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A Journey begins

On the afternoon of August 2, the Team USA – Federal Association's delegation officially began its International Malta Camp 2026 adventure, departing from Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD) with excitement, anticipation, and grateful hearts. Our delegation of 30 members (guests, volunteers, clergy, and leaders) set out for Spain, eager to experience a week of faith, fellowship, and service alongside young people from around the world.

The transatlantic flight passed smoothly, and before long they arrived in Madrid, where their journey continued by bus to Javier. Along the way, they paused for sandwiches before completing the final stretch to destination.



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As the Team USA - Federal Association arrived in Javier, they were met with the warm hospitality for which our Spanish hosts are already becoming known. Our President Ernie Bono, the Executive Director Deacon Michael Stankewicz, Father Luke Millette, our volunteers, and our guests received a heartfelt welcome, complete with refreshing cold lemonade after a long day of travel. Team USA - Federal Association settled comfortably into a beautiful Jesuit retreat house, their home for the week, and had time to freshen up before gathering for the first Mass together in Spain.



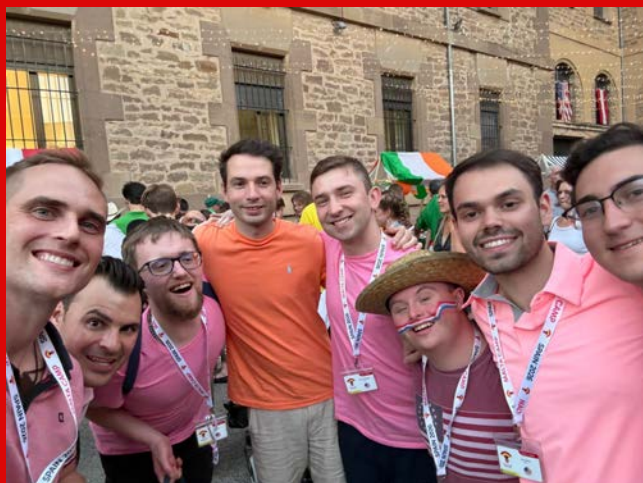
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Following Mass, everyone enjoyed dinner before taking part in La Feria, the first evening celebration. The festive atmosphere came alive with lively Spanish music, dancing, and laughter. The women embraced the local tradition in vibrant red flamenco dresses, while the men wore light linen attire, creating a colorful and joyful evening that helped everyone relax and begin forming new friendships.

As the first day came to a close, our delegation reflected with gratitude on this incredible opportunity the Lord has given us. International Malta Camp is already proving to be much more than a trip: it is an opportunity to grow in faith, deepen friendships, and live out the charism of the Order of Malta through joyful service and authentic community.

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Day 2 - Official Opening of the 41st International Camp

The first full day at International Malta Camp began bright and early with breakfast before an unforgettable morning of official opening events.

Following breakfast, Team USA - Federal Association

welcoming reception that included the Duke of Cantabria and other representatives of the Spanish royal family.

The sense of occasion continued during the Opening Mass, where campers from across the world gathered in prayer to begin the week together. The participants were honored to hear a special message of welcome from the Holy Father, reminding everyone of the importance of faith, service, and fraternity among the young people of the Order of Malta. The Grand Commander, His Excellency Fra' Emmanuel Rousseau, was also present for the celebration.



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Our beloved Guests answering the Call to Serve



Team USA – Federal Association was especially proud to have members of our delegation actively serving during the liturgy, with one of our guests, Michael, serving at the altar and another, Conor, proclaiming the readings. It was a meaningful way for Team USA - Federal Association to contribute to this international celebration of faith.

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Movie and Disco night? Yes please!

After a light lunch, the afternoon shifted into fun and friendship. Set against the breathtaking backdrop of the Castle of Javier, campers took part in a variety of integration activities designed to build friendships across countries and cultures. Archery, water games, a bouncy castle, and an energetic slip-and-slide kept everyone smiling despite the summer heat, and language barriers quickly disappeared through laughter and teamwork.

