

Catholica Summer Program

June 11 - 22, 2019



An Adventure in the Eternal City





Program Overview

WHO CAN ATTEND

Boys ages 14 - 18. We also accept five adult chaperones (men only) for a discounted price.

COST

Cost is \$3300.00 (includes round-trip airfare from JFK).

ABOUT

Catholica Summer Program is an adventure in the Eternal City. From the underground crypts and catacombs of the Eternal City to the beautiful forums, churches and basilicas, our boys get to see it all.

CHURCH HISTORY

Our boys learn all about the history of the Church, from the Persecutions to the Counter-Reformation.

DAILY MASS IN THE VATICAN

Each day begins with morning Mass in St. Peter's Basilica. Catholica program chaplains celebrate both the ordinary and extraordinary forms of the Mass for the boys.

SPORTS & MORE

We play a lot of sports such as soccer, frisbee and swimming. We also go hiking and kayaking in beautiful places outside of Rome, such as Assisi and the beautiful lake-town of Castel Gandolfo.



From the Director

Our goal is to help young men grow into confident Catholic gentlemen.

Every day our boys are immersed in the history of the Church. They hear the stories of the martyrs and imagine the trials that they endured. They visit their homes and venerate their relics - the arrows that pierced Sebastian - the grill that burnt Lawrence - the nails that pierced Christ. The Truth becomes real to our boys, and the Christian calling of self-sacrifice becomes visible and even desirable to them. Rome is a portal, a time-machine through which our boys become participants in Catholic history.

All of this is complemented by lots of fun. At Catholica we play a variety of sports such as soccer, Frisbee and basketball. We also go hiking, swimming and biking. Top this off with awesome day trips throughout Italy, and Catholica truly is a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Joseph Long
Director, ProRome



The Program Itinerary

Tuesday, June 11

Departure

The group flight Lufthansa Airlines
405 departs JFK at 9:55 PM.

Wednesday, June 12

Arrival and Orientation

Arrive at Rome FCO
Private bus to campus
Campus Orientation

Thursday, June 13

The Pillars of the Roman Church

St. Peter's Basilica & St. Paul
Outside the Walls
*Climb to the top of St. Peter's
Basilica*

Friday, June 14

Pagan Imperial Rome

Roman Forum, Colosseum &
the Circus Maximus
*Greco-Roman Games in
the Circus Maximus*

Saturday, June 15

The Blood of the Martyrs

The Catacombs of St. Sebastian
*Rome VS Carthage on the
Appian Way*

Sunday, June 16

Day Trip to Castel Gandolfo

Swimming in the the crater-lake
of Albano
Antony vs Octavian

Monday, June 17

The Holy Relics of Christ

St. Mary Major, The Holy Stairs,
The Lateran Basilica and Holy
Cross in Jerusalem

Tuesday, June 18

The Middle Ages

Trastevere & the Tiber Island
Tiber River Race

Wednesday, June 19

The Pope and the

*Renaissance Papal Audience
& The Vatican Museums &
Sistine Chapel*

Thursday, June 20

St. Francis of Assisi

Day Trip to Assisi & Hiking
in the Mountains

Friday, June 21

The Grandeur of Baroque

*Rome The Piazza Navona
The Pantheon
The Trevi Fountain
The Spanish Steps
Scavenger Hunt through
Rome*

Saturday, June 22

Group flight Lufthansa
Airlines 243 departs Rome,
FCO. After a short layover
in Frankfurt we arrive at
JFK at 1:40 PM.

Catholica Summer Program Rome Campus

The Guest House of Santa Maria alle Fornaci and the Trinitarian Fathers

Catholic

Instituted by the Trinitarian Fathers to accommodate pilgrims in Rome, this guest house has a beautiful baroque church just next door!

Great Location

We're *literally* a stone's throw from St. Peter's Square. Check out the map below!

Safe

The guesthouse has a 24/7 reception desk. No-one enters or exits without speaking with the receptionist.



*Adjacent Church of
Santa Maria alle Fornaci*

Comfortable

Each room is complete with 2 single beds, a private bathroom, A/C, WiFi and a telephone line.

