

Christ the King Retreat Center

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Spring 2018

CONGRATULATIONS!

FR. RAY KIRTZ, OMI

Fr. Ray Kirtz, OMI, was born on December 17, 1931, and grew up on a farm in Hector, Minnesota. He entered the Oblate seminary system in 1946 and was ordained in 1958.

After ordination, Fr. Ray served in the Philippines for 14 years. After his return to the United States, he served in various parishes in the upper Midwest and was involved in Native American ministry.

In July of 2002, he entered semi-retirement but continued to assist in local parishes and at Christ the King. In recent years, Fr. Ray authored a book entitled *All Creation Works Together*. He is regarded as an expert on creation spirituality.

Fr. Ray is a humble, generous, and unassuming Oblate. He is always ready to help his Oblate brothers. From his early years on the farm, he brings with him some good "fix-it" skills which have benefited many. We are proud of Fr. Ray and congratulate him on his 60 years of priestly service to the Missionary Oblates and the Church!

BR. DAN BOZEK, OMI

Br. Dan Bozek, OMI, was born in Chicago, Illinois, on April 1, 1938. He entered the Oblates formation program in 1956 and made his first profession as a Missionary Oblate on August 15, 1958, in Godfrey, Illinois. After that, he served for 15 years in various Oblate ministries in the Central Province.

In 1973, Br. Dan volunteered for the Oblate mission in Sweden where he assisted in four of our parishes. He soon became the Treasurer for the entire Oblate community in Sweden, Norway, and Denmark. He became interested in iconography, and one of his icons is on his anniversary card. After 35 years in Scandinavia, he returned to the United States and joined the preaching team at Christ the King.

Brother Dan takes care of a myriad of tasks at King's House. He is a master of hospitality and is always ready to help his fellow Oblates and our many retreatants. Congratulations, Br. Dan, on 60 years of religious life!

Come celebrate with Fr. Ray & Br. Dan

Sunday, May 20, 2018 • 2:00 p.m. Prayer Service in the Chapel

RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING PRAYER SERVICE IN THE GARDEN COURT.

Please be sure to introduce yourself to the new member of our preaching team, FR. BOB MORIN, OMI!

AUGUST 2018 THEME: "BE PATIENT IN AFFLICTION"

Patience is one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit, a gift that we are called to cultivate in our daily lives. Affliction has many different faces: it can be a broken family relationship, a wounded self-image, an addiction, rejection, children who no longer practice the faith, or our own physical diminishment.

Our challenge is to see how the hand of God is present in our afflictions and where the seeds of new life are

emerging in these moments. Pope Francis reminds us: "God is patient; God knows how to wait. . ." and so must we. Afflictions and struggle are never the last word.

Join us at King's House as we reflect on the reality that patience is a process of human growth, challenging us to let go, to surrender to God's Love and walk in the Light of Christ.

2018 Silent Retreats

“Take Courage!”

Women’s Retreats

May 18-20 • June 4-7* (4-day, \$200) • July 17-19*

“Be Patient in Affliction”

Men & Women’s Retreats

August 24-26 *Premiere*

Women’s Retreats

September 7-9
September 11-13*
September 14-16
September 25-27*
October 16-18*
November 6-8*

Men’s Retreats

September 21-23
October 26-28
December Nov. 30-Dec.2

Married Couples Retreats

October 12-14

*Midweek retreat

Fr. Bob Morin, OMI, will be joining our preaching team on June 1, 2018. Born and raised in Lowell, Massachusetts, he was ordained to the priesthood on September 6, 1969. Fr. Bob comes to us from Immaculata Retreat House in Willimantic, Connecticut. Most of his ministry has been in preaching retreats and parish missions.

Previous ministries in New England included parish ministry, psychiatric chaplaincy, adult education, counseling, and spiritual direction. He also served as member of the provincial administration of Northern Province of the United States Oblates.