Following some well-earned time to rest, everyone gathered once again for dinner before choosing between two evening activities: a relaxing movie night or a lively medieval-themed disco.



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The largest country team at the camp – Again!

Only two days into International Malta Camp, it is already clear that this week will be filled with unforgettable experiences, lasting friendships, and countless opportunities to encounter Christ through service and community.

We are especially proud that, as in the last few years, the Team USA - Federal Association has brought one of the largest (if not the largest) delegations to this year's camp, despite traveling across the ocean. Our guests, volunteers, clergy, and leadership are representing the United States with joy, enthusiasm, and a deep commitment to the mission of the Order of Malta.



Day 3 - Adventure, Fellowship, and an International Celebration

Day three of International Malta Camp offered something for everyone as Team USA – Federal Association spread out across a variety of exciting activities throughout the day. Participants ventured off to experience some of the region's unique attractions. Lydia enjoyed an adventurous rafting excursion, while Conor, Matt, and Ryan explored a local winery and learned more about the area's rich cultural heritage. Emily, Kristi, Michael, and Nicole spent the day at a nearby theme park, taking advantage of thrilling rides and making memories together.



Back at camp, Quinn and many other participants took part in the on-site activities, which included arts and crafts, inflatable games, and other lighthearted competitions. Similar to yesterday's integration activities at the foot of the Castle of Javier, these experiences provided a relaxed atmosphere for campers from different countries to meet one another, share conversations, and simply enjoy being together. Quinn also had the opportunity to be interviewed by Malta Camp Radio, giving Team USA - Federal Association another chance to be represented throughout the international gathering.

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Whether exploring the Spanish countryside or remaining at camp, everyone returned with stories to share and smiles on their faces. The diversity of activities allowed each participant to experience a different side of Malta Camp while continuing to build friendships with fellow campers from around the world. As the afternoon came to a close, Team USA – Federal Association reunited for Mass and Vespers, once again centering the day on prayer before gathering for dinner and one of the most anticipated events of the week: International Night.

The evening was a vibrant celebration of the many cultures represented at Malta Camp. Delegations transformed their country booths into welcoming displays of national traditions, inviting campers to sample regional foods, beverages, and specialties while learning more about one another's cultures. Some of the evening's highlights included Belgium's chocolate fountain, sausages, and traditional beverages; Ireland's assortment of breads, cheeses, relish, red lemonade, and the famous "Baby Guinness" treat; Mexico's festive margaritas and fresh salsa; Poland's pierogi, borscht, and sausages; Italy's selection of aperitifs, cheeses, and cured meats; and Bulgaria's delicious Turkish delight and traditional drinks. Throughout the evening, campers enthusiastically visited each country's stand, discovering new flavors and celebrating the rich diversity of the international Order of Malta family.



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International Night also highlighted the House Competition. Every participant belongs to one of four camp houses: Our Lady of Philermo, St. Hugh, St. John the Baptist, or Blessed Gerard. Throughout the week, each house earns points through teamwork, enthusiasm, sportsmanship, and participation, all leading toward the coveted House Cup. **Team USA – Federal Association proudly represents Our Lady of Philermo** alongside campers from Ireland, UK, Malta, and the Netherlands. The disco provided the perfect opportunity for each house to showcase its colors with displays, chants, and spirited dancing filling the evening.

Another memorable day came to a close, and Team USA – Federal Association continues to experience the true spirit of International Malta Camp: growing in faith, celebrating the richness of different cultures, and forming friendships that transcend borders.

As we look ahead to the remainder of International Malta Camp, we anticipate the many moments of joy, friendship, and faith still to come. Year after year, this Camp continues to demonstrate its lasting impact on the younger members and volunteers of the Order, fostering meaningful friendships, encouraging personal growth, and inspiring participants to look beyond themselves in joyful service to others.

