

Dear Parents and Campers,

Our staff is preparing Camp Veritas Ireland for your children with the goal of making camp this summer a life-changing experience. We are already feeling the excitement!

Dates: June 24 - 29, 2024

<u>Location</u>: Clongowes Woods College, Castlebrown, Clane, Co. Kildare, W91 DN40, Ireland.

Arrival: MONDAY, June 24th 3:00pm. Following registration and check-in there will be orientation at approximately 4:00 PM that we ask all parents to stay for.

Departure: The camp will end on June 29th after a **10:00am Mass** for campers AND parents which you are welcome and encouraged to attend. Dismissal will follow Mass at approximately 11:15-11:30AM. Be sure to collect any medications from the medical team upon departure.

Registration: There will be signs and volunteers to guide you to registration, please follow their directions for as smooth a check-in process as possible.

FORMS Online: You should download from the forms and documents section of your <u>Camp-In-Touch Account</u> the following information: camper <u>packing list</u>, additional camp <u>policies</u>, and camp <u>rules</u>.

- Please take special note of our dress code noted on the camp rules (we specifically ask that no one bring crop tops which are so popular this Summer).
- "Health History" form under your forms tab. <u>This needs to be filled out as soon as possible so our medical team can prepare for your arrival</u>.
- **Financial:** please try to complete the financial payments in the Camp-In-Touch account at least two weeks in advance of camp, we are trying to limit the number of transactions we need to make that day. If it is your only option, please pre-arrange with us to make payment on the first day of camp, the cost in cash or cheque is \$500 or 450 euros. Cheques must be made out to Camp Veritas CLG with the camper name in the memo section.

*You can reply to this email requesting the bank details for EFT transfers.

<u>Mass Specifics:</u> The camp concludes on Saturday morning, July 1st, following our "sending forth" Mass which starts at 10:00 a.m. Parents *are invited and encouraged* to attend this Mass with the campers, volunteers will be there to guide you as you arrive. We are excited to share that Bishop Alphonsus Cullinan will be concelebrating the Closing Mass!

Due to safe environment regulations, **parents will not be able to go to the rooms of the campers**. Dismissal will be at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Packing tips: Please remember that the camp will not be supplying bathroom supplies (except toilet paper). Linens will be provided by the facility. Pack a rosary if you have one.

Cell phones and all other electronics including iPods, iPhones, iPads, DS's, reading tablets, etc. for campers are PROHIBITED. Many volunteers will have cell phones and the campers will be able to use them for emergencies. We will discuss this at length during orientation.

Medications: should be clearly labeled with your child's name and instructions for use in the original container and in a marked Ziploc bag. There will be a nursing table at registration for delivery of these medications (including ANY over-the counter medications such as vitamins) and for clarification of any necessary medical instructions with our registered nursing staff. The children are not allowed to self-administer medications at any time for any reason, with the exception of asthma inhalers, insulin or Epipens.

Phone numbers to know: PLEASE NOTE THAT CELL SERVICE IS LIMITED AT CLONGOWES. The most reliable way to reach us is by email at carolinemccamley@gmail.com. The regular and emergency phone numbers for the Camp itself are found on our website within the "Contact Us" tab, and are also included here. Take note of the specific cell phone rules for campers in the camper rules. Emergent communication will always be possible through the Camp administration, nursing staff, and volunteers. To reach our parent liaison during the camp week to check on or relay information to your camper, please call Caroline McCamley (+35 386 357 3502)

If there is an emergency, to reach a member of the Camp Veritas core staff, the 24-hour emergency phone is +001-845-416-1582. Once again, please note that the cell service is NOT reliable at Clongowes.

If you have additional questions or comments, you can reply to this e-mail or send a message directly to admin2@campveritas.com.

Our volunteer and religious staff at Camp Veritas are excited about providing each camper with an opportunity for a fun-filled, life-changing experience. We look forward to seeing you at the foot of the Cross!!

God Bless you all!

Your Brother in Christ,

Ryan and Elizabeth Young

Founders and Directors of Camp Veritas