In the Midwest, Fr. Bob preached scores of parish missions. He also served at Oblate parishes in White Earth and St. Paul, the Oblate Novitiate in Illinois, and the Oblate Shrine of Our Lady of the Cape in Canada. *Welcome Fr. Bob!*

Mothers, Grandmothers, Daughters, Sisters, Friends Retreat

WHAT THE STORY OF RUTH AND NAOMI SAYS TO WOMEN OF TODAY

Susan Stabile

Sat., May 5, 2018 • 9:00am - 3:00pm

This retreat day for women will explore what the Book of Ruth has to say to us as women of today – both individually and collectively. Through talks, individual reflection and small group sharing, we will consider both how we have experienced some of our defining moments illustrated by the biblical story and the ways in which the spirit of Ruth and Naomi continue to animate us today.

Suggested Offering: \$50.00 per person (includes lunch)

Marriage Encounter Retreats for 2018

July 13-15 • October 5-7

To make a reservation, call 612-756-8720

Engaged Encounter Retreats for 2018

June 23-24 • October 6-7

To make a reservation, call 651-426-9248

Sisters’ Intercommunity Retreats

TAKE COURAGE!

King’s House Preaching Team

Fri., June 8 – Fri., June 15, 2018

Fri., June 15 – Fri., June 22, 2018

Registration Begins: Friday, June 8 or Friday, June 15 at 3:00pm

Retreat Concludes: Friday, June 15 or Friday, June 22 at 10:00am

Retreat Fee: \$450.00 per person

(A non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 per person is required.)

DIRECTED RETREAT

King’s House Preaching Team

Tue., June 26 – Tue., July 3, 2018

King’s House will again offer a 6-day directed retreat. Each day, besides the celebration of the Eucharist, the retreatant meets with a director to talk about his or her personal journey and experience of God. The rest of the time is spent in solitude and silence, relaxing, praying, reading and reflecting. In the extended time of quiet, one often moves into a deeper listening to God and awareness of God’s presence and action in life. The experience can clarify your dreams, purify your ambitions, expose your foolishness, and refresh your life.

Registration Begins: Tuesday, June 26 at 3:00pm

Retreat Concludes: Tuesday, July 3 at 10:00am

Retreat Fee: \$500.00 per person

(A non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 per person is required.)

Men and Women’s Weekend Retreat

SPIRITUALITY AND THE SEASONS OF OUR LIVES

Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI

Fri., July 6 – Sun., July 8, 2018

There are deeper levels of maturity, deeper levels of discipleship, and ever-deeper things to which we are called by Jesus. The challenges Jesus lays out in Scripture speak to us in different ways at different times in our lives. This retreat will attempt to lay out an overview of both ideal human growth and of spirituality.

Retreat Begins: Friday, July 6 at 8:00pm

Concludes: Sunday, July 8 at 12:45pm

Suggested Offering: \$200.00 per person

(A non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 per person is required.)

Healing Retreat for Men and Women

HEALING THE DEEPEST HURTS WITH CONTEMPLATION

Fr. Matt Linn, SJ

Fri., July 20 – Sun., July 22, 2018

How do we heal the deepest hurts that are too painful to remember or overwhelm us when we can recall them? Carl Jung found that these hurts can be healed through the images of dreams or when awake and contemplating. This retreat will use Ignatian contemplation of the life of Jesus to heal the fear, anger, guilt and shame of our own life. As we walk with Jesus, sharing the Scriptures on our road to Emmaus, our hearts too will have the opportunity to burn within us and return with new life so we can also wisely and compassionately accompany those overwhelmed by trauma.

Retreat Begins: Friday, July 20 at 8:00pm

Concludes: Sunday, July 22 at 12:45pm

Suggested Offering: \$175.00 per person

(A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 per person is required.)

Men and Women’s Weekend Retreat

TAKE COURAGE

Fr. James Kubicki, SJ

Fri., Aug. 3 – Sun., Aug. 5, 2018

The word “courage” has, as its Latin root, the word “cor” or “heart.” So, another way of saying “Take Courage” is to say “Take Heart.” But what does that mean and where do we find the Heart that will give us courage? We find it in the human and divine Heart of Jesus. Through prayer, Scripture, and the Eucharist, we enter more deeply into this Heart which is also described as “meek and gentle.”

Retreat Begins: Friday, August 3 at 8:00pm

Concludes: Sunday, August 5 at 12:45pm

Suggested Offering: \$175.00 per person

(A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 per person is required.)