Domenico Musso, KM

Chair, Auxiliary Committee

Shout-out goes to **Rich Mena, Jr.** serving again as **Team Leader**, this year assisted by **Andy Craig**, **Jack Bohling**, **Sarah Nelson**, and **Tony Kaufmann** as 2026 leadership team members. As part of the Auxiliary Committee, they have worked hard to make this journey possible.

We are grateful to them and to the Federal Association's support, in providing our young members, volunteers, and guests with this life-changing opportunity to grow closer to Christ and to one another.

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Day 4: Friendship, Competition, and a Night of Prayer

Day four of the Camp (and fifth day of this adventure for the Federal Association – Team USA) brought the entire International Malta Camp community together for a memorable day at the University of Navarra in Pamplona, where teams experienced a combination of learning, friendly competition, and one of the Camp's most meaningful traditions.

The morning began with a visit to the university's Faculty of Science Museum, a fascinating collection spread across five floors and featuring an extraordinary variety of animal and mineral specimens. Rather than simply touring the exhibits, guests and helpers were challenged to take part in a scavenger hunt, searching each floor for different animals and learning along the way.

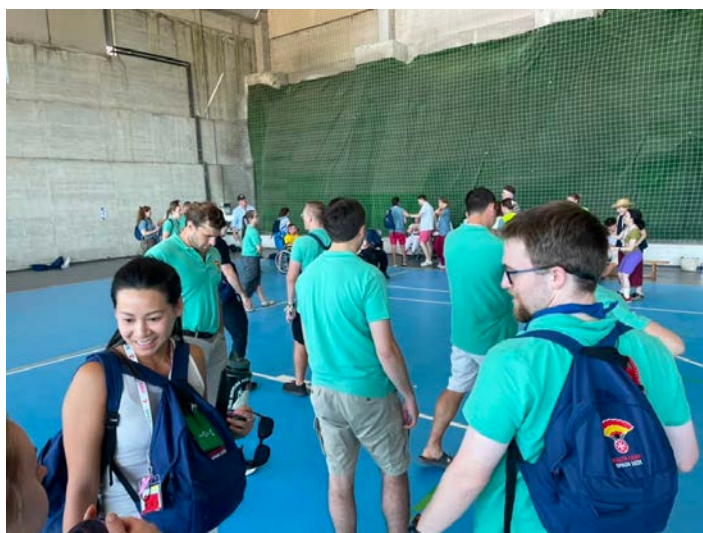
The activity brought plenty of energy and laughter to the morning while giving everyone an opportunity to explore the museum together.

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After lunch, the teams made their way toward the athletic facilities for the much-anticipated Christoph's Cup, one of the traditional highlights of the International Malta Camp!

The Cup is held each year in memory of Christoph (*German version of the name Christopher*), a beloved former Camp participant whose enthusiasm and love for Malta Camp left a lasting impression on those who knew him. Following his passing, Christoph's parents generously donated the games and equipment used for the competition as a token of their gratitude for the friendships and experiences he had found at Camp.

Today, the Cup continues to honor his memory by bringing young people together in the same spirit of friendship, joy, and participation that Christoph cherished.



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Federal Association –Team USA entered the competition with plenty of enthusiasm, taking on a variety of challenges including a scarecrow game, beanbag tic-tac-toe, a rock-paper-scissors tournament, and several other activities. The centerpiece of the afternoon was croquet, where teams competed against delegations from across Europe and beyond. Our Team faced off against the Belgian, French, Hungarian, and Polish delegations, among others, making for an afternoon filled with friendly rivalry and plenty of encouragement from teammates.

Despite the intense summer heat, spirits remained high throughout the competition. By the end of the afternoon, a welcome breeze provided some relief as the final games came to a close. The journey back to Javier offered everyone a chance to rest—many campers promptly fell asleep on the bus after such an active day!

Upon returning to the castle, Federal Association –Team USA joined the Bulgarian delegation for Mass, sharing a prayerful moment with fellow guests and helpers from different parts of the world.



