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Igniting Hearts.*

JESUIT RETREAT HOUSE

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“Our life is a journey and when we stop moving, something goes wrong.” Pope Francis, Homily, March 14, 2013

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Dear Friends:

Here at the Retreat House we are seriously implementing the concept of ‘journey’ or ‘pilgrimage’, something that Pope Francis has mentioned frequently in his talks. As a Jesuit, he is familiar with the journey St. Ignatius took from Spain to Rome in an effort to discern God’s will for him in his newly energized faith.

We are each called to make such a journey even if we are comfortable in our faith. You might say that consciously or not, you are making a journey; after all, you are living and breathing, working and playing. So, you are journeying. You think. But, if you aren’t conscious of the journey, you aren’t really making it. You are letting life happen to you. In fact, sometimes when you catch your breath and pause a little, you wonder why things aren’t working so well. You’re doing everything the right way: working to support a family, helping your children with their needs, attending Mass weekly, helping neighbors when possible. So on and so on.

But are you journeying? Seeking new ways to satisfy a spiritual hunger you haven’t had the time to nourish? Trying different ways to pray? Reading invigorating books on spirituality? Looking for a spiritual companion, a spiritual director?

We can help. Our Jesuit roots and charism inspire the roadmap you need to make a pilgrimage in the faith, to become happier—just as God wants you to be.

I am proud to acknowledge that our Lay Leadership Program has developed “pilgrimage” as an initiative to the parish 8-week Ignatian retreat, both of which will be held at St. Angela Merici Parish. And the graduates of the Ignatian Spirituality Institute at John Carroll will be offering, “*Walking the Pilgrim Way*”, a four-part series to help deepen the experience of the Spiritual Exercises.

As you decide to embark on a spiritual journey or pilgrimage as Pope Francis advocates, make a resolution to dare something different in your spiritual life. Sign up for a retreat day or week-end. Ask us about spiritual direction. I encourage you to please read about the wonderful programs we are offering over the next few months and sign up for something.

In Christ’s embracing love,

Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, S.C.

Our Mission:

Inspired by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, rooted in the spirituality of St. Ignatius, the Jesuit Retreat House provides a sacred setting for retreats and programs of growth and development for people in the contemporary Church and society.



A Healthy, Happy House...

Volunteers for the JRH can be found almost any day of the week helping mostly with office tasks, but two people give their time not related to administrative tasks. After her retirement from St. Francis De Sales Parish Religious Education staff, Sister John Albert Thiery, S.N.D., accepted the invitation to keep the sacristy in order here at the JRH. Immediately, Sister, who was trained as a home economics teacher, washed and repaired all our linens and vestments. She orders supplies and sees to it that the sanctuary is decorated for all liturgical seasons.



Sister Helen Therese Scasny, S.C., is the retired Executive Director of the Light of Hearts Assisted Living Facility in Bedford, Ohio. She now manages the on-going bargain market for the facility and is constantly saving items that can be used at the JRH. She sometimes delivers to the JRH boxes of pocket folders for retreatants, kitchen utensils and glassware left from wholesale purchases for Light of Hearts, new and used books, and prizes for our gift baskets which we raffle during fund raisers. Both Sisters are masters at thriftiness and efficiency. What they have saved us through their volunteerism, is incalculable. God bless them!

“Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.” Colossians 3:23-24

With A Worthy Mission...

Development Updates

Marian R. Rubin, Director of Development



Thank You All!

Thank you to all of our friends and benefactors for your generous gifts to our Annual Fall Appeal! We look forward to seeing all of you at the Jesuit Retreat House this new year. A very special thank you to both Laura Kennedy and Bill Koebnitz for selecting and donating our new beautiful oak chapel lectern and our new special intentions book. All written intentions are included as part of our Masses celebrated here at JRH. Another special thank you to both Maria and Brian Dean for donating 250 additional New Mass Response cards for use at our Christmas Eve Mass and beyond.

Come quench your thirst and “Tap” into the Jesuit Retreat House!

JRH is holding a first time ever event at the Great Lakes Brewing Tasting room (2701 Carroll Ave., Cleveland - ages 21 & up) to kick off a series of new retreat programs scheduled for Younger adults. “Tap” into the Jesuit Retreat House will be held Thursday, February 27, 2014, 6 pm - 8 pm. Coach Tom Arth from John Carroll University is our guest speaker. The cost of admission is \$20 (\$25 at the door). Limit 200 attendees. Register online at www.jrh-cleveland.org or call 440-884-9300.

