

# Camp St. Joseph, 2015

## Camper Code of Conduct

The purpose of the Camp is to train Christian Gentlemen. Therefore, the Campers are expected at all times to be respectful to God, the Sacred Liturgy, camp leaders, fellow campers and themselves. Minor infractions will be punished with push-ups or similar. Major infractions will result in calling the parents and immediate dismissal.

In particular:

1. The prevailing attitude of the campers must be gratitude. Their participation in the Camp St. Joseph is a privilege. Therefore they will *cheerfully* apply themselves to all scheduled activities.
2. Boys must obey the instructions, decisions or judgments of camp leaders. This obedience must be prompt and respectful, without grumbling, back-talk, or excessive questioning. Obeying an instruction with grumbling is equal to disobedience.
3. Boys must stay with their team or the larger group always, unless explicit permission from a leader is given otherwise. No camper is to wonder off alone, at any time.
4. Boys must be respectful of others at all times: in attitude, in speech, and in act. This applies *especially* to those who are younger or smaller than ourselves. For instance, mean-spirited teasing, vulgar language, crude jokes, or disturbances after lights out.
5. If a boy threatens another with maltreatment, and if this threat is understood to be serious, it can be just as harmful. Serious threats are themselves disrespectful, and therefore, punishable behavior.
6. A gentleman looks after the needs of others before his own needs. Campers must strive to be gentlemen. This applies especially to Altar Boy training.
7. Conflict in a group is inevitable. Our reaction to conflict is either constructive (we learn from it) and make the group better, or destructive (we play the victim, or Mr. Righteous) and the group is worse off. All must be humble about being corrected, and humble in the necessary correction of others.

I have read, understood and accept these requirements of the Camper Code of Conduct.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_