

# The Retreat House News

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#### Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. -4:00 p.m.



May, June, July, August, September 2013

## What is Evening Prayer and Benediction?

**Evening Prayer** is one of the special "hours" of the daily prayer of the Catholic Church. This daily prayer is officially known as the Divine Office or the *Liturgy of the Hours*. The Divine Office ranks second after the Holy Mass, and before all other prayer devotions, in our liturgy which is the common public worship of the Church.

Prayer for this office occurs during the "canonical hours" at morning, mid -morning, midday, afternoon, evening and at night (before bedtime). Priests are required to pray these "hours" usually with the use of a book known as a "breviary". Lay people are also encouraged to pray this daily prayer and many do so – usually praying only the morning and evening prayer hours

Evening Prayer is centered on the Book of Psalms and is therefore an excellent way to add the prayer of

praise to your daily regimen. Evening Prayer concludes with **Benediction**. Benediction is a devotion to the Holy Eucharist wherein the faithful sing a beautiful and easily learned Latin hymn in honor of the Blessed Sacrament. The priest then raises the monstrance above his head offering the Holy Eucharist as a blessing to all present. The priest will then "repose" the Blessed Sacrament by removing it from the monstrance and placing this Real Presence of Jesus in the tabernacle.

Here at the Spiritual Center, we offer Evening Prayer and Benediction the first Sunday of every month for any person who would like to attend. This prayer begins in the main Chapel with the Rosary at 5:45 p.m. and ends around 6:30 pm. Consider joining us for the Rosary, Evening Prayer and Benediction

Upcoming dates include June 2, July 7, August 4 and September 1.

Warm weather and summer have finally arrived! God stays true to His promise to take care of us. Each year He brings the promise of life with the change of seasons. Retreats and experiences such as those at the Spiritual Center can bring change in mind and heart, which bring us the promise of new life in faith. Come and experience the inspiration of the Holy Spirit; enjoy an event, concert, or retreat this year. Come for a visit and please continue to support us in prayer and talents. May God continue blessings for all!

~Deacon Greg Bornhorst, Board President~



"SUNRISE AT THE SPIRITUAL CENTER"

Photo courtesy of Brent Devitt

#### Events Listing: May, June, July August 2013

Sunday, May 5, 5:45 p.m., "The Rosary, Evening Prayer, and Benediction" will take place in the Chapel.

Tuesday, May 7 & 21, "Piecemakers Craft Group" 9:00 a.m.— 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 14, 7:00 p.m., "Healing Liturgy" will take place in the Chapel.

Sunday, June 2, 5:45 p.m., "The Rosary, Evening Prayer, and Benediction" will take place in the Chapel.

Tuesday, June 4 & 18, "Piecemakers Craft Group" 9:00 a.m.— 3:00 p.m.

Friday, June 7, 7:00 p.m.— Sunday, June 9, 1:00 p.m., Charismatic Retreat, with Fr. Bob Hogan. \$170.00 donation for one person includes a private room & all meals. \$289.00 donation for two people includes a private room & all meals. Please register by May 31. More details for this Charismatic Retreat can be found on page 4.

Tuesday, June 11, 9:00 a.m.— 3:00 p.m. "Yard Work Volunteer Day". Help make the grounds of the Spiritual Center more beautiful by offering a hand on June 11. Volunteers will help spread mulch, pick up sticks, pull weeds, and do other miscellaneous outdoor work. Lunch is provided. Please call by June 9 to let us know you are coming. More information on page 4.

#### There will not be a Healing Liturgy in June.

<u>Thursday, June 13, 10:00 a.m.— 3:00 p.m.— "Server's Picnic"</u> All area Mass servers are invited to participate in this day of fun and fellowship! There is no fee and lunch is provided by the local SERRA club. Please register by June 10. See page 4 for more information.

<u>Saturday, June 15, 8:45 a.m.— 4:00 p.m.— "Pre-Cana"</u> Contact the Family Life Office, Archdiocese of Cincinnati, to register for Pre-Cana at www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/family-life/ or call Josh Danis at 937-492-4449.

Monday, June 24, 1:00 p.m.— Tuesday, June 25, 5:00 p.m. "Leaders for Christ Retreat". This high school youth retreat is sponsored by "Northern Network Youth Ministers". Donation of \$62.00 for one person includes dorm room & all meals; \$87.00 for one person includes private room & all meals. See page 5 for more details and registration information.

Tuesday, June 25, 6:00 p.m.— Thursday, June 27, 5:00 p.m. "CREDO Youth Retreat".

See page 5 for more details about this Sacrament themed youth retreat that returns to the Spiritual Center for its second year!