“Hearts and Hands for Harvest”

The Sisters of Charity Foundation of Cleveland provided JRH with grant funding to hold 3 seasonal Eco-Spirituality Retreats. The first, “Hearts and Hands for Harvest” was led by Sr. Barbara O'Donnell, HM, in October for students from St. Martin de Porres High School. Youth were encouraged to articulate their experiences of God's creation through verbal, written, and creative activities. The students assisted George Mravetz (JRH) with harvesting late seasonal vegetables, after George shared his story about creating, composting, and planting in the organic garden beds. The second retreat, “Water for Life” is scheduled for February, 2014.

“Re-Connect, Renew and Refresh” – A Retreat for Younger Adults

March 18, 2014 6 - 8PM Lenten Retreat for 20-40 year old adults: “Re-Connect, Renew and Refresh” Paula Fitzgerald (JCU) and Fr. Matt Roche, SJ will present on the Season of Lent. The sacrament of reconciliation will be offered. Cost including dinner is \$25.

Lenten Luncheon Series

Theme: “Renewing Mind, Heart and Spirit”

Lenten Luncheons at Jesuit Retreat House provide sacred space to gather for a home-cooked meal, and prayer. Spiritual and intellectual nourishment are fostered by presenters who inspire, challenge, and delight. Luncheons begin with prayer at 11:30 a.m. and conclude by 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$25. This Lent the Jesuit Retreat House is proud to host:

Tuesday March 11. *Lenten Renewal: Being Catholic in a Season of Change.*

Presented by Paul V. Murphy, Ph.D.



Each year at Lent, the Church calls Catholics to renew their commitment to companionship with Christ. This year of a new pope brings new opportunities to imagine what that might mean for Christians throughout the world. At this luncheon we will approach Lenten issues in light of the ministry of Pope Francis. Dr. Murphy holds an M.Div. from Weston Jesuit School of Theology and a Ph.D. in Renaissance History from the University of Toronto. His teaching and research focuses on the history of Christianity, the Jesuits, and efforts at reform in the Roman Catholic tradition. He currently serves as the Vice president for University Mission and Identity and the Director of the Institute of Catholic Studies at John Carroll University.

Tuesday March 25. *Liturgy as Mystical Prayer.*

Presented by Fr. Michael Woost



The sacramental-liturgical life of the Church is a unique and essential means to mystically encountering the life of the Trinity. Fr. Mike's presentation will explore how we can experience our liturgical prayer as mystical prayer and so, grow in transforming union with God. Fr. Michael Woost was ordained as a priest for the Diocese of Cleveland in 1984. He has served as the Associate Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish, Madison, and as the Co-Director of the Diocesan Vocation Office. Fr. Mike returned in December of 1999 from graduate studies at the Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. to teach sacramental and liturgical theology at St. Mary Seminary.

Monday April 7. *Our Sons' Inner Lives: On Faith, Ignatius Loyola & Other Boys.*

Presented by Fr. William Murphy, SJ.



You often wonder what is going on in the mind of your teen-ager. Fr. Murphy will reflect on the challenge of helping young people grow in their faith commitment. Anyone with a teen-ager in the family won't want to miss this presentation. Fr. Murphy is the President of Saint Ignatius High School. During his early years with the Jesuits, Murphy attended Loyola University Chicago, earned an advanced degree from Weston School of Theology, Cambridge, Mass., and taught mathematics for three years at Cincinnati's St. Xavier High School.

Check our website www.jrh-cleveland.org for all our Lenten Programs or to pray the Stations of the Cross on line.

**“We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you;
Because by your Holy Cross you have
Redeemed the World”**

Lenten Retreats

Holy Week: Days of Prayer & Individually-Directed Retreats

Has Easter become just another routine? Enter the fullness of the Easter story at JRH with days of prayer and quiet reflection on Holy Thursday (April 17) and Good Friday (April 18). **Holy Thursday** features a presentation on the Eucharist and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. **Good Friday** features a presentation on the Passion and the praying of the Stations of the Cross. Both days of prayer also offer Poustinia Days and take place from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. that include a soup lunch and time for quiet prayer on one's own. Free-will offerings will be accepted.

