



Longer Retreats, 2018-19

Guided Retreat:

"Spirituality on Film (Part Two): Portraits in Holiness"

**October 22-28, 2018 AND
July 14-20, 2019**

Michael Laratonda FMS

\$475 (\$75 deposit)

**"...for Christ plays in ten
thousands places"** – Gerard
Manley Hopkin

This silent guided retreat is new in theme, while also continuing the theme of spirituality as expressed in film art as parable. Through the format of morning presentations and evening film screenings

(all new), our exploration of various 'portraits in holiness' will

hopefully lead us to personal prayer (with suggestions available each day). Daily Eucharist will also be celebrated.

Presentations will include

- *The 'voice of God's heart' – the 'heart of God's voice'*
- *Desire for—and the qualities of—'the divine spark'*
- *Pathways of holiness – and un/holiness*
- *Sacred sexuality/sensuality – God's holy gift*
- *The challenges of 'communal/societal charity'*
- *Holy justice and holy peace: 'a tender compassion'*

Please bring a Bible and notebook or journal.

Triduum Retreat

April 18-21, 2019

\$175 (\$50 deposit)

Come and experience in a personal way JESUS as Eucharistic Lord, Crucified Lord and Risen Lord. Journey through the services of Holy Week in a contemplative environment with opportunities for quiet reflection and private prayer.

Preached Retreat:

"When the Holy One leads us where we do not want to go"

May 17-23, 2019

Fr. Tom Hartle OFM

\$475 (\$75 deposit)

What to do when we are taken into the "mess" of our lives and find that we have to sit there.

This retreat invites us to be still and be present to the God of love, mercy and compassion who is always with and among us.

Preached Retreat: "In the Name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"

June 10-16, 2019

Anne Amati OSF

\$475 (\$75 deposit)

Straddling the Solemn Feasts of Pentecost and the Most Holy Trinity, our retreat will consider the Holy Mystery of God Who

draws utterly near to us and shares history with us in overflowing Love and Communion. Through input, images and names for God from spiritual writers past and present, contemplative quiet time, music, poetry and art, we will be invited to ponder and offer praise to God who creates and saves us through the Incarnate Word, Jesus Christ, and the action of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Guided Retreat: A Retreat with Thomas Merton and Henry Nouwen

July 22-28, 2019

Fr. Anthony Ciorra

\$475 (\$75 deposit)

Our retreat Guides will be two men who understood our lives and the deepest longings of our hearts. The times in which we live demand imagination, seeing God, the world and ourselves in a new way.

Merton and Nouwen were open to the Spirit that brought them to new and unexpected places. Their writings and spirits will guide us during this retreat.



Guided Retreat

“Once Upon A Time”: Parables of the Magic Kingdom

August 12-18, 2019

Clare D’Auria OSF

\$475 (\$75 deposit)

“Pull your chair up to the precipice and I will tell you a story.” Using this challenging invitation offered by novelist F. Scott Fitzgerald as a context, this retreat will invite those of us who are “young at heart” to sit at the edge of some of our most treasured childhood fairy tales. Listening again to these stories, while also attentive to the parables of Jesus recounted in the Gospel of Matthew, we will discover the truly “happy endings” that can come to women like ourselves who wear glass slippers, look into mirrors, and ply spindles for the sake of the kingdom of God.

Directed Retreat

August 2-8, 2010

Mary Walsh OSF, Kathleen Gannon OSF, Marion Lynch OSU, Therese Firenze OSF

\$475 (\$75 deposit)

This silent retreat offers a contemplative setting and daily spiritual direction with a certified spiritual director. Daily Mass is offered each day in Our Lady of Angels Chapel.

SPECIAL RETREATS

Franciscan Solitude Extended Experience

(at Clare House and the Hermitages)

June 10-16 2019

Arrival: 6:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Departure: 10:00 a.m.

Jean Ustasiewski OSF

\$475 (\$75 deposit)

This experience invites you to sit at the feet of Jesus as you enter into a solitude based on the Gospel images of Martha and Mary. Following St. Francis of Assisi’s insights wherein all of your needs are tended to, Franciscan solitude offers an opportunity to be deeply attentive to Jesus while sharing your experi-

ence with others who seek peace and quiet in their busy lives. Those attending this experience will be residing in the hermitages while meals, etc., will be shared in Clare House.

T’ai Chi Chih Retreat

August 25-30, 2019

Antonia Cooper OSF

\$425

This retreat will focus on Spirituality, since T’ai Chi Chih is a Spiritual Practice. These extended days of retreat will provide time and experience for participants to sink more fully into the essence of Tai Chi Chih. The full TCC form will be taught with special emphasis on the last 10 moves. No prior experience is necessary. The learning experience will encompass instruction, practice sessions, spirituality and reflection. Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes or socks. Beginners and all levels of experience are welcome.

Registration Directions

For Sumer Retreat

Please use a registration form when registering for a Summer Retreat. Please **include your deposit** to guarantee your space on the retreat.

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You can also register online at our website:

www.fscaston.org (Search for the retreat you want under the Events /Retreat Tab.)

