

Forming the future of Catholic Tradition







n important apostolate of the priesthood is the Catholic formation of the youth, who are the future of every age of the Church. Thus the members of the Society of St. Pius X (its priests, seminarians, religious brothers and sisters) make great efforts every summer to ensure the the youth have the opportunity to attend camps for this purpose. The camps are well-planned and have been enormously enjoyed by both the boys and girls who attend them. This year being no exception, we present here a photo essay of a few of the recently-held SSPX summer camps.

St. John Bosco Midwest Boys Camp

July 24-Aug 8

Camp Tamarck, Waupaca, WI

158 boys, ages 8-15 Hosted by: St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary Theme: *Victoria in Virtute!*

A group shot of the Midwest Boys Camp led by seminary professor, Fr. Patrick Abbet, several priests and seminarians, many of whom are wearing military style hats to reinforce the camp's theme that spiritual combat must be waged!



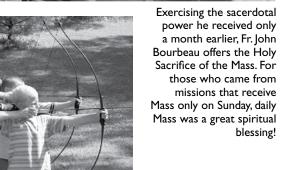




Canoeing peacefully on the water, a skill that takes team work. Other unique games were held that required team-efforts further reinforcing this virtue.

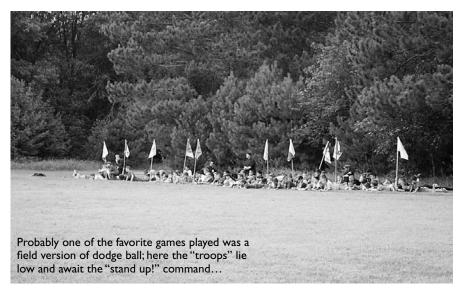








Rather symbolically in the rain, a young camper avails himself of the cleansing redemptive power of the Sacrament of Penance.





...then rush the line to retrieve the dodge balls as quickly as possible without getting hit!

Another view shows the intensity the boys put into the game!





At the heart of the camp was Our Lady of Fatima....



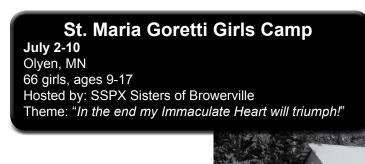
...to whom they made a night vigil at the beautifully torch lit shrine put up in her honor. Surrounding the tent are the various regimental flags, as well as the American and Papal flags.



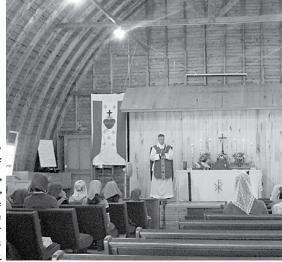
The boys sing at a retirement home, learning the corporal act of mercy, to visit the sick, as well as the importance of having respect for the elderly who are important transmitters of tradition and life's lessons gained only by the passing of years.



An excellent picture of Church Militant; out in force and on the move!



A group shot of the sisters, counselors and girls who came from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Kansas, Missouri, Michigan, South Dakota, Pennsylvania, Illinois and even Alaska!



During a daily
Mass, one of
camp's chaplains,
Fr. Christopher Leith,
gives an instructive
sermon to the
girls. The other
chaplain was
Fr. Christopher Darby.



The sisters kept the girls busy with many activities such as crafts, making pencil holders and paper flowers, and baking sessions. Here a sister shows some of the girls how to arrange dried flower bouquets.





The happy team of Society sisters who hosted the girls camp with the help of six counselors and four cooks.

For the first time, the sisters were able to host the camp close to the Sacred Heart Novitiate, allowing the girls to attend High Mass, and later Vespers, in the beautiful convent chapel. At the sedilia is Dominican priest, Fr. Albert. In between the divine services, the girls enjoyed a picnic and a big game.

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And what would be a camp without singing around a campfire? Other standard camp fare included hiking, skits, games, folk dancing and a must for Catholics... catechism lessons to deepen one's faith!



Perhaps this picture of the smiling and waving girls on a wagon ride to a local milk farm confirms what the sisters wrote about the camp: "It was a great success. The girls had a wonderful time."