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Christ at the Center: The Silent Night

After Mass, everyone gathered for dinner and began preparing for one of the most beautiful traditions of the International Malta Camp: Silent Night. Before the evening's prayer began, campers also had the opportunity to enjoy the latest edition of the Malta Camp newspaper, which has become another fun way to capture the stories and experiences unfolding throughout the week.

As the sun went down, the atmosphere changed completely. Silent Night began with a candlelit procession and the Rosary, followed by Eucharistic Adoration, opportunities for Confession, and Benediction. After a day filled with competition, activity, and laughter, the evening offered a peaceful opportunity to become quiet, reflect, and place the experiences of the week in God's hands.

The prayerful evening was particularly meaningful as the Camp celebrated the Feast of the Transfiguration, a fitting reminder in the midst of an international gathering that **the heart of International Malta Camp is ultimately centered on Christ.**

Surrounded by candlelight and the prayers of campers from around the world, the day came to a beautiful and peaceful close.

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Day 5 - Summer Fun and International Celebrations

After several busy days, Day five (6th for the Team) gave the Federal Association – Team USA the opportunity to enjoy a slightly slower morning. While some participants headed out for additional off-site activities, others remained at the castle and took advantage of a variety of activities around the grounds.

The morning was filled with summer fun, including water games, water guns, a large slide, a rock-climbing wall, soccer, and other lawn games. Arts and crafts were also available at the foot of the castle, providing a quieter alternative for those who wanted to relax and enjoy the beautiful surroundings.

The combination of activities once again brought campers from different countries together, and provided another opportunity for friendships to grow naturally through shared experiences. Following a light lunch, everyone had some time to rest and refresh on the lawn before gathering for Mass in the castle.



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In the Footsteps of a Saint

After Mass, the group had the special opportunity to visit the chapel where **St. Francis Xavier prayed while discerning his vocation**, particularly his call to the Society of Jesus. Standing in a place connected so intimately with his own journey of faith and vocation provided a meaningful moment of reflection for the young people at Camp, many of whom are themselves discerning how God is calling them to serve.

Federal Association – Team USA then gathered for team photographs before preparing for another evening of international fellowship.



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The Federal Association - Team USA at International Night



Dinner was followed by **International Night**, where delegations from around the world transformed their tables into celebrations of their home countries. Federal Association - Team USA joined Austrians, British, Czechs, Germans, Peruvians, Slovaks, and many others in sharing the flavors, traditions, and hospitality of their respective nations. Each table offered something different, turning the evening into a journey around the world without anyone ever having to leave Javier.

This year's Federal Association - Team USA proudly offered some of America's most classic comfort foods: mac and cheese, hotdogs, John Day's, and Ice Tea.



After the tasting and cultural exchange, the evening transitioned seamlessly into another high-energy Ibiza-themed disco, with everyone dressed in white for a festive beach-inspired celebration. Music, dancing, and laughter brought the entire Camp together once again, creating a joyful conclusion to another full day.



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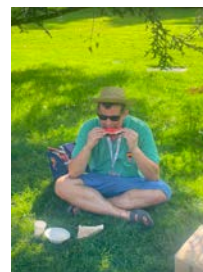
As the week progresses, these evenings continue to demonstrate **one of the greatest gifts of International Malta Camp**: the opportunity to discover that although the campers come from different countries, speak different languages, and bring different traditions with them, they are united by the same faith, the same Order, and the same desire to serve others.



Day 6 - Walking Together in Faith

Day six brought Federal Association – Team USA together with the entire International Malta Camp community for one of the most meaningful experiences of the week: **a pilgrimage along the Camino de Santiago.**

The day began early as Federal Association – Team USA traveled to Pamplona to begin the walk. Campers had the choice of two routes, one shorter and one longer, allowing everyone to participate according to their abilities. Along the way, Federal Association – Team USA joined the Spanish delegation in leading the Rosary, bringing prayer into the heart of the pilgrimage as we walked together.



