, a few weekend trips to Italy’s most beautiful towns and holy places will allow you to walk the streets of the birthplaces of St. Francis, St. Benedict and St. Catherine of Siena as well as witness two Eucharistic miracles!

On a final note: any summer program would be wanting without some adventure. That’s why we’ll go whitewater rafting, hiking and swimming in the mountains and streams of Italy. That’s why we’ll explore Rome on a Vespa, play against a local Roman soccer team and jump into the Mediterranean. And last but not least: the food. Every evening we’ll sit down and dine at a different Roman restaurant and experience the great culinary culture of the Italian people.
Regular Daily Schedule:

7:00 AM    Mass in St. Peter's Basilica
8:00 AM    Breakfast on Campus
9:00 AM    Christian Latin Class
10:00 AM   Break
10:15 AM   Church History
11:30 AM   Break
11:45 AM   Depart for Lunch
12:00 PM   Lunch
1:00 PM    Free Time - Extracurricular Activities***
3:00 PM    Depart for Tours OR Guest Lecturer
7:00 PM    Dinner
10:00 PM   Lights Out

***EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

• Soccer, Ultimate Frisbee, Running, Biking
• Music Lessons: Folk Music and Sacred Music
• Public Speaking: Poetry in the Piazzas

Students have free time every evening to call home. Phones will be available.

*PLEASE NOTE: The daily schedule is subject to change. A final schedule will be given to each student at orientation.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Catholica Summer Program is accepting applications for boys aged 14 - 17 (at time of program), or rising Freshman, Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors.

COST

$5995.00
$500.00 discount available if complete payment made by 01/13/2017
Cost does not include airfare. All other costs included.

APPLICATIONS:
catholicasummerprogram.com/sign-up-now/

DEADLINE

Applications and deposits for the program must be received or postmarked by:
Friday, January 17, 2017

SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS

Because there are a limited number of openings for the program, incomplete or late applications for the program and the scholarship will not be considered.

Applications may be submitted by mail, fax, or email.

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