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ROLLER RINK

Stella Maris Girls Camp

July 27-Aug 6

Camp Olmstead, Warren, PA

68 girls, ages 13-18

Hosted by: Fr. Gerard Beck (District Superintendent of Schools)

Theme: Sacred Heart of Jesus

Annually held for several years, in front of the rink.

a Stella Maris camp tradition is enjoying a roller skating rink all to themselves. Here the campers pose for a group shot

The Sacred Heart was this year's theme, so each daily conference, catechism lesson, and sermon revolved around this devotion, a source and model of the gentle strength to which girls are called to both by their baptism and feminine vocation.





The campers were grouped into six teams, and each had to present a major skit on a fairy tale theme; here, a rather spoiled princess is not thrilled with the prince who will eventually win her heart. The camp counselors also gave an unforgettable rendition of Rumpelstiltskin that had everyone laughing uproariously.

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A cookout and volleyball game overlooking the scenic Allegheny Reservoir. Other activities included singing (even during chores), games, swimming, and...



...archery. Like many things, the girls discovered that it's harder than it looks!



Another camp tradition (and the favorite of a good many of the girls), folk dancing called by Mr. John Meluch, a parishioner from the Girard parish who drives over three hours one way each year to treat the girls.

Having laid their roses at the feet of the Blessed Mother, two girls make their offering to Our Lady and her Son at the outdoor shrine.



As dusk fell on the final night of the camp, the girls held a touching procession to an outdoor shrine prepared in honor of Our Lady. Each girl carried a lighted candle and rose, respectively evoking her determination to be a light in the darkness and as a personal token of her love, devotion and offering to Mary and her Son.

Catholic Cadets of America Camp

August 3 – 13 Swan Lake, Harrison, Id. 45 boys, ages 8-16 Hosted by Immaculate Conception Church Theme: American Martyrs

The Catholic Cadets of America is a group for boys that began at Immaculate Conception Church, Post Falls last fall. Inspired by true Catholic principles and based on the Scouting method, their main activity is sailing. Divided into crews of 8 boys, aged 8 to 16, they learn to live as a family under the direction of a crew leader. Not only during the camp, but all year long, they meet for regular activities. Of the 80 regular participants, 45 came to this first camp at Harrison County, Idaho. After going down the Coeur d'Alene River and across Swan Lake, the boys arrived to a private property where they pitched their tents around the chapel, the mast for their 10-day adventure. Thanks to the generosity and help of 3 seminarians and 6 assistants, this first camp was a success; the 15th one for Fr. de l'Estourbeillon, the founder of the group.



Catholic Cadets of America is a year-round group in which the members wear a uniform for important events and formations. Based on the sea-scouting spirit, the boys are divided into crews which are the base cells of the organization. Each crew lives as a family, with its area, its tent, its kitchen and table, its oratory.

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The boys had daily Mass with a sermon. The Rosary was prayed in common or by the individual crew. Every day a virtue was chosen and a resolution taken to practice it, with the three main ones being loyalty, generosity and purity.



During the last night of the camp, some the participants were invited to pronounce their pledge. After having received the blessing from the Chaplain (Fr. Duverger), in the presence of the Camp Director (Fr. de l'Estourbeillon), they promised to be faithful to the Church, to their Country and to serve in the Cadets.

"Olympic games", (here the cart running) is a very traditional activity during any Cadet camp. Most of the activities are crew competitions, which instill in the boys the idea of sacrificing for the common good and also give them an opportunity to practice leadership and fraternal charity.



Every day, the 4 sail boats were used. The Cadets are instructed in the techniques of this discipline throughout the year. During the games, the boats become their habitual mode of transportation, more or less quick according to the wind and skills of the crew...





A campfire, which was at the same time both entertaining and formative, concluded each day. The boys performed songs and mimes and before the night prayer, the story of a Saint was told to illustrate the virtue which they were to focus on during the next day. Everyone then retired to their tents following the singing of the Cadet Song to Our Lady.

Our Lady of Fatima Correspondence Catechism

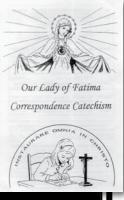
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MONTHLY INTENTIONS

October: The missions and the

conversion of the pagans

November: The souls in purgatory and

the grace of a good death

December: The desire for heaven and the

hope of life everlasting

U.S. DISTRICT TREASURE (July 2010)

| Daily Offering | 7,671 |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Masses | 2,756 |
| Sacramental Communions | 2,699 |
| Spiritual Communions | 6,730 |
| Sacrifices | 20,293 |
| Decades of the Rosary | 36,314 |
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