

# Christ the King Retreat Center

*A Ministry of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate*

*"Come to the water..."*

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Fall/Winter 2020-2021

## ***FROM FATHER DICK. . .***

As I write this, we are nearing the end of the year 2020 AD. Many will say that the end of this year could not come soon enough. It has been a tough year. The Covid-19 pandemic has turned the country upside down, and the election has divided the country. At Christ the King Retreat Center, we have experienced this upset and have had our ministry diminished because of the virus. To make matters worse, a water pipe burst during a routine inspection. As repair of the damage began, we discovered major maintenance damage that only came to light as we repaired the first problem.

In our reflection this year on the theme **A Listening Heart**, we need to ask what God is saying to us through the circumstances of life. I believe that God is reminding us that life is constantly changing. The Greek philosopher Heraclitus said that you can't put your foot in the same river twice. It is never the same river - all is changing and all is passing. It is so easy to be self-satisfied and think we have it all under our control. The year 2020 reminds me of the parable in Luke 12:16 where we find the man who built bigger barns to store his grain. God calls him a fool for choosing the passing instead of seeking those things that will last. This year of trial has been an opportunity to reach out to one another. This year of trial has made us feel the pain of separation and has been a time to let us know the importance of community and gathering together.

As we prepare to welcome Jesus again at Christmas, as the light that has overcome the darkness, may we all have the 20/20 vision of faith in the year 2021.

## ***2021 - SAVE THESE DATES!***

***Mark your calendars for these spiritually enlightening retreats scheduled for 2021!***

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| March 19-21      | "Jesus Heals" with Fr. Greg Paffel – Men & Women's Healing Retreat   |
| March 27         | "A Friendship with Women" with Susan Stabile – Mothers, Grandmothers, Daughters, Sisters, Friends                      |
| March 31-April 3 | "Through the Eyes of our Crucified Savior" with Fr. Frank Santucci, OMI – Men & Women's Silent Holy Week               |
| July 2-4         | "Un Corazón Atento - An Attentive Heart" Spanish-speaking Retreat with Fr. Juan Gaspar, OMI – Men & Women's Weekend    |
| July 16-18       | "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace: The Prayer of Creating Peace" with Fr. Matt Linn, SJ – Men & Women's Healing Retreat |

## ***VIRTUAL SPIRITUAL DIRECTION***

**Christ the King Retreat Center has gone VIRTUAL.**

With our current national health situation, members of the Preaching Team have been communicating with and doing Spiritual Direction using virtual platforms such as Zoom and Facetime. ***In-person spiritual direction is also still available.*** If you have missed your Spiritual Direction sessions here at King's House, please call your Spiritual Director to set up your next appointment at 763-682-1394.

## 2020-2021 Silent Retreats

**“A LISTENING HEART” ALL IS GRACE. ALL IS GIFT.**

*“From his fullness we have all received grace upon grace.” John 1:16*

### Men’s Retreats

December 4-6, 2020  
 January 15-17  
 January 22-24  
 February 5-7  
 March 12-14

### Women’s Retreats

January 29-31  
 February 16-18\* *Lenten*  
 February 26-28  
 March 2-4\*  
 March 26-28  
 April 16-18  
 May 14-16  
 May 24-27 *4-day*  
 July 13-15\*

### Men & Women’s Retreat

March 23-25\* *Lenten*  
 March 31-April 3  
*Holy Week*

### Married Couples Retreat

March 5-7

\*Midweek retreat

### Advent Day of

## CENTERING PRAYER & LECTIO DIVINA

*Fr. James Deegan, OMI*

*Sr. Brenda Rose Szegedy, OSF*

**Wed., Dec. 2, 2020 • 9am - 3pm**

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

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

### Advent Silent Retreat

## “THE JOYFUL ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ADVENT”

*Susan Stabile*

**Fri., Dec. 11 – Sun., Dec. 13, 2020**

Advent is a season of joyful announcements, and our pre-Christmas cycle of readings focus on the unfolding revelation of the birth of Jesus - from the announcement to the Israelites of God’s promise to send the Messiah through the announcement to the shepherds of the Holy Birth. This retreat weekend offers us the opportunity to reflect on this unfolding revelation and invites us to reflect on our role in birthing Christ into our world today.