Tuesday, July 2 & 16, "Piecemakers Craft Group" 9:00 a.m.— 3:00 p.m.

<u>Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 10:00 a.m.</u>— 3:00 p.m. "Kids for Christ". Register for one or all of these fun days with Christ for local youth. \$6.00 donation per child for supplies and snacks. See page 5 for more details.

Sunday, July 7, 5:45 p.m., "The Rosary, Evening Prayer, and Benediction" will take place in the Chapel.

There will not be a Healing Liturgy in July and August.

Friday, July 12, 6:00 p.m.— Sunday, July 14, 3:00 p.m., "Camp Bearable"

Contact Susan Knouff at 937-548-2999 for more information or to register

for this wonderful, healing retreat for children that have lost a loved one.

Monday, July 15, 11:00 a.m.—Friday, July 19, 1:00 p.m., "Praying in Color Retreat". See page 6 for more information on this retreat led by Dr. Jane Steinhauser and Sr. Wanda Smith.

Monday, July 22, 4:30 p.m.— Friday, July 26, 1:00 p.m., "The New Evangelization: The Role of Women in the Gospel of Luke" presented by Fr. Clarence Williams, C.PP.S. Please register by July 8. See page 6 for more details.

Sunday, August 4, 5:45 p.m., "The Rosary, Evening Prayer, and Benediction" will take place in the Chapel.

Tuesday, August 6 & 20, "Piecemakers Craft Group" 9:00 a.m.— 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 7, 4:30 p.m.— Saturday, August 10, 1:00 p.m. "Personally Directed Retreat" led by Spiritual Companion Judy Mescher. See page 6 for more information on this silent retreat that focuses on "Our Lady of Fatima".

<u>Friday, August 9, 7:30 p.m. "Fatima Event USA 2013".</u> See page 6 for more information about this outdoor Mass with Father Rob Muhlenkamp.

Sunday, August 11, 6:00 p.m. "Matt Maher and Audrey Assad" in concert at the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein. See page 7 for details and ticket information.

#### "Living a Life in Union with the Holy Spirit"

Join Retreat Master, Fr. Bob Hogan, (San Antonio, TX) for a Charismatic Retreat Friday, June 7 through Sunday, June 9.

The retreat will include five presentations as well as daily Mass that will help equip, encourage, empower, and energize your journey with Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Father Bob served as the Chairman of the National

Catholic Charismatic Renewal and now devotes his time to ministry in the Charismatic Renewal throughout the country.

To register for this retreat call 419-925-7625 or register online at www.spiritualcenter.net



1 Person: \$170 donation includes 2 nights in a private room, 5 meals & retreat.

2 People: \$289 donation sharing private room with full sized bed and includes 2 nights, 5 meals per person, & retreat.

Commuter: \$72 donation includes 5 meals & retreat.

Register by May 31.

Friday, June 7 beginning at 7:00 p.m. through Sunday, June 9 at 1:00 p.m.



Join Retreat Master Fr. Bob Hogan for a Charismatic Retreat June 7-9!





#### YARD WORK VOLUNTEER DAY

Please consider joining us

<u>June 11</u>

from 9:00-3:00 to help clean up the grounds of the Spiritual Center! Confirmation candidates consider using this as your service hours.

All are welcome! bring your rakes and gloves!

Lunch is provided please let us know you are coming by calling 419-925-7625.

If it rains, call before coming to see if we are cancelling.

There is no cost for this event

## Mass Servers—We're having a picnic just for you! June 13th 10:00-3:00

All area Mass servers are invited to a day of fun

#### Thursday, June 13 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

The local SERRA Club will be helping out and providing lunch for the day!

There will be prayer, lots of games, food, and fun!

Grab your friends and come to this year's Servers' Picnic!

It promises to be a great time!

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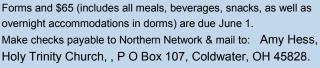


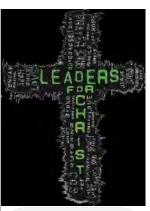
Nearly 600 area junior high youth participated in "Spiritual Survivor" April 17. The event, sponsored by Northern Network Youth Ministers was a huge success! Look on the Spiritual Center's Facebook page for more fun pictures!



# Leaders For Christ Youth Retreat June 24 beginning at 1:00 p.m. ending June 25 at 5:00 p.m.

Leaders for Christ (LFC) is a Catholic, spiritual, and leadership retreat for youth from parishes and schools in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Youth who are presently serving in leadership roles or who have leadership potential are encouraged to participate in this program of spiritual formation, community-building, and leadership development, as well as fun with a purpose. Participants will be invited and encouraged to stay for the CREDO retreat (see below) to apply what they've learned and to serve as one of Christ's leaders. Permission forms are available through any area youth minister or by stopping in at the Spiritual Center during office hours.







