

Exploring the Sacred: Growing as Leaders of Prayer



The Religious Education Office of the Diocese of Joliet with support from Loyola Press extend an

INVITATION to ALL Leaders of Prayer: DRE's, Principals, DAFF, DYM, School Religion Coordinators

to be a part of a special process which will enrich your own prayer life as well as enhance the prayer of those to whom you minister.

Each session is planned as a Day of Reflection with input and prayer experiences. Attending this series will be like participating in regularly scheduled retreat days! Participants will receive resources ready to be adapted in their ministries. Additionally, each participant will work with a group of children monthly as well as complete assigned readings and share reflections. Group discussion and sharing will be an important part of the process. It is a gift to pray together and support one another as we build the Kingdom!

Here is what some of our past participants have shared:

"I will use the story telling materials to...encourage a more open relationship with God. This feeds my creativeness and pours a new energy into my prayer...which sustains me."

"I especially like the guided meditations with the children. As I let them have quiet time talking to Jesus, I found myself experiencing a closer relationship with Jesus."

"The best part of Exploring the Sacred is experiencing what we are learning... rich experiences that feed me.."

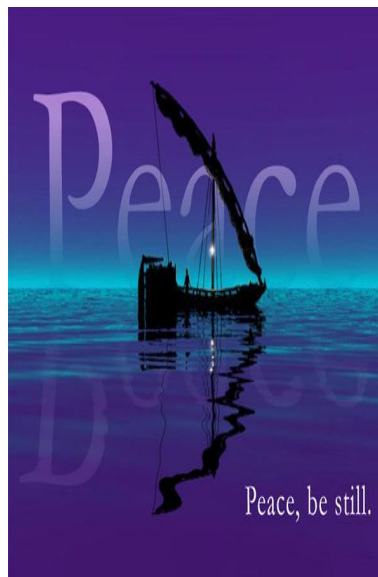
"...the luxury of being among others who have inspired me to move deeper within myself to find a high state of "love" and to share this with those I minister."

"The best part personally was falling in love with our Lord...all over again!"

Cost is \$100.00 for 3 sessions.

Make check payable to the Diocese of Joliet

If there is any reason your parish is unable to cover the cost, please call Tom Quinlan (815-834-4061) for scholarship information. Please do not let the cost prevent you from attending. Program is limited to 15 participants.



Three sessions will be held on Fridays from
9:30 AM – 2:45 PM
September 10
November 5
January 7

At a location located between Darien and Joliet

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Application Deadline: August 29th

Name _____ Phone (day) _____

Address _____ Phone (cell) _____

City/State/Zip _____ Years of Experience _____

Position _____ Church _____

Education Background: _____

Questions: Sr. Clarita 630-628-0900 X104, Susan 630-858-3796 X4109
Enclosed is my payment for \$100.00 payable to the Diocese of Joliet

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Please also complete the following questions:

Why is God calling you to be part of the “Exploring the Sacred” process?

Sr. Clarita and Susan are excited to travel with other leaders of prayer who are seeking to grow their relationship with the Sacred and integrate contemplative prayer into their ministry. They have both completed the Loyola Press Program: Companions in Prayer.

Sr. Clarita is a Joliet Franciscan Sister. She has been a teacher, Catholic School Principal, DRE and currently is the Pastoral Associate at St. Philip Parish in Addison. Sr. Clarita holds a BA in Music Education and a MED in Elementary School Administration.

Briefly describe your relationship with God:

Susan is a wife, mother and grandparent. She has a BA in Music Education, MA in Religious Studies, and has also completed the Joliet Diocesan Companions Program. Susan is the Director of Religious Education at St. Petronille, Glen Ellyn.

Susan and Clarita continue their formation through workshops, retreats and courses. They have experience as workshop presenters for cluster in-services, parish sacramental preparation, adult formation as well as student and adult retreats.