

*Marillac Center,  
established in the spirit of the  
Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth,  
provides an environment of  
prayer, peace, hope and transformation.  
Located adjacent to the  
Sisters of Charity Mother House,  
Marillac Center allows the Sisters  
to share their holy ground,  
their story and their charism  
with all who seek to  
grow spiritually and deepen  
their quest for God.*

**APPLICATION:** Please apply for retreats as soon as possible by sending in a \$50 non-refundable deposit, which will be credited to the total fee, along with the dates of your retreat. Registration forms are available on our web site.

**FEES:** Retreat fee including room and board for directed/preached or private retreat is \$70/day Please make checks payable to Sisters of Charity and give to the receptionist at Marillac Center upon arrival. Scholarships are available for those who cannot afford the full amount.

**OPENING AND CLOSING OF RETREATS:** Ordinarily, retreats begin at 7 p.m. on the evening of the first date given and end on the morning of the second date given with the celebration of the Eucharist. The evening meal is not included for the opening date. If you wish to come early and have the evening meal, please add \$9 to your fee and let us know that you are coming.

To register for a retreat you may:

- 1) Visit our web site at [www.MarillacCenter.org](http://www.MarillacCenter.org) and register on line or
- 2) E-mail [schase@scls.org](mailto:schase@scls.org) or
- 3) Call Sister Susan Chase at (913) 680-2342

# Retreats at Marillac Center 2012 (Three, Six, & Eight Day Retreats)



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## Group Retreats

### January 8 - 15, 2012 Constance Krstolic, OSB Celebrating Life's Journey - 6 day

invites us to embrace our memories thus far, remembering the good days and better days experienced. Grounded in scripture, prayer and sacrament, the retreat eases into the reality of aging through the assurance that God is in control and that we have nothing to fear. Retreat sessions in Ann Ross Chapel. Opening Conference 9:30 a.m. January 9. Retreat ends with 10:00 am Eucharist January 15th

**Constance Krstolic, OSB** is a member of the Benedictine Sisters of Mount St. Scholastica and has over twenty-five years experience as a Benedictine, teacher, religious educator, vocation/formation minister and spiritual director. Sister Constance completed her M.A. in Spirituality and Scripture at St. Louis University and earned a Certificate in Spiritual Direction at the School for Spiritual Directors in Pecos, New Mexico.

### June 14 - 21, 2012 Kathleen Wood, SCL Dining in the Kingdom of God:

#### Meeting Jesus through Luke's Gospel - 6 day

Jesus, his disciples and all who continue to follow Christ, are a people on a journey, a people of hospitality both offered and received. For Christians in the Lukan communities, to know and live Eucharist, indeed to be Eucharist, was to know, love and be the gospel of Jesus Christ (LaVerdiere). So it must be for us today. This retreat will be an exploration of Luke's Gospel with reflection on the meaning of the Eucharist as revealed in the meals and journeys of Jesus Christ. Each day there will be two short conferences and optional prayer experiences.

**Kathleen Wood, SCL**, currently a member of the Marillac team, recently retired from teaching Theology and Ministry at the University of Saint Mary, brings a wealth of understanding and appreciation of scripture and the spiritual life to share with retreatants. Sister Kathleen holds a Masters degree in Theology with a concentration in Scripture from Boston College and a Certificate in Religious Formation from St. Louis University.

### July 6 - 8, 2012 Joseph Schmidt, FSC Praying our Experiences

One of the best ways to pray is to turn both worry and joy into prayer. This weekend retreat will provide the direction and opportunity to focus on our ordinary experiences and make them the context of our prayer. We will as many saints have recommended, pray with a pen. We will privately and prayerfully write about our experiences. We will open the gift of our life with its trials and joys, to offer worries and gratitude to God, all in a supportive, encouraging and quiet atmosphere. Please bring your journal and writing materials. 7 pm July 6 - noon on July 8. Fee: \$150 includes *Praying Our Experiences*

July 8 - 14, 2012

Joseph Schmidt, FSC

### The Heart-Qualities of Love: Stepping Stones of Thérèse's Little Way of Nonviolent Love.

Thérèse of Lisieux, the saint of the little way of spirituality and the most recent Doctor of the Church, lived a life that offers us an example of how to love without violence to ourselves or others.

Although as a cloistered nun Thérèse lived apart from the violence of the world, she nevertheless experienced the violence of her own feelings and the violence of others. Over the course of her life Thérèse studied her motivation and came to know the qualities of heart that make love possible, even in the presence of violent feelings. She recognized these heart-qualities as the stepping stones of her little way. These same heart-qualities can also become for us the psychological indicators that challenge us to know and to purify our own motives.

This retreat begins at 7 pm on July 8 and ends with lunch on July 14. Presentations and time for discussion. Add a fee of \$8 to the cost of the 6 day retreat for *Walking the Little Way of Thérèse of Lisieux*. Fee: \$428 Both retreats: \$568

**Joseph Schmidt**, a De La Salle Christian Brother, formerly on the staff of Sangre de Cristo, an international sabbatical program located near Santa Fe, New Mexico, has extensive experience as a lecturer, spiritual director, and pastoral counselor. He is presently serving in Nairobi, Kenya. Brother Joe is the author of *Praying with Thérèse of Lisieux*, *Praying Our Experiences, Everything is Grace, Walking the Little Way of Thérèse of Lisieux: Discovering the Path of Love*.

