



Dear Friends of Christ the King Retreat House,

As we begin this Lenten season of preparation for the Christian journey I am asking for your help. Christ the King Retreat House is dependent on the donations of all of us in order to continue its mission of providing an environment and opportunities for spiritual and personal growth.

Our Lenten sacrifice, enables the Retreat House to offer healing and peace to thousands of individuals each year. College students are welcomed to continue their faith journey while away from home. Individuals experiencing loss, addiction, adjustment to aging, family matters and so much more discover the spiritual tools helping them grow, develop, and overcome those barriers to a happy and healthy life.

You are also helping to maintain a facility that for years has been a place of comfort and warmth to 9000 visitors annually. Thanks to you, we have been able to make many improvements in recent years adding more comfort and accessibility to our guests' experience. We thank you for your support.

Once again, I ask that you join me in making a gift to our Lenten Appeal. Your donation is a much-needed offering affecting the lives of thousands. I thank you in advance for your kind and generous response.

Sincerely,

Joseph J. Gaglia

Board President

Christ the King Retreat House

Programs and Events

Reservations are required for all events and programs. Please call the retreat house at 315-446-2680, email us at ctkretreat@syrdio.org or register on our website at www.ctkretreat.com



Magician, Mark Correia

FEBRUARY

Valentine's Day Dinner

Thursday, 2/14

Treat your Valentine and/or yourself to a delicious dinner and be amazed by magician, Mark Correia. Join us for this memorable evening and support Christ the King Retreat House in our continued efforts to bring growth, healing and peace.

Social begins at 6 pm. Dinner at 6:30. Magic show following dinner.: \$55 per person. Limited Seating.

Mark Correia is a world renowned comedian, magician, and world record holder with over seventeen years of experience. After specializing in comedy and drama at the prestigious National Theatre School of Canada he began making a name for himself across the globe. Mark has performed all over Canada and the United States as well as internationally.



MARCH



Lenten Day of Reflection with Sr. Kathleen Osbelt

Wednesday, 3/6, 10 am - 3 pm



Days of reflection are gifts we give to ourselves for the purpose of “Coming Home to Ourselves”. A day of reflection is an opportunity to draw away from the distractions of every-day, put oneself in a different environment, and look at who one is before and in God. “Coming home to oneself” means that one can walk around inside one’s heart, looking at what is there, and finding God’s love within it. *Offering: \$30 includes lunch.*

Sister Kathleen is founder of Francis House a home for the terminally ill. She has given retreats, days of reflection, and numerous lectures on prayer, solitude, the Franciscan way of life, mystics, and spirituality.



APRIL

Happy Easter!



MAY

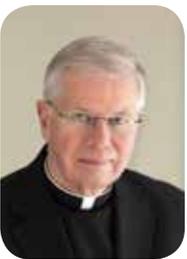
Recovery Retreat

Friday - Saturday, 5/3 - 5/5 - Rescheduled from April

For all those working the 12-Step Program, this weekend will provide a spiritual perspective. Activities include conference, small group meetings, times of fellowship and quiet time for prayer and reflection. Directed by **Paul Curtin**, Alcohol Counselor. Registration begins at 5 pm on Friday with dinner at 6 pm. Retreat ends after breakfast on Sunday. *Offering: \$160, Commuters \$80.*

Spirituality of Aging

Tuesday, 5/7 - 10 am - 3pm



“Hurts, Regrets and Moving On” Facilitator: **Msgr. Robert Yeazel**. As we age, we often carry memories of hurts and regrets with us. There is a way of “moving on” from this baggage that often keeps us from fully enjoying the present” Come and hopefully find the key that helps us “let go and enjoy life”. *Offering: \$30 includes lunch.*

Msgr. Yeazel, retired, served as vicar general for the Syracuse Diocese. He also served as a diocesan chancellor, vicar for priest personnel and regional vicar. Msgr. Yeazel was elevated to Honorary Prelate by Pope Benedict. He currently helps out at Holy Family Parish in Fairmount, NY.