Retreat Begins: Friday, December 11 at 8:00pm

Concludes: Sunday, December 13 at 12:45pm

Suggested Offering: \$175.00 per person

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

### Women’s Lenten Midweek Retreat

## “A LISTENING HEART”

*King’s House Preaching Team*

**Tue., Feb. 16 – Thu., Feb. 18, 2021**

Retreat Begins: Tuesday, February 16 at 8:00pm

Concludes: Thursday, February 18 at 12:45pm

Suggested Offering: \$160.00 per person

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

### Marriage Encounter Retreats for 2021

**FEBRUARY 12-14 & APRIL 30-MAY 2**

To make a reservation, call 612-756-8720

### Engaged Encounter Retreats for 2021

**FEBRUARY 13-14, MAY 1-2 & JUNE 19-20**

To make a reservation, call 651-426-9248

## We’re Taking Steps to Ensure the Health & Safety of Our Guests, Visitors, & Staff

Christ the King Retreat Center seeks the safety of our guests and staff by following the guidelines of the State of Minnesota and the Archdiocese of St. Paul/Minneapolis with regard to screening, face coverings, hand hygiene, social distancing and sanitization measures. Guests are asked to adhere to posted regulations during their stay. The document outlining our full procedures can be found on our website at [www.kingshouse.com](http://www.kingshouse.com).

## DIRECTED RETREAT

*King’s House Preaching Team*

**Mon., Feb. 22 – Fri., Feb. 26, 2021**

Each day includes the celebration of the Eucharist. The retreatant meets with a director to talk about his or her personal journey and experience of God. The remaining 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: Monday, February 22 at 3:00pm

Concludes: Friday, February 26 at 9:00am

Retreat Fee: \$300.00/person

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

### Lenten Day of

## CENTERING PRAYER & LECTIO DIVINA

*Fr. James Deegan, OMI*

*Sr. Brenda Rose Szegedy, OSF*

**Wed., Feb. 24, 2021 • 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)

### WEEKEND REGISTRATIONS

**FROM 4:00PM TO 8:00PM**

### MIDWEEK REGISTRATIONS

**FROM 1:00PM TO 3:00PM**

### Married Couples Retreat

## “A LISTENING HEART”

*King’s House Preaching Team*

**Fri., March 5 – Sun., March 7, 2021**

Listening is the first sign of LOVE. Our listening is a gift we have received from God and a gift that you are called to give to one another in the Sacrament of Marriage. Trusting, respectful listening is a fundamental way to nourish and strengthen a marriage. Jesus always invites us to listen at a deeper level to his word and to one another. The best gift you can give to each other is the gift of a listening heart.

Retreat Begins: Friday, March 5 at 8:00pm

Concludes: Sunday, March 7 at 12:45pm

Suggested Offering: \$320.00 per couple

(A non-refundable deposit of \$60.00 per couple is required.)

**Healing Retreat for Men & Women****“JESUS HEALS”***Fr. Greg Paffel***Fri., March 19 – Sun., March 21, 2021**

Fr. Paffel has been a priest of the St. Cloud Diocese for 19 years. He graduated from the Franciscan University of Steubenville, attending both St. John's Seminary in Collegeville and St. Paul Seminary in St. Paul. Besides being a pastor, Fr. Greg enjoys doing ministry in the area of inner healing and deliverance. He will be presenting some of the principles noted by Neil Lazano in his book *Unbound* including the five keys of Repentance, Forgiveness, Renunciation, the Name of Jesus, and the Father's Blessing.

Retreat Begins: Friday, March 19 at 8:00pm  
 Concludes: Sunday, March 21 at 12:45pm  
 Suggested Offering: \$175.00 per person  
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 per person is required.)

**Men & Women's Silent Midweek Retreat****“A LISTENING HEART”***King's House Preaching Team***Tue., March 23 – Thu., March 25, 2021**

Retreat Begins: Tuesday, March 23 at 3:00pm  
 Concludes: Thursday, March 25 at 12:45pm  
 Suggested Offering: \$160.00 per person  
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 per person is required.)

**Mothers, Grandmothers, Daughters, Sisters, Friends Retreat****“THE FRIENDSHIP OF WOMEN”***Susan Stabile***Sat., March 27, 2021 • 9:00am - 3:00pm**

Because we are communal beings who need companions on our journey, authentic friendship is a necessary dimension of the Christian life. This retreat day offers an opportunity to reflect on the friendships of women and the qualities that sustain it. We will consider what we learn from women of scripture, as well as more modern-day women and our own experiences about the way God has created us for relationship. Our day will include time for individual reflection as well as sharing.

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

**Men & Women's Silent Holy Week****“THROUGH THE EYES OF OUR CRUCIFIED SAVIOR”***Fr. Frank Santucci, OMI***Wed., March 31 – Sat., April 3, 2021**

Fr. Frank Santucci, OMI, is originally from South Africa and now heads the study of Oblate spirituality at our seminary, the Oblate School of Theology, in San Antonio. He will invite us to see the world through the eyes of our Savior Jesus. It is a world that He redeemed with His blood, desiring that those in whom he continues to suffer will also know the power of His Resurrection.

Retreat Begins: Wednesday, March 31 at 8:00pm  
 Concludes: Saturday, April 3 at 12:15pm  
 Suggested Offering: \$250.00 per person  
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 per person is required.)

**For Parish Professionals, Staff & Volunteers****“A LISTENING HEART”***King's House Preaching Team***Tue., April 27 – Wed., April 28, 2021**

Listening is a sign of love. Trusting, respectful listening is a fundamental way to strengthen work relationships. Join us as we listen to His Word and one another.

