

PRAYING THE PSALMS INTERFAITH RETREAT & WORKSHOP

BY

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"LET US COME INTO GOD'S PRESENCE WITH THANKSGIVING,
A JOYFUL NOISE TO GOD WITH SONGS OF PRAISE!" -- PSALMS 95:2

LET US MAKE



Center of Renewal Retreat & Conference Center at Stella Niagara
134-scenic acres located only two miles north of the Village of Lewiston and Artpark
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WEEKEND RETREAT MAY 21-23, 2010

Friday dinner (5:00 pm) through Sunday noon lunch ♦ Must pre-register by Friday, May 7th

RETREAT DESCRIPTION: *Psalms can be prayed as individual private, personal prayers, and/or liturgically in community at the Eucharist or Liturgy of the Hours. This weekend retreat-workshop will examine both of these aspects of psalms. "PRAYING THE PSALMS INTERFAITH RETREAT AND WORKSHOP" features a comprehensive schedule of activities along with adequate personal time to apply knowledge and insights gained throughout the retreat. Sessions will include an overview of Psalter, communal celebration of the Prayer of the Church (Liturgy of the Hours), Responsorial Psalmody, Social Justice, music, optional photography and outdoor creation psalms, comparative translations, Vigil of Pentecost, Passover bread-baking and other related rituals, Vespers, Psalms as Christian Prayer, and more. Participants are asked to bring a camera (digital if possible) to take indoor/outdoor photos during the weekend to personally illustrate the Psalms in your life.*

First meal (5:00 pm dinner) on Friday with opening session starting at 7:00 pm. Retreat ends after noon lunch on Sunday. You are welcome to arrive Fri. after 10:00 am and stay later on Sun. for private reflection. **\$174 per person for 2 nights' accommodations, 6 meals, retreat, and a book on praying the psalms. Must register by 3pm Fri., 5/7 to avoid late charge.** Participants have the option of adding nights for an extended private retreat ... **call 716-754-7376 for details.**

SR. CHRISTINE DIENSBERG, OSF, a Stella Niagara Franciscan, holds a Master of Arts in Liturgical Studies from the University of Notre Dame. Past Chairman of the Buffalo Diocesan Pastoral Liturgy Committee for several terms, she also chaired the Buffalo Diocesan Liturgical commission for two terms. She recently published "*The Matter of the Bread Matters*" in the August 2009 issue of *Ministry and Liturgy* magazine. She is retired, and chairs the Liturgical Ministry Committee at St. Benedict's Parish in Amherst. A guitarist, she has composed psalmody and other liturgical music. Her work was also recently featured in the February 2010 *Western New York Catholic*. Join us for a prayer-filled, insightful spring weekend!



REGISTRATION FORM: "PRAYING THE PSALMS" w/Sr. Christine Diensberg, OSF (May 21-23, 2010)

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE/PROV _____ ZIP/POSTAL CODE _____

SPECIAL NEEDS? (PLEASE SPECIFY) _____ ESTIMATED ARRIVAL TIME ON FRIDAY _____ AM/PM

COST ENCLOSED: _____ \$50 non-refundable deposit; mail balance by May 1st (or) _____ \$174 full amount pre-paid

Make checks payable to: CENTER OF RENEWAL. **Mail to:** Center of Renewal – 4421 Lower River Road – Stella Niagara, NY 14144

Phone (716-754-7376) All reservations will be acknowledged via mail. Registrations are due at the Center of Renewal by 5/7/10.