June 25 (6:00 p.m.) -

June 27 (5:00 p.m.)



Sponsored by the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, Archdiocese of Cincinnati

CREDO is a Eucharist-centered retreat and discipleship experience that gives young people an opportunity to grow in relationship with Christ. There will be prayer, liturgy, dynamic speakers, small group discussions and time at the Shrine of the Holy Relics.

Commuters: \$60 donation per person (does not include breakfast)

Dorm Room: \$115 donation per person

Registrations will be accepted until June 14. Forms can be downloaded from:

www.catholiccincinnati.org/credo-north-2013/registration/

"All your sons shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children."

Isaiah 54:13

#### KIDS FOR CHRIST 2013

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16 10:00-3:00

Children in grades K-4 are invited to participate in these days of faith and fun! Come for one or all of the days!

Please bring a sack lunch. Snacks will be provided.

\$6.00 donation per child for supplies and snacks. Register by Monday of each week.



#### "PRAYING IN COLOR RETREAT"

Explore new ways of praying and become closer to God at

"Praying in Color"

Monday, July 15 (11:00 a.m.)-

Friday, July 19 (1:00 p.m.)

Be assured that absolutely no artistic talent is required!
The retreat, led by Sr. Wanda Smith and Dr. Jane Steinhauser,
will be reflective and prayerful with opportunities for
silence and sharing.

\$495 donation includes private accommodations, meals and materials. Please register by July 1 by calling 419-925-7625.

"The New
Evangelization,
The Role of Women
in the Gospel of
Luke"

A Retreat Presented by Fr. Clarence Williams

Monday, July 22,

4:30 p.m. until

Friday, July 26,

1:00 p.m.

Join Fr. Clarence as he guides you through Luke's Gospel where you find women mentioned more often than in any other Gospel. Spend time in prayer, community with others, attend Mass daily on this week long retreat.

\$325/person (overnight) \$145/person (commuters) Please register by July 8.



"Personally
Directed
Retreat"

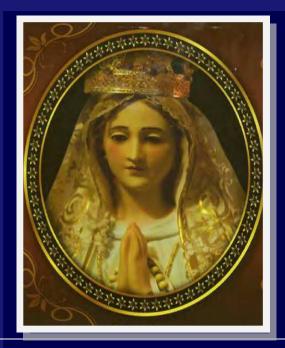
led by Judy Mescher

Wednesday, August 7, 4:30 p.m. until Saturday, August 10, 1:00 p.m.

This silent retreat will provide retreatants the opportunity to engage in their own private prayer and also to meet daily with spiritual companion Judy Mescher. Daily reflection sheets will be provided. Participants are encouraged to attend the FATIMA Mass Friday and the retreat will conclude by gathering on Saturday for a final discussion and lunch.

\$239 donation includes a private room all meals, and spiritual companion.

Please register by July 15 by calling 419-925-7625



### FATIMA U.S.A. 2013

The Spiritual Center is proud to host

"A Tribute to Our Lady of Fatima"

Friday, August 9 at 7:30 p.m.

The event will begin with Mass led by
Fr. Rob Muhlenkamp, a native of Coldwater,
OH. After dark, a lighted Rosary will begin to
form on the grounds as each prayer is prayed
over an intercom for all to hear. The event will
conclude with a procession around the grounds
of the Spiritual Center.

A statue of Our Lady of Fatima shipped from Portugal is used for the celebration.

Bring your rosary, lawn chair, and flashlight for this most prayerful event.

Donations accepted for candles and holders.

Call us at 419-925-7625

to register for events or retreats

['sæŋktəs] (Latin: "holy") Because it is written, "YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY." 1Peter1:16

**FEATURING** 

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**SUNDAY** 

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AUGUST 11, 2013

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\$15 Plus surcharge

Sponsored by the Northern Network of Catholic Youth Ministers & The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein



4PM Gates open - 6PM Audrey Assad - 7PM Matt Maher

~Food and drinks will be available for purchase~

Lawn chairs and blankets welcome! COOLERS ARE PROHIBITED!

Tickets available online @www.itickets.com \$15 online; \$20 day of event

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The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein... Strengthening your life through a heritage of faith.

#### The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein Mission Statement

We are Christians dedicated to serving the Lord, each other, families, parishes, and communities.

We believe in God the Creator, His son Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit, who guides us through the magisterium of the Catholic Church with its scripture and traditions and through the intercessions of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Through the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein, we provide opportunity for spiritual growth, social development and community service. We will do this through facilities, staff, and programs.

> Visit our website at www.spiritualcenter.net Call to register for retreats at 419-925-7625

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