Retreat Begins: Tuesday, April 27 at 11:00am  
 Concludes: Wednesday, April 28 at 1:00pm  
 Suggested Offering: \$80.00 per person  
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 per person is required.)

**Hope Day Retreat****“DEALING WITH LOSS – A REASON FOR HOPE”***Fr. Lon Konold, OMI**Sr. Brenda Rose Szegedy, OSF***Thu., May 20, 2021 • 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)

**Sisters' Intercommunity Retreat****“A LISTENING HEART”***King's House Preaching Team***Fri., June 11 – Fri., June 18, 2021**

Retreat Begins: Friday, June 11 at 3:00pm  
 Concludes: Friday, June 18 at 10:00am  
 Retreat Fee: \$475.00 per person  
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 per person is required.)

**DIRECTED RETREAT***King's House Preaching Team***Tue., June 22 – Tue., June 29, 2021 (6-day)**

Registration Begins: Tuesday, June 22 at 3:00pm  
 Concludes: Tuesday, June 29 at 9:00am  
 Retreat Fee: \$500.00/person  
 (A non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 per person is required.)

**Men & Women's Retreat - Spanish Speaking****UN CORAZÓN ATENTO - AN ATTENTIVE HEART***Fr. Juan Gaspar, OMI***Fri., July 2 – Sun., July 4, 2021**

Christ the King Retreat Center will host a Spanish-speaking retreat.

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

**Healing Retreat for Men & Women****“MAKE ME A CHANNEL OF YOUR PEACE: THE PRAYER OF CREATING PEACE”***Fr. Matt Linn, SJ***Fri., July 16 – Sun., July 18, 2021**

How to be a channel of peace in our times of pandemic, violence, and the daily crises that shatter our peace? When prayed, this “Prayer of St. Francis” has brought inner peace to soldiers in both world wars, addicts in the 11th step of AA, and to families forgiving their assassins in South Africa. This retreat will experience praying each phrase to find deep inner peace and to become a channel of peace in whatever situation shakes our peace.

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



**Lord, we are thankful for the generosity of:**

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**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**

*With faith and gratitude, we pray for these retreatants who have died and their families and friends.*

Jim Quast	April 2019
Wayne Hochsprung	August 2019
Earl Beaudry	April 2020
Dixie Labat	April 2020
Catherine "Kay" Oknick	May 2020
Eugene Rothstein	May 2020
Sr. Catherine Fiegen	June 2020
Gene Skok	June 2020
Patricia Benko	June 2020
Mary Ann McDonell	July 2020
Helen Reitmeier	August 2020
Alice O'Neal	August 2020
Jeanette Ploof	September 2020
Barb Thomes	September 2020



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

**MAKE A LASTING GIFT TO  
 CHRIST THE KING RETREAT CENTER**

One of the ways to donate to King's House is to dedicate a room in memory or in honor of a loved one or a dedicated servant of the Lord. There are several rooms which are still available for memorial plaques. Contact Fr. Dick at 763-682-1394 for more information.

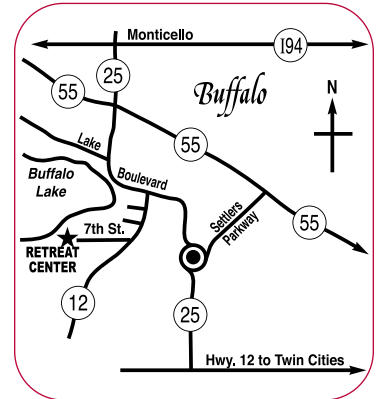
Christ the King Retreat Center can also be remembered in your will. All bequests and gifts are not subject to taxation and retain their full value.

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

**HAVE YOU  
 MOVED?**

Please send any address changes and updates to us at [anita@kingshouse.com](mailto:anita@kingshouse.com) or call us at 763-682-1394.

Reminder – when sending a check, let us know if it is a **donation** or a **retreat registration**. If a retreat registration, please include the dates you are attending.



King's House is on Facebook and online at [www.kingshouse.com](http://www.kingshouse.com). Check out what's happening and register online for an upcoming retreat. The website has the most current calendar, information on Spiritual Direction and how to bring your group to this place of peace as a meeting space. We have dates available year-round. Contact us today via email at [christtheking@kingshouse.com](mailto:christtheking@kingshouse.com) or call 763-682-1394.

***"He has sent me to bring Good News to the Poor...The Poor have heard the Good News"***

The spirit of St. Eugene is permeated by Isaiah 61:1.

St. Eugene DeMazenod, Pray for Us!

**REGISTRATION FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Date(s) of Retreat: \_\_\_\_\_

**A non-refundable deposit *must be received* in order to reserve a room.**

**Please make checks payable to:** Christ the King Retreat Center

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