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WHEN IN ROME

An Interview with Matt Anthony

Matt Anthony was the director of Sauganash until 2015. He now lives in Rome and works with the Prelate of Opus Dei, Msgr. Fernando Ocariz (who many of you met in Chicago last summer). As part of his job, Matt helps centers like Sauganash all over the world to organize activities for students. Italy has been one of the countries hardest hit by coronavirus. More people have died there than in China from the virus. He shares his perspective on the current situation from Italy.

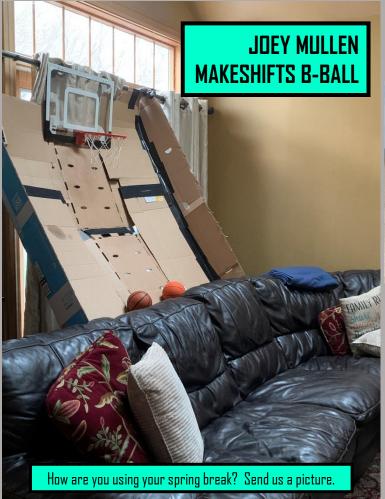
What is it like being in Rome right now? Right now is a unique time in Rome, as in many other cities around the world. Being the capital of Italy and a big city, Rome usually has a lot of life and action, and it attracts tons of tourists. All of that is completely on halt. The streets are totally empty, and virtually everything is closed. But the most special thing about Rome, of course, is having the Holy Father here, and thankfully he has not caught the virus. He is encouraging everyone to pray a lot for those who are suffering because of the current crisis.

What kinds of things are other centers around the world doing right now? Centers like Sauganash around the world are offering all kinds of activities and materials to help people keep growing closer to God and deepening their friendships during this period: organizing circles, talks and meditations online; scheduling times to hang out in a group video chat; sharing ideas on how to use all the extra time well and help out your family, you name it. I have to say that, from what I have seen, Sauganash is on the cutting edge of what a center can do. The Caronacle is a first-rate source of news and knowledge!

What do you recommend that the Sauganash guys do while they are quarantined? I would say that the two key things that Sauganash guys should do while they are quarantined are 1) write down a simple schedule every day and try to follow it and 2) follow the Words of Wisdom from Chief Sauganash in *The Coronacle*!

What is the Prelate of Opus Dei encouraging high school guys to do while they're locked down? The Father is encouraging high school guys to use this period to grow in friendship with Jesus Christ, with their family and with their peers. It is a time that bring extra challenges, but also opportunities. You can put more effort into living your plan of life and daily times of prayer, especially keeping in mind the sick and suffering. You can help out your parents doing more chores at home. You can organize some fun things to do with your brothers and sisters, even if those activities aren't your personal favorites. And of course it is a great time to stay in contact with your friends from all over, share news about what each of you is doing, and encourage each other to make the most of the crisis.

What do you miss most about Chicago? Of the many things that I miss about Chicago, at the top of the list are Chicago-style hotdogs. To be more specific, I have a hard time not being able to frequent my two favorite Chicago eateries, which are - in order of preference – Wolfy's and Superdawg.



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By Caleb McClure



VIRAL VIDEO OF THE DAY

Your family members may need to blow off steam during quarantine.

Follow the example of these four-year-old twins, and make time to talk to your family and have a good time in a difficult situation.

POEM OF THE DAY

From one of our readers

We're in lockdown because of a virus
So I'm putting pen to papyrus
To write a few lines
About difficult times
And the fact that they sometimes inspire us.

Write your own poem or short story this week.



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