

COME, LISTEN, BE, RECEIVE



A **Directed Retreat** is a time of prayer, silence and solitude with the daily opportunity to meet with a spiritual director to help unpack what is happening in one's spiritual journey. **Silent Companions** will journey alongside these to personally attend to God's summons in their lives. Both retreatants are invited to reflect on ordinary life, its joys and struggles, experiences of prayer, and the response to all of it. The atmosphere of quiet can lead to a greater knowledge and experience of God and oneself.



Schedule

Check-in is anytime after 3 p.m. on Sunday.

Retreat begins with 5 p.m. dinner and orientation on Sunday and ends with the lunch meal on the final day of the retreat.

Cost

For Directed Retreatants, the cost is inclusive of guest room, food, and spiritual direction.

3 days (Sunday–Wednesday)

4 days (Sunday–Thursday)

5 days (Sunday–Friday)

Registration

To register, please mail the form along with payment at least two weeks prior to Retreat. There is no deposit.

Chiara Center, a Franciscan place of spirituality, is located on 300 scenic acres of the Hospital Sisters of St. Francis outside Springfield, IL. Spacious private guest room, home-cooked meals, walking paths, peaceful reflection areas, and St. Francis of Assisi Church create a perfect retreat environment.

Spiritual Directors

Sister Maureen Fagan, OSF

She is a member of the Hospital Sisters of St. Francis and she received a certificate in Spiritual Direction from the Institute in Spiritual Leadership, Chicago. Her background is in nursing, religious formation, the 12 Steps, and community outreach. She has enjoyed living with and working with others from various cultures—giving her a broad world view.

Sister Anna Phiri, OSF

She is a member of the Hospital Sisters of St. Francis and volunteers in Pastoral Care at HSHS St. Mary's Hospital (Decatur) and OASIS Day Center for the Homeless. In addition, she offers spirituality programs in the Decatur area. She holds a master's degree from Pontifical Gregorian University (Rome) and has studied at Ignatius Jesuit Center (Guelph, Ontario). She enjoys gardening, cooking, reading, sewing, and knitting.

Sister Anita Cleary, OP (Guest Director)

She is a member of the Dominican Sisters of Springfield, serving as a bilingual spiritual retreat director at Jubilee Farm—her congregation's center for Ecology and Spirituality. She holds a master's degree in Earth Literacy and Pastoral Studies from the Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis. She is responsible for Jubilee Farm's llamas alpacas and offers weaving retreats.

Silent & Directed Retreat Registration

October 27–November 1, 2019

June 14–19, 2020

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Special dietary need _____

Handicap Accessible room needed _____

Massage requested _____

PAYMENT—Directed Retreat

___\$369 3 day ___\$463 4 day ___\$556 5 day

PAYMENT—Silent Retreat

___\$233 3 day ___\$302 4 day ___\$371 5 day

_____ Check (Hospital Sisters of St. Francis)

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EVERY MOMENT AND EVERY
EVENT OF EVERY PERSON'S LIFE
ON EARTH PLANTS SOMETHING
IN THE SOUL. MERTON

Chiara Center

Directed retreats are

... silent retreats

...enhanced by beauty and scenic horizons

...one with the Divine in creation

...open to persons seeking to deepen their

relationship with the Divine

..primarily in the Christian tradition

...an invitation to listen to the Spirit

...a journey to inner wisdom

...a spiritual commitment

... a discovery of God in the midst of life



Slow down.
Pay attention.
Be.



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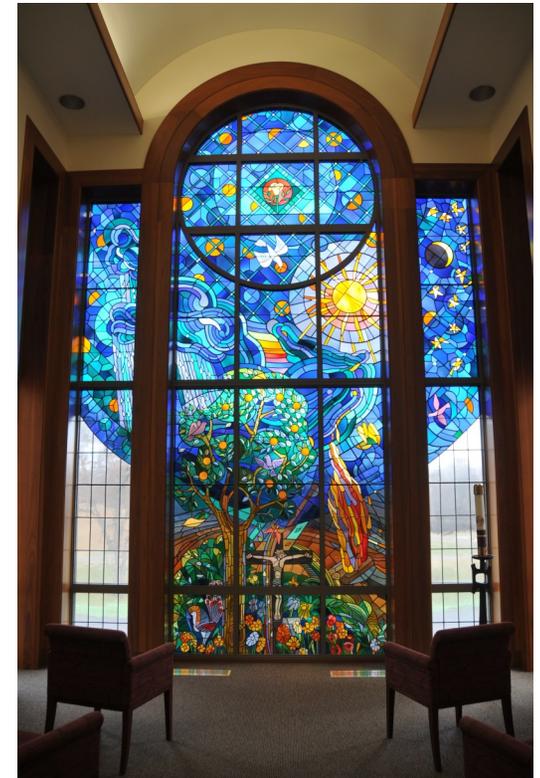
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