You're invited
to a formative experience like no other.

CHA's Ecclesiology and Spiritual Renewal Program for Health Care Leaders

MAY 1–6, 2022
Please join us at CHA’s annual Ecclesiology and Spiritual Renewal Program for Health Care Leaders, May 1 – 6, 2022, in Rome and Assisi. This important formation experience is a week-long learning and renewal program for leaders of Catholic health care that is like no other because of the gathering from across our ministry.

I encourage you to consider this program for yourself and for the executive and governance leaders of your organization.

This program offers an opportunity for us to experience the broader perspective of our health care ministry and to realize the worldwide nature of the Church’s work — an important perspective as we leaders are at times in communication with various congregations of the Holy See.

While it is our hope this program will take place in 2022, CHA regards the safety of our members and our staff as its first priority. CHA will continue to monitor the coronavirus pandemic and follow the guidelines set by the CDC and U.S. Department of State regarding travel to Italy. If the program needs to be cancelled due to a new surge in COVID or other safety concerns, CHA will inform all participants immediately and registration fees will be refunded.

The deadline for registration is November 12, 2021 and the number of participants is generally limited to about 50. Be sure to read the remainder of this invitation for additional details, and share it with all those whom you will be inviting to participate. I hope you will join us for this wonderful experience that connects our ministry to that of the universal Church.

Sincerely,

Sr. Mary Haddad, RSM
President and Chief Executive Officer

Our Program Includes:

- Meetings with Vatican leaders at:
  - Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith
  - Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development
  - Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life

- A general Papal Audience in St. Peter’s Square
- Tentative private tour of the Sistine Chapel and Vatican Museum
- Celebrations of the Eucharist and personal reflection exercises
- A one-day pilgrimage to nearby Assisi, the home of Saints Francis and Clare
- Formative presentations by CHA staff highlighting:
  - Responding to the call to lead in Catholic health care
  - Personal spirituality
  - Workings of the Holy See
- A commissioning ceremony for participants

“I feel challenged to continue to explore the questions posed and to strive to integrate my spirituality and call into my day-to-day health care ministry.”

— Past Participant
**Tentative Program Highlights**

Program content, presenters and times are approximate and subject to change.

**SUNDAY, MAY 1**
2:00 – 9:00 P.M.

- Welcome and Orientation, for Registered Participants and Registered Guests
- Opening Eucharist
- Opening Session, for Registered Participants
- Reception and Dinner, for Registered Participants and Registered Guests

**MONDAY, MAY 2**
7:00 A.M. – 9:00 P.M.

- Buffet Breakfast
- Morning Sessions, for Registered Participants
- Buffet lunch, for Registered Participants and Registered Guests
- Afternoon Session, for Registered Participants
- Off-site Dinner, for Registered Participants and Registered Guests

**TUESDAY, MAY 3**
6:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.

- Assisi Pilgrimage with Boxed Breakfast, for Registered Participants and Registered Guests
- Lunch and free time in Assisi on Your Own
- Enjoy Dinner and an Evening on Your Own

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 4**
5:30 A.M. – 9:00 P.M.

- Buffet Breakfast
- Papal General Audience, for Registered Participants and Registered Guests

**THURSDAY, MAY 5**
5:30 A.M. – 9:30 P.M.

- Buffet breakfast
- Mass at St. Peter’s Basilica, for Registered Participants and Registered Guests
- Meetings with Dicastery Officials, for Registered Participants
- Enjoy Lunch on Own and Afternoon Free Time (approx. Noon – 6:00 p.m.)
- Offsite Reception and Dinner, for Registered Participants and Registered Guests

**FRIDAY, MAY 6**
7:00 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.

- Buffet Breakfast
- Closing Session, for Registered Participants
- Prayer Service and Commissioning, for Registered Participants and Registered Guests
- Closing Luncheon, for Registered Participants and Registered Guests
- Optional Tours

**PHYSICAL ACTIVITY RATING GUIDE**

**LEISURELY**
- Easy pace, little walking and stair climbing.

**MODERATE**
- Moderate pace, greater distances covered, walking over uneven surfaces, stair climbing, embarking and disembarking Motor Coaches.