A MESSAGE

from Fr. John Rose

Dear Friends,



After 47 years of priestly ministry and six fruitful years at The Retreat House I have discerned a call to retire. During my years at CTK I have met many people from around CNY and from parts of our country far and wide who have come to make retreats. My life has been enriched by your presence and sharing of your faith

journey. You have helped me grow deeper in my faith. Hopefully I have assisted you in some small way in deepening your own spiritual growth. It has been a privilege for me to try to facilitate this growth, both in our gatherings, and one on ones, as well as creating an environment for you that is conducive to prayer and transformation.

CTK is a special place. Some of you have discovered us recently, others have been attending programs here regularly for years. Notably for the past two years there has been a steady growth in the number of people staying with us for two or three days or more for silence and solitude. We consistently work to create spaces of quiet to facilitate the awakening and new consciousness that takes place in the silence of God and with the God of silence.

There is a quiet, silent movement of the Spirit that is happening at CTK and other spirituality centers. John of the Cross would use the image of a river to describe this movement. He would compare the silence of the spiritual life, which consoles, to the deep, silent movement of a river which runs far below the surface. In contrast he would compare our experiences of desolation to the muddy turbulent flow of a river on the surface.

Amidst the noise, busyness and divisiveness in our culture God hides in the inner chambers of our hearts. In the silence we come to a place of interior knowledge where “we know without knowing”. Only in the silence do we hear the voice of God speaking to us in our inner hearts.

Please continue to support The Retreat House with your prayer, by attending our programs, and by supporting us with your donations. All three of these are critical to our being self-sustaining. With your support we will continue to thrive. Retreat houses are needed now more than ever to anchor us in God who is the ground of all being.

For me, my retirement is a life passage and an adventure. For you, it means a transition. For all of us it is a letting go. We have a gifted new director who will carry on the Spirit. Let us continue the journey and see how God wishes to lead us.

With a grateful heart to all of you,

Fr. John Rose

Mother's Day Mass and Breakfast

Sunday, 5/12 - 10 am - 1 pm

Gather the "Family" together to join in the Liturgy, and then treat Mom and the rest of the family to a delicious brunch. Avoid those lines at the restaurants. Bring Mom to the peaceful atmosphere of the Retreat House and have a relaxed meal. Walk the grounds together! *Offering: \$15 per adult; \$7 for children under 12, under 5 year of age-no charge.*

JUNE



Clergy Retreat with Fr. Lou Sogliuzzo, S.J.

Monday - Friday, 6/10 - 6/14



"Where is the Spirit leading you?" The human cost of loving as God loves is to face the power of love in hard times, in the face of absurdity. Offering: \$450, Commuters: \$250. A \$100 non-refundable deposit required and a \$50 non-refundable deposit for commuters is required. *Registration begins on Monday at 5 pm with dinner at 6 pm. Retreat ends at 11 am on Friday.*

Reverend Louis Sogliuzzo, S.J. was ordained a Jesuit priest at Fordham University in 1987, eight years after first entering the Jesuit Order's Northeastern Province. In 1988, he became a member of the North American Forum on the Catechumenate. During his tenure with this national organization, he "perfected his commitment to the work of reconciliation through the Remembering Church Experience." Fr. Sogliuzzo subsequently joined the Jesuit Community at LeMoyne College, as head of the College Campus Ministry team. Continuing with a particular focus on his commitment to Ignatian Spirituality, Fr. Sogliuzzo serves as a staff member of the Spiritual Renewal Center.

Annual Day of Renewal for Separated and Divorced

Saturday, 6/22 - 8am - 4 pm

There will be an uplifting keynote, empowering workshops and small group sharing that will equip you to rise above the issues encountered through separation and divorce. Workshops include: Helping Our Children, Healing through Journaling, Money Matters, God's Promises and more. You will have an opportunity to talk 1:1 with a Priest and attend healing Liturgy. **Registration is \$45 which includes a delicious lunch, fellowship and the workshops of your choice.** Scholarships are available to make the experience affordable for all. *To register or learn more simply reach out to Deacon Dean Brainard 314-472-6754. or email dbrainard@syrdio.org.* Please share this information with anyone you know who might be interested. **All are welcome.**

"Peace I leave you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world give do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid" – John 14:27

