



AUGUST 8TH – AUGUST 14TH, 2016 SUMMER MUSIC & CHOIR CAMP!

With The Golden Gate Boys Choir & Bellringers

Join the Golden Gate Boys Choir & Bellringers this summer for a fun week of music classes, vocal training, new friendships, and exciting outdoor activities! There is no previous music or vocal experience necessary... just a willingness to sing and have fun! Contact us for a camp application and more information!



Take Classes in Music Theory, Develop Sight Singing Skills, & Get Expert Vocal Coaching to Develop Your Singing Voice!

Enjoy Supervised Swimming, Archery, Zip Lining and Horse Care with Experienced Staff!

Make New Friends During Skit Nights, Campfires, Outdoor Games and Movie Nights!



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The GATEWAY

2016 SPRING / SUMMER EDITION



Assisi, Italy
January 2016

L'abbiamo fatto! We did it!! With hard work, determination, and much planning; a year of successful fundraisers; Mr. Meyer's continuous leadership and guidance; welcomed donors who stepped in; support from parents, families, and the GGBC Board; Bray's very capable assistance; our amazing Polish tour guide, Agnieszka who was always there; Father Piero putting everyone and everything in place for us in the mountain town of Serrone, it all came together!

We actually went, had a successful tour, and came back~ quite tired, but happy. And, Mrs. Torrey even learned how to walk "in formation" through the streets of Rome.

There were many highlights to this tour:

* Our guided walking tour through the different parts of the Roman Coliseum, and learning how life at the Coliseum in those ancient days was so very different from today.

* Our night walk through the Sistine Chapel to view the beautiful and incredible art, indeed a privilege.

* The Saint Benedict Monastery at Subiaco, near Serrone, that we climbed up to that was carved out of rock, and made of rock itself. On the inside was beautiful art painted on the walls by the monks. And, while it was quite cold outside, it was much warmer inside. Modern technology in the making, no less. Walking through this place easily brought us back centuries.

* The amazing Catacombs of Saint Callistus.

* And, always a favorite, the Street Sweepers Nativity display in Rome~ a miniature reproduction of the Nativity and all the area surrounding it, made by hand by the sanitation workers of Rome out of real garbage. They make and add a new piece each year. Always a must-see stop for the GGBC.

* Getting up early on January 1, way before the sun, and being the second choir in line to enter Saint Peter's Basilica through the Holy Door, which is opened only sometimes.

* Rehearsing and singing for the Pope, while surrounded by a sea of other choirs from other countries.