



St Peter's Square

Why INTER GENTES?

The sabbatical has an intentional focus on mission and interculturality, referring to the experience of community living, and life and ministry among people from different ethnic backgrounds, genders, nationalities and age groups - thus the name *Inter Gentes*. Women and men religious, and diocesan priests may consider the *Inter Gentes* Sabbatical Program as a transitional time to review and renew their commitment to the mission of God in this ever-diversifying world.



Lake Nemi



Adoration Chapel, CAG

What does a day look like in Nemi?

Liturgies of prayer and Eucharist give form to each working day, along with three input sessions (two morning & one afternoon) and a long post-lunch break for reading, resting, meditating or exercising. Professional and experienced presenters provide 2 – 4 days input on significant themes for mission. Small and large group sharing forums conclude most of the themes.

Specific Themes of the Sabbatical

- *The Inner Journey*
- *Jesus and the Gospels*
- *Prayer for Mission*
- *Interculturality*
- *Vows and Promises: Alive with the Spirit*
- *Women and Men together in Mission*
- *Biblical Vision of Humanity and Creation*
- *Mission as Prophetic Dialogue*
- *The Refugee Story: Yesterday & Today*
- *Inter-religious Dialogue*
- *Integrity of Creation*
- *Professional Standards*
- *8-day guided retreat in silence*



Colosseum

And other activities...

The sabbatical includes six Sunday bus trips to Rome to visit basilicas, shrines, markets and museums. We attend a papal audience and arrange bus trips to Pompeii, Naples, Subiaco and Assisi (included in cost).

Centro Ad Gentes (CAG) takes its name from the "Ad Gentes" document (1965) of the Second Vatican Council which was drafted here. The house was originally built in the 1960s for formation and renewal of Divine Word Missionaries from around the world. St. Arnold Janssen (1837 -1909), founder of the Society of the Divine Word, believed it would be beneficial for missionaries to dedicate time for spiritual renewal after some years of missionary service. The first course took place here in 1962. CAG is 35 kilometers from Rome and close to the historical and picturesque town of Nemi, in the Alban Hills. It is located 600 meters above sea level and enjoys a fresh climate and a panoramic view that reaches the Tyrrhenian Sea. It boasts great forests of



chestnuts, spruces and pines as well as wild squirrels. CAG is an ideal place for gatherings, retreats, prayer, and contemplation.

- Transport service to & from airports
- Private rooms with en-suite facilities
- Ten minute walk to historical Nemi
- Walking tracks around the property
- Gym for fitness & exercise classes
 - Visit to the Catacombs

Costs and Scholarships: The *Inter Gentes* sabbatical costs €6,500. A limited number of partial scholarships are available under special circumstances. The minimum number of participants is set at 20. Invitation letters for visa applications will be supplied upon request.

The deadline for all applications is 11 September 2017



Trevi Fountain

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens (Eccl. 3:1)

Perhaps it is your time to come to the *Inter Gentes* Sabbatical Program in Nemi.

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Centro Ad Gentes, Nemi (Italy)

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