

Camp Quo Vadis

NCDVD 2020

Camp Quo Vadis Background

- Founded on Long Island summer 2017 by Bishop John Barres
- Hosted by Seminary of the Immaculate Conception
- Sunday-Friday Co-ed Sleep-Away Camp
- Grades 8-12
- 100-120 Campers
- 30-50 Volunteers
 - Seminarians
 - Sisters
 - Discerners/ College students
- Small Staff

First Steps

- Schedule
 - Bishop, Location, Campers, Team, Diocesan partners
- Campers
 - Age, Gender, ratio
- Location
 - Amenities, food, security, cost
- Rooming
 - Set the numbers
 - Do not fill every room

Forming the Team

- Who
 - Seminararians
 - Sisters
 - Volunteers
- Where to find volunteers
 - Youth Minister, Campus Minister, Priests, Online
- Application
 - Get all the information you need and want
- Training
 - Virtus, Youth Ministry, Team building
 - Assume nothing, explain everything
 - Seminararian Specific
- Daily Holy Hour

Campers

- Who
 - 8-12 Male/Female
- Where to find them
 - Events, Priests, Ministers, Schools, Invitation,
- Registration
 - Website
 - Show value of cost
 - Get your information
 - Parents
- How to Engage them
 - Social media
- Cell Phones
- Know where their coming from

Tuesday July 9

Time	Event	Location	Notes
7:00 AM	Holy Hour/ Morning Meeting (Staff)	Crpyt Chapel	
8:00 AM	Wake Up/ Breakfast	Dining Room	
9:00 AM	Morning Prayer	Chapel	
9:30 AM	Vocations talks		Sister of Life Fr. Sean Magaldi
10:00 AM	Landscaping Project/ Hike	Boys: South Trail. Girls: Dock Trail	
12:00 PM	Lunch	Dining Room	
1:00 PM	Organized sports	Back Field	
2:30 PM	Shower/ Rest		Hospitality Open: Room 221
3:45 PM	Evening Prayer	Chapel	Preach Main Celebrant
4:00 PM	Mass	Chapel	Fr. Jose Diaz Fr. Alex Turpin
5:00 PM	Lawn Games	Rose Garden	
6:00 PM	Dinner	Dining Room	
7:00 PM	Modesty Talk	Cloister (split)	Sister of Life Fr. Christopher Sullivan
8:00 PM	Adoration/ Confession	Chapel	Fr. Cody will expose
	How to pray at holy hour		Sister of Life - Prior to Exposition
9:00 PM	Small Group Discussion/ Night Prayer		
9:15 PM	Free Time	Pinic Site	Bonfire with S'mores
10:30 PM	Lights Out		Hospitality Open: Room 221

Talks

- Parent Talk
 - How to participate – livestream, mass, confession
 - Q&A
 - “My child is discerning...now what?”
- Catholic catch-up
 - “If you had one week with a discerner”
 - “Everything you wish you knew”
 - “What’s keeping him/her from entering?”
- General
 - Keynotes, marriage, sacraments
- Gender Specific
 - Vocation, Modesty, next steps in discerning
- Choose your own
 - A morning with multiple options
- Speakers
 - Priests, religious, laity

Liturgies

- Liturgy
 - The most important part of the camp
 - Make sure its not just “fit in”
 - Office, Mass, Confession, Adoration
- Recognize where they are coming from
 - Usually the only kid at mass
 - Typical parish music
 - Typical preaching
 - Typical catechesis
- Healthy beauty - stretch them
- 5min Liturgical Catechesis

Liturgies cont.

- Modesty/ Church clothes
- Explain the role of silence
 - Before mass- intention
 - Interior – during mass
 - After mass. – thanksgiving
- Beauty
 - Simple chant
- Guest Celebrants and Preachers
 - Let campers see different faces, and hear different voices
 - Know your brother's strengths
 - They do not all need to be young and cool
 - Different personalities for different kids
 - Anyone can concelebrate

Liturgies cont.

- Liturgy of the Hours
 - Begin in silence
- Adoration
 - Explain how to pray
 - Mixture of silence and music
- Confession
 - Teach how to make a good confession
 - Make it easy to go
 - Be aware of surroundings

Fun

- Include plenty of time for fun and recreation
 - Organized sports and activities
- Free time
 - Think bbq games – allows for casual conversations
 - Great time for brother priests to visit
- Youth Ministry (an apologetic for Youth Ministry)
 - Mini Retreat
 - Messy Olympics
 - Use your diocesan youth ministers
- Cell Phone/ Quiet Time
 - Let kids call parents
 - Give volunteers a break
- Volunteer
 - Hospitality room – set times
 - Late night pizza

Follow-Up Data

- Altar Call
 - For yourself
 - For a friend
- Surveys
 - The info you actually need
 - The info they want to share
- Next Events
 - Win, Build, Send
 - Something to reunite and bring friends
- Time with cell phones
 - Let kids share numbers with each other/ keep new friends
- Counselor Feedback
 - About kids
 - About volunteers
- Pool of Candidates
 - Volunteers and campers
 - Vocations or diocesan positions