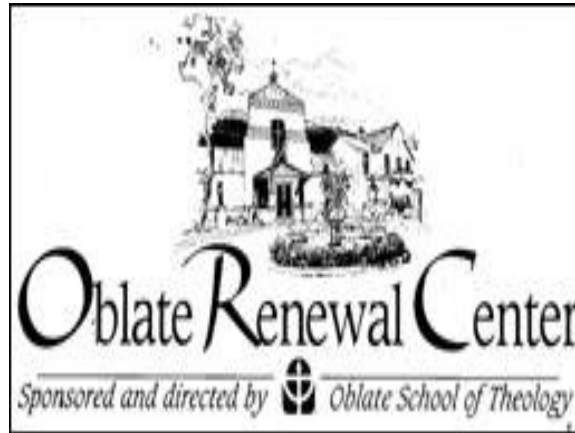


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Upcoming Programs

For

2009—2010

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Advent Day of Prayer

Thursday, December 3, 2009

Be still and know the Advent Joy

Each year we celebrate and rejoice in Jesus' coming anew, not as a baby but in the hidden presence of divinity deep within each of us. Let us experience that "contagious Joy of Expectation", one of Advent's great blessings, as we spend a quiet day of prayer together in preparation for our new inner birth and rejoicing with our Emmanuel, "God With Us". Hope that you can join us.

The day of prayer begins at 9 am and closes at 3 pm with Mass at Joseph's Chapel.

Donation: \$30.00 (includes lunch)

Lenten Day of Prayer

Thursday, March 4, 2010

Fasting to Feasting

Indeed the great Lenten Fast begins with Ash Wednesday, which is itself a day of fast and abstinence. This rises the question: What should be the place and significance of fasting for us? If we want to have a proper appreciation of Christian fasting we need to mention some of the provisos that surround it. These provisos help us to recognize that fasting is about training ourselves to distinguish our needs from our wants. When we fast or abstain we give ourselves a chance to discover what our real needs are. Thus, we are called to take some time to ask ourselves: how is the Lord calling me to fast this Lent? Would you like to come and pray with us to see where God is calling you this year?

The day of prayer begins at 9 am and closes at 3 pm with Liturgy.

Donation: \$30.00 (Includes lunch)

Centering Prayer Retreat

With Rev. Bill Sheehan, OMI

28-31 January 2010

Transforming Power of Divine Love

"In New Seeds of Contemplation" (pages 37-39) by Thomas Merton, states that our discovery of God is in a way God's discovery of us. We only know God in so far as we are known by God." Finding God means much more than just abandoning all things that are not God and emptying oneself of images and desires."

Come and be with us during these days of prayer when we begin again to experience the transformation power of God's love.

Retreat opens Thursday, 28 Jan at 7 pm and ends Sunday morning, 31 Jan at 9:30 am.

Early Registration is recommended.

Check in time: 5:30 pm

No evening meal January 28

Donation: \$150.00.

Call 210 349-4173 for further information.

This is a Silent Retreat

Summer Retreat 2010

6-13 June 2010

With Fr. Steve Vasek, OMI

Desert Wisdom

A man went to the desert in search of a very wise, holy woman. After a long search he found her tent and was welcomed warmly and fed to overflowing with some of the finest food he had ever eaten. When he finally said, "no more! I just cannot eat any more without setting sick." The woman then told him, "you came here in search of wisdom from me, but you are just as full as your stomach is now with the food you have eaten. Before you can eat any more you have to make room for it. In the same way, so many things fill your heart and mind and life that there is not any room for anything I could ever tell you. So, please, let his desert empty you of the stuff that fills you so that you can one day be open to the Wisdom that God wants you to have. During this retreat, we will be invited into the desert not only to discover how much fills us, but to be able to receive the wonderful wisdom that God wants us to have. This retreat will provide us with the opportunity to be still, to let go of the things that fill us, and to receive the amazing wisdom that God alone can give. I look forward to spend these days of June 6-13, 2010 with you.

Personal Days of Prayer

(Check in with one of the Spiritual Directors)

Private or Directed Retreats

Available at any time

Do you need time out from a busy schedule and the stresses in your life? Private retreats are a time for taking a day or several days for a special quiet time to refresh your spirit, to gain a new perspective on things, and rediscover the sacred dimension of life.

Spiritual Direction

Also Available

(Two Spiritual Directors on Staff at Oblate Renewal Center.....Please call 210 349-4173 to make arrangements)

For other Oblate School of Theology continuing education programs that you may wish to attend, go to www.ost.edu or call

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(Ask for Rose Marden)



Registration Form

(Please check the retreat you are interested in)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Advent Day of Prayer	3 December 2009	Deposit \$30.00	TotalCost \$30.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lenten Day of Prayer	4 March 2010	Deposit \$30.00	TotalCost \$30.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Centering Pray Retreat	28-31 Jan 2010	Deposit \$25.00	TotalCost \$150.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Summer Retreat	6-13 June 2010	Deposit \$75.00	Total Cost \$375.00

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If you have any special needs - Please call us (210 349-4173)