JRH will also be offering **individually-directed retreats** during Holy Week, April 14 - 18. Come for a 5-day silent retreat with spiritual direction, following the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. Cost is \$325, includes room and all meals. Please visit <http://www.jrh-cleveland.org> for more details. This could be just the break you need this Lent!



Women's Lenten Retreat: March 28 - 30

Presented by Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, S.C. & Fr. Matthew Roche, S.J.

Forgiveness and the Penitent Woman: Her Legacy of Love.

You will be glad to make this retreat. We will explore the parables of forgiveness and openness to faith based on an understanding of God's mercy and love. Presentations will be given by Sr. Mary Ann Flannery and Fr. Matt Roche. The weekend begins Friday at 6:00 p.m., and ends Sunday by 11:00 a.m. The weekend includes presentations, private direction, group reflection, quiet prayer on one's own, meals, Mass and reconciliation. Cost is \$155.

Men's Lenten Retreat: April 4 - 6

Presented by Fr. Matthew Roche, S.J.

Forgiveness

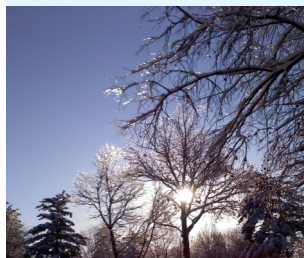
Let's look at how necessary and how difficult forgiveness is in our lives. It is for many the most challenging of Jesus' message for those desiring to become His disciple. The weekend begins Friday at 6:00 p.m., and ends Sunday by 11:00 a.m. The weekend includes presentations, group reflection, quiet prayer on one's own, meals and Mass. Cost is \$155.



St. Ignatius & the Arts Series

Colors in the Meadow: Sunday February 2

Join us for a Sunday Afternoon of water color painting being taught by local artist as part of our St. Ignatius and the Arts Series. No painting experience necessary. Learn to paint and take your painting home with you. We will begin at 1:00 pm and conclude at 4:00 pm. A tranquil tree scenery from the JRH Meadow will be used as the theme. Cost is \$50 which covers all supplies and light refreshments. Space is limited to 30 participants so make your reservation now.



Lenten Evening of the Arts: Tuesday March 25

Presented by Philip Metres, Ph.D.

Philip Metres, Ph.D., local prize-winning poet and professor of English at John Carroll University will lead us in an evening of how poetry speaks to peace. His works include many books, some of which are translated into Arabic, Polish, Russian, and Tamil. He was recently awarded a Creative Workforce Fellowship from the Community Partnership for Arts and Culture and has won many other national awards. Come for an evening of creativity and enlightenment from a poet who is a growing force in American literature. The evening is from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Cost is \$15



Lenten Concert: Sunday March 30



The Lenten concert is a program which alternates prayer and reflective readings with sacred music of the season. At this printing, we do not have the musicians confirmed. Please check the web and Lenten flyers or call the JRH for details. Program is 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Sunday, March 30. Cost is \$10.00 per person.

Strengthening Souls...



Morning Prayer for Women **Mondays, January 27, February 24, March 24, April 28 & May 19**

Women from all walks of life are invited to pray together and learn more about the beauty of prayer. Led by JRH director Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, S.C., this prayer group will refresh your spirit and help you find strength in regular prayer habits. Just bring your Bible and come as you are! The morning prayer takes place 9:30-10:45 a.m., costs \$5, and includes coffee and pastry. Reservations encouraged, but walk-ins welcome.

Pre-Cana Days

12:45 - 8:00 p.m.

Engaged couples are invited to prepare for marriage in the beautiful setting of the Jesuit Retreat House! Upcoming dates include:

**February 16
March 16
April 6
May 18**

Pre-Cana days at JRH meet diocesan requirements. Cost is \$80/couple.

AA Recovery Retreats

A Recovery Retreat at the Jesuit Retreat House is a time to nurture your serenity, experience a re-awakening, and find the strength to work the steps of recovery. Retreats begin Friday at 6:00 p.m. and conclude Sunday by 11:00 a.m. Cost is \$155, some scholarships are available.