### July 29 - August 5, 2012 Gail Worcelo, sgm Evolutionary Christianity: a New Moment of Grace - 6 day

Moments of Grace are privileged times of special creativity. These transformational moments shape the future in enduring the irreversible ways. Can you think of such moments in your own life, when the hand of the Divine was particularly at work? In addition to personal moments of grace, there are also cosmological, historical, and communal ones. During our retreat we will explore a new Moment of Grace in the Christian tradition and the call of the living Christ to enter into his spirit of unitive consciousness in this cosmological / planetary era.

**Gail Worcelo, sgm**, retreat leader, teacher, lecturer with degrees in Clinical Psychology and Christian Spirituality is the co-founder along with the late Fr. Thomas Berry of Green Mountain Monastery in Greensboro, VT, a new contemplative community dedicated to the evolution of Christ consciousness and carrying the beauty of Catholic tradition and work of Thomas Berry forward to its full flowering

## Directed Retreats in 2012

January 8-15	Sr. Marilyn Peot, CSJ
January 8-15	Sr. Karen Guth, SCL
January 8-15	Directors on staff+
June 12-21	Sr. Karen Guth, SCL
June 12-21	Directors on staff+
July 6-15	Fr. John Foley, S.J.
July 6-15	Sr. Helen Ann Collier, CCVI
July 6-15	Sr. Marilyn Peot, CSJ
July 6-15	Sr. Karen Guth, SCL
July 29-Aug. 5	Sr. Kathleen Wood, SCL
July 29-Aug. 5	Sr. Karen Guth, SCL
Oct. 15-24	Fr. Tom Nelson, CM
Oct. 15-24	Sr. Marilyn Peot, CSJ
Oct. 15-24	Sr. Karen Guth, SCL
Oct. 15-24	Directors on staff+

## Retreat Directors for 2012

### Directors on Marillac Staff

\***Susan Chase, SCL**, retreat coordinator of Marillac Center, completed the SoulJourners Program in spiritual direction at Sophia Center, Atchison and the Art of Retreat Direction at Mercy Center, Burlingame, CA with additional study of discernment and the Spiritual Exercises through the Ignatian Spirituality Center of Kansas City. Previously she taught biological sciences for 30 plus years at the University of Saint Mary with a special interest in the integration of faith with scientific understanding.

\***Kathleen Wood, SCL**, a member of the Marillac staff, and recently retired from teaching Theology and Ministry at the University of Saint Mary, brings a wealth of understanding and appreciation of scripture and the spiritual life to share in retreats and spiritual direction. She holds a Masters degree in Theology with a concentration in Scripture from Boston College and a Certificate in Religious Formation from St. Louis University.

\***Karen Guth, SCL**, is actively involved in direction and retreat ministry and has facilitated workshops with women's groups. Sister Karen has a Masters degree in Theology with an emphasis in spirituality. She completed the Vincentian Spiritual Directors Program in Denver in 1998. She previously taught in Catholic schools; coordinated Making Choices, a program which trained women volunteers to mentor incarcerated women; she served as a team member at Marillac Center.

### Guest Directors

**Helen Ann Collier, CCVI**, a Sister of Charity of the Incarnate Word., earned certificates in spiritual direction from Mercy Center, Burlingame, CA and Mercy Center, Colorado Springs. She served as Associate Director/ Spiritual Director at the Sangre De Cristo Center in Santa Fe, New Mexico and as a spiritual director in the MTM sabbatical program at the Oblate School of Theology. Sister Helen Ann's ministry experience has included education, parish ministry and health care. She has served on the Provincial Leadership Team in her community both as Provincial and Director of Ministry. and recently as Administrator of the Generalate in San Antonio currently she ministers in the St. Louis area.

**John Foley, S.J.** founded the first Cristo Rey School for inner city youth in 1996, was President of the Cristo Rey Network and is presently Executive Chair of the Network Board of Trustees. During his 34 years ministering in Jesuit schools in Peru, Father Foley served as educator, administrator, spiritual director and retreat director. He is fluent in Spanish.

**Tom Nelson, CM**, lives in Denver, Colorado where he is chaplain for the Colorado Vincentian Volunteers, co-ordinates the Catholic Worker Soup Kitchen, and ministers to the Native American Community. He also serves as adjunct faculty at the Naropa University in Boulder, and directs 8 and 30-Day retreats nationally and internationally.

**Marilyn Peot, CSJ**, has been in full-time spiritual ministry since 1972. Trained in the art of listening, discernment and spiritual development, she has done extensive study in psychological and emotional development and in varied spiritualities, Scripture, and the Ignatian Exercises. In addition to retreat work and spiritual direction she has initiated ongoing groups for prayer, Scripture study and inner healing.

### Also available to direct retreats as time allows:

**Rosalie Curtin, SCL**, teaches in the Pastoral Ministry Department at the University of Saint Mary after serving many years as a Pastoral Minister in various parishes around Kansas City. Her focus has been on the RCIA and adult education. Prior to that she served as Formation Director and as a Community Councilor. Her retreat ministry began following a year of study in the Institute of Religious Formation in the mid 1980s.