

# ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## Summer Reading Discussion Questions for *Rome Sweet Home*

After reading *Rome Sweet Home*, answer the following questions in complete sentences. Create a new document to type your answers. While there is not a certain length required for each answer, remember that quality is more important than quantity, and it is important to answer each question completely.

Be sure to include your name both on the document and in the file name when saving to your computer. Upload your completed assignment online by 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, August 5. For more information about summer reading assignments or to submit your completed assignment online, visit [www.stpatrickhighschool.net/summer](http://www.stpatrickhighschool.net/summer).

Also, be sure to avoid plagiarism of any kind. Answers which are found on the internet, in other publications, or in other students' work will receive no credit.

This summer reading assignment will be awarded a grade in your religious studies, English, and social studies classes, so be sure to submit quality work. Students enrolled in AP courses should complete this assignment in addition to the course-specific assignment for the AP class in which they are enrolled.

### Summer Reading Discussion Questions:

1. One of the opening lines in chapter one is, "If you are tempted to treat the love of God lightly, look again at the Cross." How is the cross a symbol of love? How have you experienced the cross of Jesus as love?
2. Describe what Scott's and Kimberly's religious life was like as a child. Kimberly follows in her parents' footsteps. Do you do the same? How do you foster the faith your parents or guardians have taught you?
3. Scott continues to study the covenant as an underlying theme of the Bible. What does this mean? How did Scott's idea of the covenant change?
4. Scott's conversion and Kimberly's resistance show an example of having conflict without sin. How do they work through their conflict? In relationships with your family and friends, how do you address conflict with the avoidance of sin?
5. What were Scott's and Kimberly's early ministry goal, and what were some examples of how each fulfilled this goal?

6. What was noticeable about Scott's first mass (in chapter six)? How has the Bible come alive for you during mass?
7. In chapter eight, Kimberly says, "I could not always figure out where my convictions ended and my obstinacy began." What does she mean by this? How does this apply to certain issues of the Church in your personal life? What lessons can we learn from this?
8. Near the end of the book, Scott talks about being home in his church. How do you feel at home in your church? How can our faith community do better to ensure everyone feels at home?