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After completing the routes, the two groups reunited for the final stretch of the Camino—approximately one kilometer leading to the Cathedral of Pamplona. Though the walk was tiring, the sense of accomplishment and fellowship grew with every step. Arriving at the Cathedral, the entire Camp gathered for Holy Mass, joined by Nuns of the Order as well as members of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre. After the physical effort of the pilgrimage, Mass provided a welcome spiritual renewal.

The shared journey – walking, praying, and ultimately arriving together at the Cathedral – was a beautiful expression of the fraternity at the heart of Malta Camp. Following Mass, everyone enjoyed lunch in Pamplona before returning to Javier. Back at Camp, there was little time to rest as everyone prepared for one of the final celebrations of the week: **Oscar's Night**.

The evening began in the courtyard with champagne before the guests and volunteers gathered for dinner. A festive meal of red pasta and chicken, accompanied by red wine, set the stage for the evening ahead.

Then, in true International Malta Camp fashion, the unexpected happened: **rain!**



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As the skies opened, everyone quickly made their way indoors, bringing their plates with them and finishing dinner wherever they could. The sudden change of plans only added to the evening's spirit, and the celebration continued in the disco room. The scheduled talent show was postponed, but that did not stop Federal Association – Team USA from putting on a show of its own.

When the talent show finally took place, Federal Association – Team USA proudly took the stage, showing off their best dance moves and enthusiastically singing along to Sweet Caroline. The Oscar theme carried throughout the evening, with the disco providing another opportunity for the entire Camp to celebrate together.

As Federal Association – Team USA approached the final days of this extraordinary experience, Day 6 reminded the young crew once again that some of the best memories are created when things do not go exactly according to plan. From walking and praying together on the Camino to singing and dancing together late into the evening, the day captured the spirit of the International Malta Camp: faith, friendship, perseverance, and plenty of joy.



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As we approach the conclusion of this adventure, we are reminded that the International Malta Camp is much more than a week of activities. Participants discover different cultures, take part in workshops, enjoy sports and recreation, and come together in prayer and religious celebrations. For many, however, its greatest gift is the opportunity to form friendships that last well beyond the Camp. **Since 1984**, the International Malta Camp has brought together young people with developmental differences and volunteers from around the world, creating an unforgettable experience of friendship, inclusion, and community.

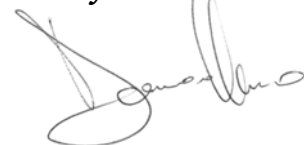
As our Grand Master reminded participants last year, «The Order's young people, and the special individuals they will be with, will experience the grace that comes from sharing their lives and love with each other. This will be the personification of Psalm 139, in which the psalmist recognised that **every person, no matter their physical or mental frailties, is 'wonderfully made', that they are created in God's very image, that they are God's beloved.**»

This spirit is at the heart of the Order of Malta's mission. For young members and volunteers, the International Camp provides a unique opportunity to live that mission through faith, service, fraternity, solidarity, and a shared commitment to others. Guided by the Gospel, charity becomes something lived through friendship, service, and love.

We are deeply grateful for the opportunity to share these days with our Guests and fellow Volunteers. By serving alongside young people from around the world, a new generation of the Order builds lasting memories and friendships while discovering anew the joy of living its mission together.

As always, our dedicated thanks go to **Rich Mena, Jr., who is serving again as Team Leader** this year, assisted by **Andy Craig, Jack Bohling, Sarah Nelson, and Tony Kaufmann** as members of the 2026 leadership team. As part of the **Auxiliary Committee**, they have worked hard to make this journey possible. We are grateful to them and to the Federal Association's support, in providing our young members, volunteers, and guests with this life-changing opportunity to grow closer to Christ and to one another.