Men and Women's Weekend Retreat**THE PREMIERE OF
"BE PATIENT IN AFFLICTION"***King's House Preaching Team***Fri., Aug. 24 – Sun., Aug. 26, 2018**

As followers of Christ, our challenge is to see how the hand of God is present in our afflictions and where the seeds of new life are emerging in these moments. Join us at King's House as we reflect on the reality that patience is a process of human growth, challenging us to let go, to surrender to God's Love and walk in the Light of Christ.

Retreat Begins: Friday, August 24 at 8:00pm
 Concludes: Sunday, August 26 at 12:45pm
 Suggested Offering: \$160.00 per person
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 per person is required.)

Serenity (12-Step) Retreat**THE SPIRITUALITY OF THE 12-STEP***Bob Martin***Fri., Sept. 28 – Sun., Sept. 30, 2018**

Bob Martin was the Executive Director of Racine Transitional Care, Inc., in Racine, Wisconsin. He was also the founder of a women's recovery program at the facility. He then moved to Guest House, Inc., a treatment program for Catholic priests and religious, in Rochester, Minnesota. After serving as a counselor, Bob then became Clinical Supervisor, Director of Education, and finally Community Coordinator. He worked at Guest House for over 30 years, giving retreats and seminars throughout the United States and in several foreign countries.

Retreat Begins: Friday, September 28 at 8:00pm
 Concludes: Sunday, September 30 at 12:45pm
 Suggested Offering: \$175.00 per person
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 per person is required.)

Hope Day Retreat**DEALING WITH LOSS***Fr. Lon Konold, O.M.I.**Sr. Brenda Rose Szegedy, O.S.F.***Thu., Oct. 3, 2018 • 9:00am - 3:00pm**

The day will include conferences, time for quiet reflection, optional sharing, celebration of the Eucharist, and the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Suggested Offering: \$40.00 per person (includes lunch)

Married Couples Retreat**BE PATIENT IN AFFLICTION***King's House Preaching Team***Fri., Oct. 12 – Sun., Oct. 14, 2018**

Retreat Begins: Friday, October 12 at 8:00pm
 Concludes: Sunday, October 14 at 12:45pm
 Suggested Offering: \$320.00 per couple
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$60.00 per couple is required.)

DIRECTED RETREAT*King's House Preaching Team***Mon., Oct. 22 – Fri., Oct. 26, 2018**

Registration Begins: Monday, October 22 at 3:00pm
 Retreat Concludes: Friday, October 26 at 10:00am
 Retreat Fee: \$300.00 per person
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 per person is required.)

WEEKEND REGISTRATIONS FROM 4:00PM TO 8:00PM **MIDWEEK REGISTRATIONS FROM 1:00PM TO 3:00PM**

Men and Women's Weekend Retreat**MAKING ALL THINGS NEW:
BECOMING A NEW CREATION***Fr. Joseph Nassal, C.P.P.S.***Fri., Nov. 2 – Sun., Nov. 4, 2018**

The call of the gospels is to become a new creation in the Risen Christ. It is the profound belief that each and every person, made in God's image and likeness, can be restored and renewed in Christ. This retreat will explore in practical and prayerful ways what it means to become a new creation and to serve with a renewed sense of purpose and passion for life.

Retreat Begins: Friday, November 2 at 8:00pm
 Concludes: Sunday, November 4 at 12:45pm
 Suggested Offering: \$175.00 per person
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 per person is required.)

Serra International (Serra Members Only)**MEMENTO MORI:
DYING WELL IS LOVING WELL***Fr. John Paul Erickson***Fri., Nov. 16 – Sun., Nov. 18, 2018**

Since the proclamation of the Kingdom by Jesus Christ, a sober awareness of the finitude of life and our limited time on earth has been the source of meditation and serious reflection for the Christian disciple. During this retreat, we will delve into these topics, rooting our reflections in the Scriptures and the mystery of Christian hope.

Retreat Begins: Friday, November 16 at 8:00pm
 Concludes: Sunday, November 18 at 12:45pm
 Suggested Offering: \$175.00 per person
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 per person is required.)

Advent Day of**CENTERING PRAYER
AND LECTIO DIVINA***Fr. James Deegan, O.M.I.**Sr. Brenda Rose Szegedy, O.S.F.***Wed., Dec. 5, 2018 • 9:00am - 3:00pm**

Our practice of Lectio Divina will focus on Scripture readings for the season of Advent. In addition to reflections from Sr. Brenda Rose and Fr. Jim, this one-day retreat will include opportunities to experience Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina. The sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available. Our day will conclude with celebration of the Eucharist.

