



ST. FRANCIS RETREAT HOUSE

EASTON PENNSYLVANIA

A Place of Peace



2021 Sponsored Retreats

Overall Theme: Encounters with a Wondrous God



July 18 - 23: Icon Writing Retreat with Jody Cole, B.A. Theatre and Art

Icons are sacred images used to tell God's story and lead us to the world of the eternal. Icon writing is considered to be prayer of the hands. The painting is transformed as the image moves from dark to light signifying our own transfiguration as we make our spiritual journey. For many years now, iconographer Jody Cole has led icon writing retreats at SFRH. Beginners, including non-painters, are welcome. An icon of St. Joseph will be painted in honor of the year of St. Joseph. The cost for the retreat includes all necessary art supplies. Suggested offering: \$495.



July 30 - August 1: "Love Endures All Things: 7 Stages of a Healthy Marriage" with Jeanne Hunt, MA

During this interactive retreat weekend, Jeanne will lead us through the seven stages of a healthy marriage with humor and insight. While couples have one beautiful wedding day, at seven times during the journey of their marriage, they will experience seven different marriages. Everything changes, and they will need to review where they are and begin again with another chapter of their lives together. Jeanne Hunt is a mother and grandmother, has authored eight books, and is a frequent author for the Catholic Press. Come and join Jeanne and other participants for a dynamic, humorous, and insightful weekend. Suggested offering: \$215.00.



August 27 - 29: "You are My Beloved Son: Discovering the Heart of the Father" with Fr. Keith Laskowski, M.Div



On this weekend retreat for men, participants will take up the invitation of Jesus Christ, "Come away by yourselves ... and rest a while." Reflecting on the inspired Word of God, we desire to experience a renewed encounter with the living God. We will invite the Holy Spirit to illuminate, to heal, and to renew our hearts so that we can return to live out our vocation as disciples of Jesus Christ. Suggested offering: \$215.00.



October 1 - 3: "Seized by Beauty: Walking the Franciscan Spiritual Path" with Sr. Mary Beth Ingham, CSJ, PhD

This weekend retreat will focus on the centrality of "Beauty" for Franciscan Spirituality. Our reflections will be guided by St. Bonaventure and Blessed John Duns Scotus, as we experience the abundant power of God's love and enter the transformative dynamic to become artists of beauty in our world. Themes include: Seized by Beauty, Creation and God's Extravagant Love, Listen to Your Life, Incarnation, and Artists of Beauty. Come join Sr. Mary Beth, Professor of Philosophical Theology at the Franciscan School of Theology, San Diego, CA, and discover how the pathway of beauty, the via pulchritudinis, is at the foundation of Franciscan life and thought. Suggested offering: \$215.00.



WEEK-LONG RETREAT: ARRIVAL: 4 PM SUNDAY / DEPARTURE: AFTER LUNCH ON FRIDAY

WEEKEND RETREAT: ARRIVAL: 4 PM FRIDAY / DEPARTURE: AFTER LUNCH ON SUNDAYS

Suggested donation for virtual participation for weekend retreats: \$75. **PRICING INCLUDES:** Private room with bath, all meals, and materials. Please notify us with any accessibility needs or special dietary requirements. [No virtual link for icon retreat.]

TO REGISTER: 610-258-3053 x 10, or on our SFRH WEBSITE: www.stfrancisretreathouse.org, please register 14 days prior to the retreat. Thank you. ADDRESS: 3918 CHIPMAN ROAD, EASTON, PA 18045.

NOTE: Scholarship money for those needing assistance to make a retreat is available. Please contact Fr. Henry.