Contact Information

Guest House
Santa Maria alle Fornaci
Piazza di Santa Maria
alle Fornaci, 27
00165 Rome

www.santamariafornaci.com
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Dining Room



Reception Hall



Classroom and Lecture Hall

"As the residence director of Catholica Summer Program, I am more than pleased with our campus at SM Fornaci.

We have an entire floor of the facility to ourselves, not to mention a really nice common area and classroom reserved solely for our group. The staff is very pleasant, easy to work with and fluent in English.

The boys are very safe here and enjoy it very much. Oh, and the location is amazing!"

-Robert Long, RD, Catholica '17, '18.



Our Location - A 3-minute Walk from St. Peter's Square

Catholica Summer Programs FAQs

When and how do I apply for and attend Catholica Summer Program?

Immediately. Contact us today and we send you a registration form to fill out and return.

May I speak with parents who have sent their children to a ProRome Tours summer program?

Absolutely. We have a list of parent ambassadors who have offered to speak with anyone considering this opportunity.

How does my son get there?

Catholica Summer Program offers a chaperoned group flight to and from Rome, Italy. The flight is on Lufthansa from JFK to FCO (Rome).



Is Italy safe? What happens if there is a threat or an attack of any sort?

Italy is safe. The American and Italian authorities are doing an excellent job of keeping Italians and their visitors safe and comfortable.

Catholica remains in close contact with the American embassy in Rome, who issues safety and security messages for Italy on their website found here: <https://it.usembassy.gov/u-s-citizen-services/security-and-travel-information/>.

In the case of an emergency, we will first ensure that all of our students are safe and able to communicate immediately with their parents. We will then follow the instructions of the local Italian and American authorities and make an informed decision on how to proceed.

Money is tight this year. Are there scholarships available?

We do not offer any scholarships however we do provide a comprehensive 6-page "Fundraising Guide" for those who would like to raise funds for Catholica Summer Program. Many of our students have successfully fundraised their way to Rome. Please inquire.

What if my son does not fly with the group?

Simply provide the arrival and departure information and Catholica staff will meet your son at arrivals in Rome, FCO and see him off at departures at Rome, FCO. NB - This service incurs an additional \$120.00 fee.

Is ProRome Tours insured? Also, is there travel insurance available?

Yes. We are fully insured with Travel Agents and Tour Operators Professional Liability Insurance through Zurich American Insurance Company. And yes, travel insurance can be purchased through ProRome Tours.

Can you tell me a little bit about the Catholica staff's qualifications?

Each staff member is a dedicated Catholic with a Bachelor of Arts from a Catholic institution. Each staff member and chaperone is CPR and AED certified. Each staff member and chaperone has undergone background checks and is Virtus ® certified.

Are classes designed for students of a certain skill-level? I am worried that my son will not be able to keep up.

Classes are designed so that each student can learn at his own level.

Will my son be safe at Catholica Summer Program?

At Catholica Summer Program, safety is our #1 priority. With a 1:5 staff to student ratio, our policy is 24/7 adult supervision. The only exception is campus, where our students can spend time together without adult supervision.

CATHOLICA SUMMER PROGRAM

SAVE YOUR SPOT
ONLY 25 SEATS
AVAILABLE

For inquiries or to request a registrations form please
contact Joe Long the program director:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Program Size

Catholica is capped at 25 participants.

Costs

The program cost is \$3300.00. This includes
round-trip airfare from JFK.

Payment

A \$300.00 non-refundable deposit check is due
along with the registration form. The remaining
balance will then be divided into two equal
installments. Checks should be made out to
"ProRome, LLC." We do not accept credit cards.

Payment Schedule

\$300.00 Deposit: Due with Registration
\$1500.00 Installment: Due January 25, 2019
\$1500.00 Installment: Due March 29, 2019

CHAPERONE POSITIONS AVAILABLE

We're looking for Catholic men to serve as
program chaperones. There are five chaperone
positions available. Chaperone applicants are
required to undergo a background check and
obtain Virtus ® certification.

The chaperone cost is \$2000.00.