Suggested Offering: \$40.00 per person (includes lunch)

Advent Silent Retreat**HOLY DARKNESS, JOYFUL HOPE***Susan Stabile***Fri., Dec. 7 – Sun., Dec. 9, 2018**

Advent is a time of both darkness and hope. In the silence and absence of the darkness, we wait in joyful hope for what we know will come, a waiting that is not passive, but is rather a period of active preparation. This retreat offers us an opportunity to reflect on the ways in which we are called to embrace both the darkness of absence and the coming light of Christ.

Retreat Begins: Friday, December 7 at 8:00pm
 Concludes: Sunday, December 9 at 12:45pm
 Suggested Offering: \$175.00 per person
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 per person is required.)

Thank you, Lord, for the generosity of:

Leo Burke, Laurence & Naomi Crepeau, Josephine Diedrich, Dolores Cunningham, Timothy Gallagher, Kathleen Howland, Dennis & Marilyn Hanson, Gary & Peg Janisch, Barbara Koffel, Gerald & MaryEllen Keymer, William & Diane Merritt, Estate of Evelyn Mikolai, Rick & Karen Miller, David Turk, Edward Ryan, Dr. Glenn & Sharon Myers, Kenneth Newton, Mike & Kathy Nelson, Paul, Sr. & Marilyn Piazza, Steve & Jodi Wolf, Lawrence & Suzanne Vanden Plas, James & Dolores Portz, Patricia Schreier, Nancy Jo Schultz, Peter Spokes, Jeffry & Nancy Twidwell, Lt. Col. Jerry Ward, Wanda Weller, Mary Ann Kerkvliet

“Wish List”

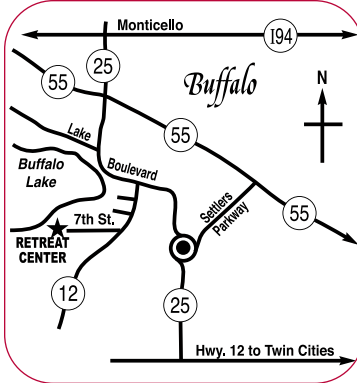
Bedspreads, St. Mary Hall **\$2,500**
Mattresses, St. Mary Hall **\$5,000**
Caulking of windows, St. Joseph Hall **\$4,000**

MEMORIALIZE A ROOM

Memorialize a retreat room here at King’s House in memory of a loved one. We will place a plaque on the door indicating that this room “has been dedicated in loving memory of _____ by their daughter, son, children, father or mother,” etc. For more information, please call Fr. Jim at 763-682-1394.

A REMINDER

If you would like your name removed from the mailing list or have a change of address please call us at 763-682-1394 or e-mail us at lpolman@kingshouse.com. **PLEASE**, when sending a check, put on the check if it is for a donation or for a retreat.



REMEMBERING CHRIST THE KING...

We invite you to remember CHRIST THE KING RETREAT CENTER in your will or to remember a loved one through a memorial gift. All bequests and gifts are not subject to taxation and retain their full value.

Our legal title is:
 Christ the King Retreat Center
 Buffalo, MN 55313



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 Oblates of Mary Immaculate**

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

The following retreatants from Christ the King Retreat Center have died since the last listing or we have only recently become aware of their death. With faith and gratitude, we pray for our retreatants and friends that they may enter into eternal life.

**“Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
 and let perpetual light shine upon them.”**

Sr. Carlene Unser, FSPA	April 2017
Roger Zehren	October 2017
Brenda Penning, SSND	December 2017
Ginny Larson	December 2017
Ralph Torborg	January 2018
Deacon Jim Sura	January 2018
Patricia Djerf	March 2018
Karen Lay, SSND	March 2018
Giles McConville	April 2018



DON'T FORGET...

You can always check out what’s happening at Christ the King Retreat Center online by visiting our web site: www.kingshouse.com. Our website features a look at the retreat center, an introduction to our staff members, and a complete listing of upcoming programs.

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Registration Form

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Date of retreat and program you wish to attend: _____

Please submit your registration form and non-refundable deposit to
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