February 14-16 Rosary Hall AA Men's Retreat
Breathing Under Water. Facilitated by Fr. Jim Schmitz
April 25-27 Sr. Ignatia AA Women's Retreat
Facilitated by Regina Brett, Jane Cavanaugh & Sheila Gallagher-Nadeau
June 6-8 Tom Deere AA Retreat. Facilitator TBA

Private Individually-Directed Retreats

Weekend

June 27-29
July 11-13
July 18-20
Cost \$185

8-Day IDR

June 23-30
July 6-13
July 14-21
Cost \$475

30-Day

June 23-
July 23
Cost \$1550

Retreat for Religious Women: June 16-21

Trinity and Communion: Incorporating Scripture, Tradition and the Gospel Call to Oneness in Creation.

Facilitated by Sister Lisa Marie Belz, O.S.U., Ph.D. Cost is \$335

Invite the associates of your community to participate as well! Sister is a former missionary to El Salvador and a recent recipient of a doctorate in scripture.

And Nurturing Leadership!



The Jesuit Retreat House offers a variety of support programs and formation experiences for lay leaders.

A word from Martha Campbell, JRH Lay Leadership Director: In the spirit of Ignatius Loyola we take a reflective step back as we begin the New Year. On the precipice of this new beginning, I view this time not so much in terms of new resolutions, but as an opportunity to make space to ponder what has been in order to embrace the new possibilities of growth that God is inviting. Here is what I see:

The winter/spring **Food for the Journey Program** has already begun and is focusing on the process of conversion in Life of Francis of Assisi. Open to spiritual directors, retreat leaders, pastoral ministers and those who have made the full Exercises of Ignatius Loyola, this program offers personal spiritual deepening for these lay leaders. This spring **The Nurturing the Call Program** will be offered to a pilot group of individuals who will be invited to develop short retreats based on the Spiritual Exercises of Ignatius Loyola. These retreats will then become part of the retreat offerings at Jesuit Retreat House. We are preparing for another spring program, **Ignatian Currents**. This program entitled "Searching for God Through Imagination and Story: Living Out the Ignatian Tradition," will be facilitated by Howard Gray, SJ. The program, open to all interested people, will take place on Friday, May 30th from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 31st from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (optional Eucharist at 4:00 p.m.) Held at the Jesuit Retreat House.

"As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst... 'Repent and believe' Jesus tells us. What are we to repent? Our indifference, our hardness of heart. What are we to believe? Jesus thirsts even now, in your heart and in the poor -- He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you." ~ Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

Building Relationships...

JRH Day Retreat February 11 *Learning to Pray Again - For the First Time*



Many of us have a set of prayers we're comfortable praying. Is it time to expand our prayer life by incorporating new ways to pray? This retreat led by Dr. Andy Kereky of St. Raphael Parish will invite you to consider other methods to deepen your relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. We'll look at some familiar methods in a new way and introduce some possibilities you might not have even considered. You will come away from this retreat spiritually invigorated...guaranteed. Day Retreats begin with coffee and pastry at 9:00 am and conclude by 3:00 pm. Mass and home – cooked lunch are included. Cost is \$25.

St. Joseph Day Retreat March 19 *St. Joseph - A Model for Trusting in God During Turbulent Times*

In this day of reflection, we will explore how we can maintain our trust in God to keep his promises and care for us, especially in the difficult moments of our lives. Drawing on the life of St. Joseph, we will gain a deeper understanding and appreciation for how this saint and patron of the Church accepted his role from God and was faithful in carrying it out. Fr. Joseph Previte was ordained a priest for the diocese of Cleveland in 2007. He first served as parochial vicar of St. Columbkille parish in Parma prior to his appointment in December 2010 to his current position as pastor of Holy Rosary Parish in Cleveland. Day Retreats begin with coffee and pastry at 9:00 am and conclude by 3:00 pm. Mass and home – cooked lunch are included. Cost is \$25.



Post Easter Celebration April 23

This evening program is for persons newly received into the Catholic Church. It will address questions such as what is faith-oriented spirituality, and how do retreat centers minister to this spirituality? What is a spiritual retreat and what is spiritual direction? How can I plan a spiritual road map in my new faith? We will close with a tour of the JRH and its “pilgrim way” followed by refreshments. Families welcome.

Program begins at 6:30 pm and concludes at 8:00 pm. Cost is \$15, light refreshments provided.