**CHALLENGING**
- Vigorous pace, frequent movement, extensive walking over uneven surfaces, hiking, stair climbing, embarking and disembarking Motor Coaches.

“I loved the program presentations and meetings with Vatican leaders that fleshed out our roles as leaders of Catholic ministries. The insights and information I gained during our week-long retreat are transforming my path. I was inspired beyond my expectations and believe that this program is one of the most highly formative experiences of my life.”

— PAST PARTICIPANT
EXPERIENCE THE BROADER, WORLDWIDE PERSPECTIVE OF OUR HEALTH CARE MINISTRY.
**Program Costs for Participants and Guests**

**PARTICIPANTS:**
For participants, the cost of this program is $9,000.

The complete package for participants includes:
- Seven nights at the Westin Excelsior (including American buffet breakfast, service charges and tax). Those seven nights are: April 30, and May 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6
- Seven breakfasts, two lunches and four dinners
- Motor coach transportation in Rome, dicastery visits, papal audience and St. Peter’s Basilica
- Motor coach transportation to/from Assisi
- Transport to/from airport or train station
- All workshop materials

**REGISERED GUESTS:**
The cost for a registered guest rooming with a participant includes:
- The complete package for a registered guest rooming with a participant will be on his or her own. This includes getting themselves to/from the airport and all meals. Your guest will not be registered to attend any off-site events (i.e., papal audience, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter’s Basilica, day in Assisi).

**CANCELLATION FROM THE PROGRAM**
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**CANCELLATION OF SLEEP ROOMS**
Many participants choose to arrive early or depart several days after the program. CHA is happy to make reservations for additional nights of stay at the program hotel. However, once those reservations are made, should you need to make any modifications, please do so on/before March 25, 2022. Any rooms that are cancelled after March 25 will be charged to the registrant at the CHA contracted room rate. CHA will bill the registrant directly for these cancelled room nights approximately six weeks after the program concludes.

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**Registration Process for Participants and Registered Guests**
Registations are now being accepted for the 2022 program. To register, please call Adele Gianino at (314) 253-3443 or Dee Walsh, CHA meeting planner, at (314) 253-3439. Please leave a voicemail if she is unavailable.

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- The deadline to register is November 12, 2021, however, because of the popularity of this program, we suggest you make your plans and register as soon as possible.
- Once the 50 spots have been filled, CHA will compile a wait-list.

**Important Passport Information**
While not required at the time of registration, a passport number and exact name included on the passport, or a copy of the application for a passport for those who do not yet have one, will be required soon after registration. For those who do not yet have a passport or need to renew — participants or guests — please note that there is a 10 – 12 week wait for application and receipt.

Please note: your passport must be valid for at least three months beyond your planned return date from the European Union.

More information is available about obtaining a passport at www.travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html.

**Important COVID Information:**
Please note that travel requirements to Italy and other countries in the European Union is fluid. It is highly recommended that all Registered Participants and Guests be fully vaccinated for the coronavirus. Currently, Italy is requiring proof of vaccination or a negative coronavirus test prior to entering the country. Masks are still required for indoor settings.

We highly recommend that participants and guests stay informed by following the guidelines for Italy which can be found on two helpful websites:
- US Embassy & Consulates in Italy:
  https://it.usembassy.gov
- U.S. Department of State:
  https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Italy.html

Please note that if you plan additional travel to other countries in the EU before or after the CHA program, the COVID guidelines may vary.

Complete program information is available at:
www.chausa.org/rome-program
**WHAT TO EXPECT AFTER REGISTRATION**

### December 2021

**+ Invoices Mailed**

In mid-December, CHA will mail each contact person an invoice. It will include a listing of all attendees—participants and registered guests—and the payment amounts for each individual. Payment should be received by January 24, 2022, in order to confirm registration.