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Silent Preached Retreat with Brother Michael Laratonda, FMS

Sunday - Friday, 6/23 - 6/28



“Haunted By God: Echoes On The Journey” This silent guided retreat will combine morning presentations on being ‘haunted by God’ with several film screenings offering key insights through the visual art of storytelling. Presentations will ‘touch into’ major themes in order to notice: “Where am I today? What is God inviting me to now in my spiritual journey?” **Offering: \$475, Religious: \$450, Commuters: \$250. A \$100 non-refundable deposit required and a \$50 non-refundable deposit for commuters is required.**

Brother Michael Laratonda, FMS is a member of the Marist Brothers. He initially ministered as a secondary school teacher and guidance counselor for many years. He has also been a chaplain for elders in California prior to becoming Co-Director of Wellsprings, a sabbatical/renewal program (now closed) in Glens Falls, NY. He is presently involved in retreat ministry, spiritual direction, Chapter facilitations of religious congregations, and workshops on various topics about spirituality.

Directed Retreat

Sunday - Friday, 6/23 - 6/28

Open to clergy, religious and laity with an opportunity to meet with an individual experienced director. Directors: Gerry McKeon, SJ, Marise May, OSF and Fr. John Rose. Please specify retreat director preferred when booking. Registration begins at 5 pm on Sunday and retreat concludes on Friday at 11 am. **Offering: \$475, \$450 religious, \$100 non-refundable deposit required.**

Retreat on Anthony DeMello with Sr. Ellie Martinez

Saturday, 6/29, 9 am - 4 pm



“Rediscovery of Life”. Tony will lead us to reflect on ways to nurture happiness as well as the many ways we often obstruct happiness. “We were taught to have desires so intense that we would refuse to be happy unless they were fulfilled.” “If you were not actively engaged in making yourself miserable, you would be happy.” (quotes from DeMello) *Note: This is not a repeat of any previous retreat.* People of

all faiths are welcome and there is no requirement to have attended any previous retreat. **Offering: \$35 includes lunch.**

Sr. Ellie Martinez is a Grey Nun of the Sacred Heart and has given numerous lectures and workshops on Anthony DeMello and his works.

“And he said to them, Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while.’ People were coming and going in great numbers, and they had no opportunity even to eat.” - Mark 6:31

JULY



75th Anniversary Celebration

Thursday, 7/18, 6 pm - 8:30 pm



Join us as we celebrate the Retreat House and all it has meant to the many guests, staff and directors of the past. See the history of the this beautiful mansion, and the history of the retreat center. Evening Prayer by the Bishop, social and dinner included. **This is a CTK fundraiser. Offering: \$75 per person.**

Retreat Weekend with Sr. Melannie Svoboda, SND

Friday-Sunday, 7/19 - 7/21



“Hanging onto Hope”. How do we hang onto our Christian hope amid the gloom and doom that sometimes pervades the daily news—and our personal lives? This retreat explores the virtue of hope and its relation to faith, love, wonder, and courage. Using scripture, short videos, stories, music, and humor, Sister Melannie will suggest ways we can nourish hope in our everyday life and draw closer to

God, the ultimate source of all hope. **Offering: \$250, Religious: \$200, Commuters: \$175. (\$50 non-refundable deposite required).**

Melannie Svoboda, SND, a Sister of Notre Dame of Chardon, OH earned M.A.'s in both English and Spirituality. She has ministered as a teacher, formation director, congregational leader, spiritual director, and writer. Her books include *Everyday Epiphanies*, *When the Rain Speaks*, and *Hanging onto Hope*. Visit her blog “Sunflower Seeds” at www.melanniesvobodasnd.org.