SAVE THE DATE

Hearts on Fire

*The annual fundraiser for
the Jesuit Retreat House*

Friday, May 9, 2014

Cocktails & Dinner

Leading Others in Spirituality

Honorees

Sr. Rita Mary Harwood, SND
Secretary for Parish Life and Development

Fr. John Dister, SJ
Former Detroit Province Pastoral Assistant

Mr. Karl Ertle
President, Walsh Jesuit High School

Event Co - Chairs

Liz & Dan Cotter
Carolyn Brinkley
Ann Grimm

On May, 9, enjoy an evening of delicious food and good company –for a great cause! We feed the body to enliven the soul. We will ask at this event for your help in assisting us in the much-needed renovation of our 63-year-old kitchen. Reserve your seat today and enjoy the catering talents of Chefs For Hire under an elegant banquet tent. You may even choose to wander our sacred paths. The theme this year is “Leading Others in Spirituality.”

**Table Sponsorships and Individual Tickets
are available. Contact Marian at ext. 322**

Spring Scripture Study: *Scripture Alive*

March 10, 24, 31 & April 7. 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Cost is \$50 for all four sessions.

Presented by Fr. Matthew Roche, SJ

Sometimes it's hard to get a grasp of the Sunday liturgical readings. Sign up for Fr. Matt Roche's scripture instruction on the Gospel of St. Matthew, which is used for this year's Masses.



In Loving Memory

Each month we remember our benefactors with Mass. In a special way we remember our friends who have gone home to the Lord. We remember and pray for George Kilcoyne, Mary Margaret Lask, John Somers and Marie Kishel. Please let us know when you lose a loved one, and we will add them to our Mass intentions.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

February

February 2. Colors in the Meadow.

Water Coloring at JRH. 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. \$50.

February 5. Evening Prayer For Men: "How to Pray"

Fr. Matthew Roche, SJ. 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm. \$15.

February 11. "Learning to Pray Again - For the First Time" Dr. Andrew Kereky. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. \$25

February 14 - 16. Rosary Hall AA Men's Retreat. Fr. Jim Schmitz. \$ 155.

February 24. Morning Prayer for Women.

Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, SC. 9:30 am -10:45 am. \$5.

February 27. "Tap" into the Jesuit Retreat House.

Great Lakes Brewery Tasting Room. 6 - 8 pm. \$20.

March

March 11. Lenten Luncheon: "Being Catholic in a Season of Change"

Paul V. Murphy. 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. \$25.

March 19. "St. Joseph a Model for Trusting in God During Turbulent Times"

Fr. Joseph Previte. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. \$25.

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Philip Metres, Ph.D. 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. \$15

March 28 - 30. Women's Lenten Retreat: "Forgiveness & the Penitent Woman: Her Legacy of Love"

Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, SC. & Fr. Matt Roche, SJ. \$155

March/April

March 30. Lenten Concert. 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm. \$10

April 4 - 6. Men's Lenten Retreat: "Forgiveness"

Fr. Matthew Roche, SJ. \$155.

April 7. Lenten Luncheon: "Our Sons' Inner Lives: On Faith, Ignatius Loyola, and Other Boys"

Fr. William Murphy, SJ. 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. \$25

April 14 - 18. Holy Week: Individually Directed Retreats.

5 Day Silent Retreat with Spiritual Direction. \$325.

April 17. Holy Thursday: Presentation on the Eucharist and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Free-will offering.

(Poustinia Days offered on both Thursday and Friday)

April 18. Good Friday: Presentation on the Passion and the praying of the Stations of the Cross.

9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Free-will offering.

April 23. Post Easter Celebration

Evening program for new Catholics.

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. \$15.

May

May 5. JRH Day Retreat.

Facilitator TBA. 9:00 am - 9:00 pm. \$25.

May 9. Hearts on Fire. JRH Annual Fundraiser.

Contact Marian Rubin, 440-884-9300 ext. 322

May 19. Morning Prayer for Women.

Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, SC. 9:30 am - 10:45 am. \$5

*Do you know the number one reason
people sign-up for a retreat?*

Because someone like you personally invited them!
Encourage friends and family to make a retreat at JRH!

Retreat Registration Form

Please send full payment along with this registration form to

Jesuit Retreat House, 5629 State Rd / Parma, OH 44134 or register online at www.jrh-cleveland.org.

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