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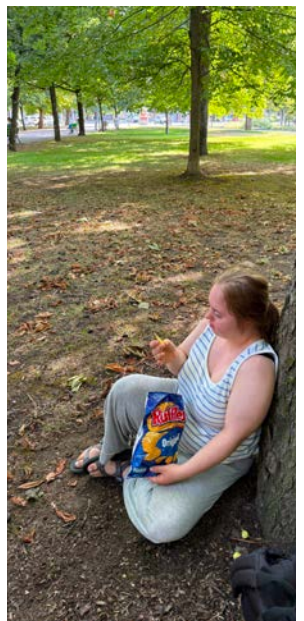
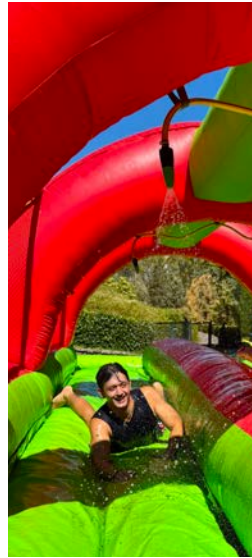


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Day 7: Closing Ceremonies

Our final day at International Malta Camp began with the Closing Mass and Closing Ceremony of the International Malta Camp 2026. It was a meaningful opportunity for the entire Camp community to come together one final time, reflecting on an incredible week of faith, friendship, service, and shared experiences.

During the Closing Ceremony, the results of the week-long House competitions were announced, celebrating the enthusiasm, teamwork, and spirit shown by participants from the different countries. The winner of the Christopher's Cup was also announced, with Team Slovakia receiving the honor.

Another exciting moment came with the announcement of the destination for next year's International Malta Camp: Vienna, Austria, in 2027! For Federal Association – Team USA, it was a wonderful way to close their time in Spain, celebrating everything they had experienced and accomplished together while already looking forward to the next gathering of the International Malta Camp family.

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With the formal celebrations concluded, and the last activities completed, the attention turned to preparing Federal Association – Team USA for the journey home. Guests and volunteers packed their belongings, organized luggage, cleaned the dormitories, and made sure everything was ready for our overnight departure. After such a full and active week, getting everyone and everything organized was certainly a team effort!

Once preparations were complete, Federal Association – Team USA joined several participants from other delegations for one final disco while they waited for the bus. It was the perfect opportunity to enjoy one last evening together: dancing, laughing, saying goodbye, and spending precious final moments with the friends they had made from around the world.



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Day 8 – Journey Back Home

The bus for Federal Association – Team USA arrived at the campsite at approximately 1:15 A.M., and by around 1:45 A.M., everyone was together, the luggage was loaded, and they began the approximately **five-hour overnight journey** to Madrid Airport. The long journey home had officially begun.

After arriving in Madrid, the crew unloaded their luggage, checked in, completed the necessary airport procedures, and prepared for the scheduled 11:15 A.M. flight to Washington, D.C. Once Federal Association – Team USA landed in D.C., our guests and volunteers began making their way to their respective homes throughout the United States.

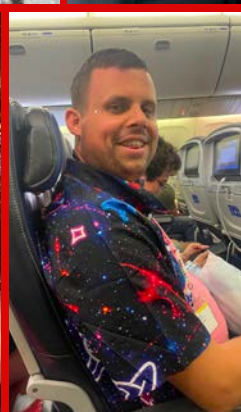
Severe weather affected some connecting flights, requiring a few adjustments along the way, but the rain and wind were certainly no match for the joy and happiness that had filled the Team throughout the week. The smiles, friendships, and memories of Malta Camp remained very much alive as everyone continued their journey home.

After a fantastic week of friendship and camaraderie Federal Association – Team USA was proud to see all our Guests and Volunteers reunited with their families and loved ones.



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“ And so, an extraordinary International Malta Camp 2026 in Spain came to an end.



