

Reflection Day Information

\$30 waged person
\$20 unwaged person
Tea and coffee provided
Please bring own lunch

Retreat Information

\$540 Six Day Retreat (full board)

**Places are limited.
Please book early to secure a date**

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Retreats and Reflection Days



The Mary MacKillop Centre
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Everything God blesses will prosper.
Mary MacKillop 1890

We must tranquilly wait God's time.
Julian Tenison Woods 1886

See and be grateful.
Mary MacKillop 1884



Earth Stations

Date Mondays 5 and 12 March: 7 - 8pm

Facilitator Lyndall Brown rsj

Two contemplative evenings where the Stations of the Cross are interwoven with Pope Francis Encyclical, 'Laudate Si'.

On the first night we will contemplate the first seven stations and on the second evening the remaining Stations.

Reimagining God's Dream for the World

Date Saturday 21 April: 10am - 3pm

Facilitator Lyndall Brown rsj

This reflection day will be based on John Philip Newell's book 'The Rebirthing of God.'

The day will be spent deepening our awareness of the following themes ...reconnecting with compassion, and with nonviolence.

Images of God

Date Saturday 12 May: 10am - 3pm

Facilitator Ann Neven rsj

Our images of God affect our belief patterns and the way we live out our lives as Christian people. Through the use of the film 'Chocolat', we will consider how some of the characters reflect a particular image of God.

What images of God support my living out of the call to follow the God revealed by Jesus?

Taizé for the Feast of the Sacred Heart

Date Friday 8 June: 7 - 8pm

Facilitator Jill McLoughlin rsj

Prayer expressed in song remains one of the most essential expressions of our search for God.

Brother Roger Schütz (Founder of Taizé) 1915 - 2005

This meditative candlelit service will include singing chants, listening to the Word of God, intercessory prayer and ample time for quiet prayer in an atmosphere of silence and peace.

Spirituality of Eldering

Date Tuesday 17 July: 10am - 2pm

Facilitator Lyndall Brown rsj

'Spirituality of Eldering is what we participate in consciously and willingly.'

This Reflection day will offer ways to discover the richness of life when we age with grace.

We will reflect on three themes... growing contemplatively, learning the art of letting go and the wisdom of the years.

God Enters our Hearts

Date Saturday 11 August: 10am - 3pm

Facilitator Jane O'Carroll sm

'They begged him of stay with them.'

John 4:40 and Luke 24: 29

Both the women/people of Samaria and the disciples of Emmaus begged Jesus to stay for he listened to what they had to say. A day of reflection, listening, and telling of stories where we allow our hearts to be touched and our hopes lifted.

Directed Retreat - Sacred Pauses

Maximum 8 persons

Date Sunday 19 August: 7.30pm to

Saturday 25 August: 4pm

Directors Elaine Smith rsj and Lyndall Brown rsj

Daily Spiritual Direction is at the heart of this retreat.

Each day of this retreat we will also gather to reverence a particular hour of the day and to receive its gift.

Let Your God Love You

Date Saturday 15 September: 10am - 3pm

Facilitator Gerard Whiteford sm

Praying from a contemplative stance.

Using the elements of meditation, Silence, Stillness, and Simplicity we will take time to encounter and engage with your God."

The Senses as Thresholds to the Soul

Date Saturday 3 November: 10am - 3pm

Facilitator Ann Neven rsj

Our senses link us intimately with the Divine around and within us.

Through experiencing the richness of each of our senses, this day will enable us to celebrate the Universe and the Mystery alive in it.

Guided Retreat - 'Eyes to See; Ears to Hear'

Date Sunday 4 November: 7.30pm to

Saturday 10 November: 4pm

Facilitator Gerard Whiteford sm

Through the eye of the artist and pen of the poet we are invited to spend time in prayer with familiar Gospel texts.

The basic structure of the retreat is offering participants two works of art and a poem which sit around a Gospel text each full day of the retreat.

The days flow from the birth of Christ, through his ministry and death and resurrection.

Advent Awakenings

Date Saturday 1 December: 10am - 3pm

Facilitator Lyndall Brown rsj

Advent is a season of awakening. The day will be spent reflecting on the call to awaken to Peace, to Light and to Hope during these days of preparation for Christmas.

Weekly Meditation

Date Each Thursday beginning the first Thursday of February from 7pm

This weekly Christian meditation time at Mary MacKillop Chapel will offer an opportunity to gather in silence and together to enter the place of Mystery where we are drawn deeper into the Well of Love within us and grow in appreciation of the unfolding of this Love in all of Life.