



MERCY BY THE SEA
RETREAT AND CONFERENCE CENTER

2020 Retreats & Summer Sabbath

updated on 3/5/2020

Requests for specific directed retreats/directors opened on Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Registration for Summer Sabbath, Enter the Chaos and the Guided retreat on Catherine McAuley's Suscipe opened on 1/8/2020

\$250.00 non-refundable deposit will be required once we confirm your reservation.

Final payment is due 30 days prior to arrival date.

Please note the cancellation policy on your registration form.

Retreats and Summer Sabbath begin with supper at 5:30 p.m. on first night of retreat and ends with breakfast and check-out at 10 a.m. the last day of retreat.

Holy Week Directed Retreat: Palm Sunday – Holy Thursday

Sunday, April 5 – Thursday, April 9, 2020

\$400.00

Gail O'Donnell, RSCJ

Claire Rusowicz

Enter the Chaos: Engaging Our Differences to Make a Difference

with Nancy Sylvester, IHM, Margaret Galiardi, OP and Vernice Solimar, PhD

Thursday, April 30, 1:30 pm – Sunday, May 3, 2020, 1:30 pm

\$500 single occupancy; \$465/per person double occupancy

You can register on-line: <https://programs.mercybythesea.org/CourseCatalog/ScheduleView.asp?ScheduleId=3248>

“We draw on the power of God’s call from the future to summon the strength needed to engage in this transformative process in the service of the whole.” – Nancy Sylvester, IHM, founder of ICCD

Join us by the healing waters at Mercy by the Sea for an important new program offered in co-sponsorship with the Institute for Communal Contemplation and Dialogue (ICCD). This program is designed to deepen our interior life through contemplative processes. From this contemplative stance, our intention is to integrate the skills learned in order to engage persons with different worldviews including family, friends and colleagues and to heal the polarization and impasse we experience. While it is more workshop than retreat, it is grounded in the contemplative and it is timely.

Directed Retreat – 6 days (includes Memorial Day)

Saturday, May 23 – Friday, May 29, 2020

\$535.00

Shirley Agnew, RSM

JoAnn Bourquard

Sue LaVoie – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Andrea Minelli

A Guided retreat with Mary Pat Garvin, RSM

Catherine McAuley's Suscipe: Prayer of a Social Mystic

Sunday, June 14 – Sunday, June 21, 2020

\$625.00

Catherine McAuley, Founder of the Sisters of Mercy, was a *social mystic* – a woman whose relationship with Jesus had direct social implications for the people of her day. As followers of Jesus in the tradition of Catherine we too are *social mystics* -- Sisters of Mercy, Associates and Companions in Mercy -- whose relationship with Jesus has direct social implications for those we serve in our various ministries.

During this guided retreat we will explore Catherine's *Suscipe*, listening attentively with the "ear of our hearts" to the fresh and encouraging words she wishes to share with us. Renewed and refreshed in Mercy we will go forth to face the issues of our own time with Catherine's depth of imagination and courage.

Directed Retreat

Sunday, June 28 – Sunday, July 5, 2020

\$625.00

Joannie Cassidy, SSJ – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Judy Fortune, RSM – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Ann Rodgers, CP

Carol Villaggio

Directed Retreat - This retreat is fully booked; waiting lists being taken.

Sunday, July 5 – Sunday July 12, 2020

\$625.00

Anne Kappler, RSM – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Lisa Irish – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Honora Nicholson, RSM – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Mary Trainer, RSM – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Edward Quinnan, SJ – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Directed Retreat – This retreat is fully booked; waiting lists being taken.

Sunday, July 19 – Sunday July 26, 2020

\$625.00

Patricia Cook, RSM – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Maureen Christensen, RSM – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Kathy McNamara – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Fr. Terry Moran – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Fran Repka, RSM – fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Directed Retreat - This retreat is fully booked; waiting lists being taken.

Sunday, July 26 – Sunday August 2, 2020

\$625.00

Mary Costello, RSM - fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Cathy Murtha, DW - fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Marge Milanese - fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Jan Webb - fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Sue Wieczynski, RSM - fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Summer Sabbath with Andrea Minelli and Carol Villaggio

Week I: Sunday, August 2 – Sunday, August 9, 2020 – waiting list only

\$675.00

Week II: Sunday, August 9 – Friday, August 14, 2020

\$1,250.00 both weeks

\$575.00

Come to the water to renew your connection with life's animating Spirit and recover your potential for joy and peace. Sabbath time can be as unplanned and open as you seek. Time to gather for reflection and prayer will be offered during the week, and spiritual direction is offered by request, not on a daily basis.

Zen Spirit, Christian Spirit: An Interfaith Retreat

Rooms are booked; commuters welcome

Sunday, August 16, 2020 – Saturday, August 22, 2020

with Roshi Robert E. Kennedy, SJ

Single occupancy \$700

Double occupancy \$590 per person

Commuter \$100 per person per day

This is a week-long silent retreat (*Zen sesshin*) during which participants practice seated meditation (*zazen*) together — about 12 25-minute periods per day — as a supportive community, or sangha. Roshi Kennedy and other Zen teachers will provide daily talks (*teishos*) to share Zen insights and to encourage sitting practice, as well as opportunities to meet privately with them (*daisan*) throughout the days.

Silence is observed at all times throughout day in order to deepen experience. Following the final sitting each evening, the liturgy will be offered for all who wish to participate. This is a warm, wholehearted practice of being with ourselves as we are, with things as they occur. The support of devoted teachers and one another encourages the quieting of our minds, the lessening of struggle, and the movement from self-centeredness to life-centeredness. Through this process we taste the richness of human life and become of true benefit to others and our world.

The sesshin will run August 16 – August 22. For those staying onsite, check-in is at 4 p.m. on Sunday with dinner served at 5:30 p.m. Departure is at 10 a.m. on Saturday, August 22.

Directed Retreat Sunday, August 23 – Thursday, August 27

\$400.00

This 5-day directed retreat is designed for individuals not able to take the time for a 7-day directed retreat or who are new to the directed retreat experience.

Susan Blasi

Joannie Cassidy, SSJ

Laura Fitzpatrick-Nager

Directed Retreat

Sunday, August 30 – Sunday, September 6, 2020

\$625.00

Nan Bouche -- fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Margaret Galiardi, OP -- fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Kathleen McAlpin, RSM -- fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Connie Messitt, CSJ -- fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Brother Vincent Pelletier, FSC

Directed Retreat

Sunday, October 25 – Thursday, October 29, 2020

\$400.00

with Patricia Cook, RSM

Directed Retreat

Sunday, October 25 – Sunday, November 1, 2020

\$625.00

with Janet Weber, RSCJ - - fully booked; call to be put on the waiting list

Directed Retreat

Sunday, December 6 – Sunday, December 13, 2020

Winter rate applies

\$610.00

Judy Fortune, RSM

Sue Lavoie

Claire Rusowicz