More than anything, our guests and volunteers returned home carrying something far more valuable than souvenirs: new friendships, unforgettable experiences, and memories that will, we hope, remain with them for many years to come. The week may be over, but the friendships formed, the faith shared, and the joy experienced together will continue far beyond Javier.

For Team USA, it has been a privilege and a blessing to be part of this remarkable international family. Federal Association – Team USA is deeply grateful for every moment—and now, with Spain behind us, we can already begin looking forward to Vienna 2027!

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Until We Meet Again in Austria!

The 2026 International Malta Camp has now come to a close. It has been an extraordinary week of service, faith, and international friendship. The Federal Association – Team USA departs with full hearts, already **looking forward to next year's camp in Austria!**

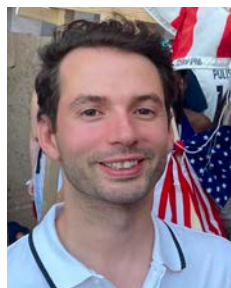


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A Special Thank You to Our Team

My most sincere gratitude and appreciation go to all our fantastic Helpers: Andrew, Anthony Q., Ashley, Claire, David, Gillian, Kaley, Margaret, Miki, Reid, Rick K., Tony Z., and Veronique. They selflessly dedicated their time, talent, and treasure to serving our dear Guests and, in doing so, **recognizing in each of them the face of Our Lord Jesus Christ**, in keeping with the Charism of our beloved Order. Each of them made a significant personal commitment to participate, generously giving both their time and resources and remaining on call 24/7 to care for and support our Guests.

Allow me to recognize and thanks the key people who made this Camp truly unique:



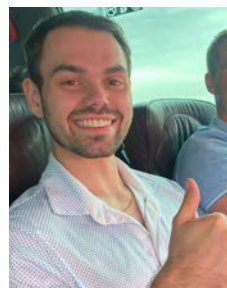
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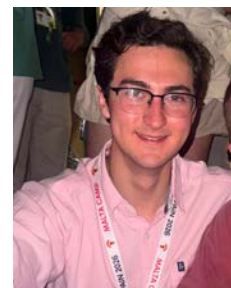
Andy J. Craig, KM
Main Assistant Team Leader



Sarah L. Nelson, Aux
Assistant Team Lead - Women's Team



Jack R. Bohling, Aux
Assistant Team Lead - Men's Team



Jose (Tony) Kaufmann, Aux
Assistant Team Lead - Men's Team

Rich Mena, Jr., KM: For the third time Rich led the Federal Association – Team USA onto the international stage, dedicating countless hours to preparing for and executing another successful Camp. As in previous years, there were plenty of late-night calls — sometimes well past 2:00 a.m. — as he worked through the many details, logistics, material needs, and bureaucratic challenges that come with bringing a delegation of this size to an international event. Thank you for your hard work!

Andy J. Craig, KM: In his second year at Camp, Andy once again proved to be a pivotal member of the Team. His professional experience, calm approach, and ability to keep everyone moving in the right direction were invaluable throughout the week. Whether marshaling the Team, keeping track of our many moving parts, or stepping in to solve problems as they arose, Andy was always ready to help. His reliability and steady presence were greatly appreciated by everyone.

Sarah L. Nelson, Aux: Second Camp for Sarah, and she already took on the leadership of the Women's Team — and, as often happens at Malta Camp, a few additional responsibilities along the way! She approached everything with seriousness, balance, and genuine zeal, always ready to step in wherever she was needed. Her dedication, good judgment, and willingness to serve made her an invaluable part of our leadership team.

Jack R. Bohling, Aux: In his second year at Camp, Jack quickly established himself as someone the Team could count on. His serious and dependable character was recognized and appreciated by everyone. Reliable and ready to take responsibility when needed, Jack brought a quiet confidence and consistency to the Team.

Jose (Tony) Kaufmann, Aux: Tony has now become a familiar and much-valued presence on the Team, and we are grateful to have him with us once again. This year, he played an important role behind the scenes, helping with travel bookings, insurance, and the many logistical details that made the journey possible!