**+ Request for Participant and Registered Guest Items**

Along with sending payment invoices, CHA will also at this time, make a request for several items required by CHA no later than February 25, 2022. They include:

- A (head and shoulders) photo (jpeg) of each participant, as well as final contact information and titles for all registrants
- A copy of each participant and registered guest’s passport – the opening page with name, and passport number
- A copy of travel itineraries for each participant and registered guest in order to coordinate transport to/from airport or train station
- CHA will provide all materials in a print version. An electronic format will also be sent for those who prefer to use a tablet or e-reader.

### January 2022

**+ Registration Fees Due**

Registration fees are due on January 24. If payment is not received by this date, registration will be forfeited unless prior arrangements have been made. Contact Adele Gianino or Dee Walsh regarding payments.

### February 2022

**+ Participant Photos and Participant and Registered Guest Passport Information and Itineraries due on February 25**

### March & April 2022

**+ Program Materials Available**

**MARCH 18**

CHA will mail hard copies and provide access to electronic program materials.

**+ Webinar: Know Before You Go**

**APRIL 1, 2022, 1:00 – 2:00 P.M. ET**

This webinar will offer information about the program that will help all attending better understand and prepare for the week of activities. It is very important that everyone who is traveling to Rome attend.

**LOGISTICS**

### Hotel

The program hotel is moving in 2022!

We are thrilled to host you at The Westin Excelsior, Rome.

**The hotel is:**

+ Rich in history and located on one of the most celebrated and talked about streets of Rome
+ Close to Rome’s main attractions: the legendary Via Veneto, nestled between the Spanish Steps and the Borghese Gardens Gallery

A CHA master account has been established to cover room and tax for the nights of April 30 and May 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. You will be responsible for any additional nights and all incidentals, which must be settled upon checkout.

**THE WESTIN EXCELSIOR, ROME**

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www.marriott.com/hotels/hotel-information/romwi-the-westin-excelsior-rome/

### Airport Transportation

In order to arrange airport transfers, we must have your itinerary showing airline(s), flight numbers, and arrival and departure dates and times. Please submit this itinerary using the form that will be distributed to you in January:

A representative of Fourth Dimension Italy, our destination management company, will be meeting you at Rome’s Fiumicino Airport. You will then be transferred to the Westin Excelsior.

### Pre- or Post-program Travel Needs

Should you require pre- or post-program travel needs, contact American Express Corporate Vacations. AMEX Corporate Vacations offers a wide selection of vacation packages and experienced leisure travel specialists who are trained to help you plan a trip best suited to your taste and budget.

We encourage you to utilize this service before you start your travel to Italy.

For pre- or post-program travel, contact:

**WENDY RIGGALL**
wendy.riggall@travelink.com
(800) 851-8233 ext. 2006

OR **TRACI CONWAY**
traci.conway@travelink.com
(800) 851-8233 ext. 2456

The hours of operation are 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday. There are processing fees involved with travel planning, and fees will be disclosed at the beginning of your conversation. AMEX Corporate Vacations can also assist those who are Platinum AMEX card holders.

### Air Travel

For air travel only, please call CHA’s travel provider, American Express, at (314) 253-3442, or email your request to travel@chausa.org and identify yourself as a CHA Ecclesiology participant. Participants are responsible for all air travel. For any additional travel questions or information, contact:

**ADELE GIANINO**
Director, Meetings and Travel
(314) 253-3443
agianino@chausa.org

**OR**

**DEE WALSH**
Meeting Planner
(314) 253-3439
dwalsh@chausa.org

For additional information about the programs, please contact Brian Smith, CHA vice president of sponsorship and mission services, at (314) 253-3503 or bsmit@chausa.org. For information about travel, registration and other details, please contact Adele Gianino, CHA director of meetings and travel, at (314) 253-3443, agianino@chausa.org or Dee Walsh, CHA meeting planner, at (314) 253-3439, dwalsh@chausa.org.
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