



2012 INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL RETREAT

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Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center
West Hartford Connecticut, USA
Saturday May 26 - Saturday June 2, 2012

The 2012 WCCM International School Retreat will be held at Holy Family Passionist Monastery and Retreat Center, in Connecticut, USA, from Saturday May 26 to Saturday June 2, 2012.

This silent retreat is designed for more experienced meditators eager to enter a deeper and more sustained experience of silence, as well as of community. The silence is maintained for the entire week. As part of the School experience it helps in developing awareness from within your own spiritual journey and a heightened sense of how you may be called to share the gift of meditation.



The retreat commences Saturday May 26 with meditation at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner and the opening session, and it concludes after breakfast on Saturday June 2. Should you wish, it will be possible to come a day earlier or stay a day later if it makes transportation connections easier, and you can do so at a reduced monastery rate.

Spring is a beautiful time of year in New England, where Holy Family is located. For those interested in sightseeing in New York City, spring is also one of the best times to see the city and the rail connection from Hartford is straight into the center of the city so you may wish to precede or extend your stay there.

Registration

If you are interested in participating, please contact Lucy Beck at wccm.northeast@gmail.com. You will be sent a brief questionnaire to return to the retreat leaders for review, and if approved, you will receive instructions on how to proceed with registration.

Cost

The all inclusive cost for 7 nights, including room, meals and program is \$785 in comfortable single rooms. Men and womens' rooms will be on separate floors. Bathrooms are shared on each floor, but are large, privately arranged, and have multiple facilities. Upon registration full information on travel logistics will be included, but if you have specific questions you may email them along with your request to be considered for the retreat. The nearest airport is Bradley International and the retreat center is a 30 minute taxi ride away. The closest train station is Hartford, on Amtrak's Vermonter line, also a short taxi ride away.

A deposit of \$250 is payable at the time of registration. The deadline for registration is March 31. Full payment must be made by May 1, and payments will be 100% non refundable after that date. Any cancellations will incur a cancellation fee for administrative costs, and during the month of April the fee will be 50% of the total retreat price. For this reason we strongly suggest travel insurance to cover this contingency.