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We couldn't end without thanking our President, our Executive Director, our Chaplain, and the Grants Committee:



Ernie Bono, GCMOb, President of the Federal Association: A heartfelt thank you to our President for joining us at Camp for the second time! By now, Ernie is far more than just our President; he is a true Federal Association – Team USA champion and, as anyone at Camp can tell you, genuinely loved by our Guests and Volunteers. Always cheering everyone on, sharing his joy, and jumping right into the Camp spirit, Ernie brought his trademark enthusiasm and warmth to every moment. We are incredibly grateful for his leadership, his friendship, and for being such a wonderful champion of our Guests, our Volunteers, and the Malta Camp family!



Deacon Michael J. Stankewicz, Executive Director of the Federal Association: His steadfast presence at the International MaltaCamp and continued support of our Team have once again been a tremendous blessing. He provided thoughtful counsel, guidance, and encouragement to both our leadership and volunteers. His dedication has played a vital role in the growth of the Federal Association — Team USA, from a modest presence to the largest delegation represented over the past several years.



Fr. Luke Millette: A huge thank you to Fr. Luke for bringing his faith, wisdom, good humor, and — most importantly — his willingness to ride a mechanical bull to this year's Camp! Between celebrating Mass, spending time with our Guests and Volunteers, and providing spiritual guidance, Fr. Luke fully embraced the Malta Camp spirit. We are grateful for his joyful presence throughout the week and for proving that even a Judicial Vicar is not above a little mechanical-bull diplomacy!



With gratitude, we once again thank the **Grants Committee of the Federal Association USA** for the generous grant awarded in 2025. Without that vital financial support, our beloved Guests would not have had the opportunity to take part in this life-changing experience.

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Dear Members and Benefactors,

It is with great appreciation and heartfelt thanks that I write to each of you for your continued support of the International Malta Camp and Federal Association – Team USA.

Your generosity has a real and lasting impact on the lives of our Guests. It is because of your continued support that we are able to make this extraordinary experience possible year after year. We therefore ask you to consider supporting the International Malta Camp and helping us continue this important work.

At the heart of the International Malta Camp is our mission to serve our Guests, who do not incur any personal costs to participate. Your support allows us to cover their travel and participation expenses, making it possible for every Guest to fully experience all that the Camp has to offer. But the Camp is much more than a week of activities. It becomes a true community: a place of joy, friendship, connection, and belonging, rooted in the values and spirituality of our Order.

I also want to highlight the invaluable opportunity the Camp provides to our Helpers. Volunteers of all ages are welcome, and we especially encourage our younger members, volunteers, and the young adult children of our members to take part. Serving as a Helper is not only a wonderful way to contribute to the well-being and happiness of our Guests; it is also an opportunity to experience firsthand the mission of our Order and to understand more deeply the profound impact that our service can have on others.

For all of this, we are truly grateful for your generosity, your trust, and your continued support.

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The International Malta Camp is a truly unique global experience, bringing participants together with peers from around the world and fostering friendships and bonds that transcend borders. It is a place to grow, learn, and serve, while living the values of our Order and deepening our shared commitment to faith, service, and compassion.

As we look forward to the **2027 International Camp in Austria**, we warmly invite you to consider supporting Federal Association – Team USA. Your generosity allows us to offer this life-changing experience to more Guests and to continue our mission of serving Our Lords the sick and the poor on an international scale. In doing so, we carry forward the path laid nearly a millennium ago by the members of our Order who came before us, guided always by Our Lord Jesus Christ.

We warmly encourage you to reach out if you have any questions about the Camp or would like to learn more about how you can support this meaningful initiative. Rich and I would be delighted to share more about this remarkable opportunity and the many ways you can be part of it.

Thank you once again for your invaluable support. As always, together we can continue making a difference, one Camp at a time.

With sincere gratitude,

Domenico Musso, KM
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