Silent Preached Retreat with Fr. Brad Milunski, OFM

Sunday - Friday, 8/4 - 8/9



“Called to Be Disciples and Prophets” This retreat will focus on key narratives from Sacred Scripture that describe the call of God throughout the sacred history of both the Old and New Testaments and how they illuminate our continuing response to the divine initiative in our own lives. Retreatants will be invited to pray with these biblical texts and characters in light of classic

themes of the spiritual life. *Offering: \$475, Religious: \$450, Commuters: \$250. A \$100 non-refundable deposit required and a \$50 non-refundable deposit for commuters is required.*

Fr. Brad Milunski, OFM Conv., is a friar-priest of the Conventual Franciscans of the Our Lady of the Angels Province who serve in the Diocese of Syracuse. He brings to this retreat a background in and love for Sacred Scripture as well as experience in parish ministry, spiritual direction, and Franciscan seminary formation. Fr. Brad currently lives in Chicago and serves as director of the interprovincial postulancy program of the Conventual Franciscans of the USA and Canada.

Directed Retreat

Sunday - Friday, 8/4 - 8/9

Open to clergy, religious and laity with an opportunity to meet with an individual experienced director. Directors: Marise May, OSF, and Fr. John Rose. Please specify retreat director preferred when booking. Registration begins at 5 pm on Sunday and retreat concludes on Friday at 11 am. *Offering: \$475, \$450 religious, \$100 non-refundable deposit required.*

Senior Picnic Holy Day-Feast of the Assumption of Mary

Thursday, 8/15

(No Minimum age) 11:30 Mass and lunch following. We will gather for Mass followed by a picnic lunch. There will be time to enjoy a garden stroll. *Offering: \$12.*



Retreat Workshop with Jan Phillips

Sunday - Thursday, 8/25 - 8/29



“Beyond Belief: Becoming the Mystics and Prophets We Are Born to Be” Healing the world begins with healing ourselves.

“The greatest service we can render the world is our own self-realization”. This means that we become the greatest light in the world when we master our own ordeals and connect our creative potential with our spiritual power.

Becoming a prophetic person starts with a spiritual practice. Spirit moves from silence to thought to word and action. When our words and actions are rooted in our spiritual commitments, we become a light in the world and a force for good. This workshop is an entry point into our own spiritual intelligence. Using creative exercises, poetry, storytelling and video, we learn the secrets of mysticism and non-duality. We learn how to let go of the fears that have kept us silent and create a life that is full of purpose, spirit and prophetic power. *Offering: \$425, Religious: \$400, Commuters: \$200. A \$100 non-refundable deposit required and a \$50 non-refundable deposit for commuters is required.*

Jan Phillips, author/artist, *No Ordinary Time, Creativity Unzipped, Finding the On-Ramp to Your Spiritual Path, Finding Ourselves on Sacred Ground, There Are Burning Bushes Everywhere, The Art of Original Thinking, Divining the Body, Marry Your Muse, God is at Eye Level, Making Peace, A Waist is a Terrible Thing to Mind.*

OCTOBER



Recovery Retreat Directed by Paul Curtin, Alcohol Counselor

Friday - Sunday, Oct. 4 - 6

For all those working the 12-Step Program, this weekend will provide a spiritual perspective. Activities include conference, small group meetings, times of fellowship and quiet time for prayer and reflection. Registration begins at 5 pm on Friday with dinner at 6 pm. Retreat ends after breakfast on Sunday. *Offering: \$160, Commuters \$80.*

Directed Retreat

Sunday - Friday, Oct. 20 - 25

Open to clergy, religious and laity with an opportunity to meet with an individual experienced director. Directors: Jim Krisher, Lana Riley, Kathy Osbelt, OSF, Mary Ellen Schopfer, CSJ. Please specify retreat and director preferred when booking. Registration begins at 5 pm on Sunday and retreat concludes on Friday at 11 am. *Offering: \$475, \$450 religious, \$100 non-refundable deposit required.*



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Recurring Event

First Friday Reflections and Mass with Fr. Donald H. Karlen

March 1

April 5

May 3

June 7

August 2

September 6

October 4

10 am - 3pm

The day will include an opening devotion, conferences and discussion, Mass with Anointing of the Sick, lunch and Holy Hour with Benediction. **Check our website for theme for each month. Offering : \$25 (includes lunch).**

Pathways to Prayer

9:30 am - 10:30 am

Prayer Group Spiritual passages, private and group prayer, discussion. The group meets the first and third Monday of each month (except on major holidays). **All are welcome! Free Will Offering.**