

It is no easy task to walk this earth
and find peace.

Inside of us, it would seem,
something is at odds
with the very rhythm of things and
we are forever restless,
dissatisfied, frustrated,
and aching....

It is hard to come to simple rest...

There is within us
an unquenchable fire,
a desire at the center of our lives,
in the marrow of our bones,
in the deep recesses of the soul.

Ron Rolheiser, Holy Longing



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RETREATS at CHIARA



Come
Hear the invitation
Enter the journey
Choose silence
Perceive mystery
Gaze with the heart
Embrace the questions
Rest in the quiet and peace

Chiara Sponsored Retreats

Throughout the year, we have a series of 1-day or weekend retreats or a weeklong conference retreat on a variety of spiritual topics.

Annual Silent & Directed Retreats

In **June** and **October** Chiara Center provides a silent / directed retreat. A team of spiritual directors provides the opportunity for a one-on-one daily spiritual guidance. Solitude, nature, and silence enhance these sacred days. The retreat can be for three, four, or five days.

Private Retreat

An individual, couple, or small group may schedule a private retreat any time. The retreat may be overnight, several nights, or a week. A spacious guest room, spiritual resources, and meals are available. A request to see a spiritual director during this time must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance.

Visit chiaracenter.org for dates, cost, retreat directors, and registration forms (brochures) for all Retreats.

If you have a smart device, you can scan over this Quick Response Code



A QR code is a symbol that allows one to go directly on-line. Simply open up your camera as if taking a picture. You'll see a link that will take you to our website.



Come



Franciscan hospitality



Healing peace



Reflective spaces



Spacious guest room



300 scenic acres



St. Francis of Assisi Church

Rest

Scheduling time of retreat

To schedule individual or group days of retreat, call Chiara Center to check availability of dates and to discuss your needs for retreat. If the request is regarding a Chiara-scheduled retreat, we will provide a registration form.

Pricing

Cost for Chiara scheduled retreats are determined by type and length of retreat.

Private retreat days are based on 24 hr. periods. Each 24 hr. period includes three meals, guest room, and access to all retreat spaces and resources. Private retreat days can also be a Bed & Breakfast rate if the person wants to provide meals.

Location & Directions

Chiara Center is centrally located in the heartland of Illinois on the northeast end of Springfield just off Interstate 55 (exit 100A).

Questions

We are committed to helping each person create a reflective retreat experience flowing from where you are in life and where God is calling you. Please call us at: 217-523-0901