

SPIRITUAL CENTER FACTS AND NEEDS...

The Maria Stein Retreat House has 73 bedrooms and over 50 dorm beds, while the Montezuma Retreat House has 6 bedrooms and 50 dorm beds. Both buildings have multiple conference rooms and each has a beautiful Chapel. When guests stay at either Retreat House, they are served fresh meals daily by staff members. This year, 29,429 meals were served by the staff with lunch being the most served meal. After guests leave, more staff arrives and the cleaning begins. There are over 100 toilets between the two buildings and each bedroom has towels and linens to be laundered. As you can imagine, that is a lot of cleaning and laundry each week!

After the Covid shutdown, it took quite a while for groups to start having retreats again. In 2023, both Retreat Houses have seen an increase in retreats with a total of almost 11,000 guests.

Fifteen Catholic High Schools currently come throughout the school year. Some schools have retreats once a year, while others come as many as four times a year. Some retreats are one night, while the majority are three nights and four days. These schools come from as close by as Lima and Sidney to as far away as Sandusky, Toledo, Columbus, Dayton, and Ft. Wayne. Other retreats that take place throughout the week include seminaries, church staff retreats, and priest retreats just to name a few. Weekend retreats vary greatly and include parish youth groups, women's and men's church retreats from all denominations, as well as many other types of retreats. Many groups arrive by charter or school buses, leaving the Retreat House parking lots nearly empty, while filling the buildings to capacity.

The Retreat Houses continue to strive to be a place that people of all ages and faiths can visit. Without the prayer and support of donors, improvements to the inside and outside of both properties would not be affordable. This year the Spiritual Center Retreat House is focusing on renovations and are seeking donations for several specific needs. Please prayerfully consider donating in some way.

The Retreat House
SPIRITUAL CENTER OF MARIA STEIN & MONTEZUMA



CUT OFF AND MAIL TO:

THE SPIRITUAL CENTER OF MARIA STEIN
2365 St. Johns Road Maria Stein, OH 45860

*I believe in the mission of the Spiritual Center and I want to support this ministry.
Enclosed is my donation of...*

\$2500 - "Sponsor a Room" - your donation will help offset the cost of renovating one bedroom in Maria Stein.

_____ I am a new donor and would like to donate in memory or honor of: _____

_____ I have previously donated and would like to again sponsor room # _____ in honor/memory of _____

\$1500 - "Sponsor a Door" - your donation will offset the cost of a new exterior door in the Maria Stein Retreat House.

All doors are original and are showing signs of rotting. Each door will have a placard beside it recognizing the donor.

Sponsor a door in honor/memory of _____

\$1000 - "Sponsor a Mattress" - your donation will pay for a new mattress in the Maria Stein Retreat House.

Some existing mattresses are over 20 years old.

\$850 - "Sponsor a Glider Rocker" on the new patio at Maria Stein in honor/memory of _____

\$300 - "Sponsor a Conference Room Chair" - your donation would purchase a new sitting chair for guests in the conference rooms.

\$200 - "Sponsor a Dorm Mattress" in the Maria Stein Retreat House Dorms.

\$100 - "Sponsor a Painting" to be hung in the Maria Stein private bedrooms. Many of the rooms have only blank walls.

_____ - Donate any amount to be used for any ongoing projects in either location. Other things being "saved up" for include additional cabinets and storage in the dining area; a cappuccino/hot chocolate machine for guests; and updates in the public restrooms; plus a new roof will eventually be needed in Montezuma.

Please Print

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please send me more information on: Volunteering Planned Giving Opportunities

Thank You!

All donations are tax deductible.