

# Testimonials



“ San Damiano – a little bit of heaven, maybe, far beyond the hectic pace and the busy freeway. Flowered paths, open and caring people, a labyrinth to the soul’s center.”

Shoshana Kobrin  
Advisory Board Member, Retreat Director

“Presenting a retreat at San Damiano is a holy experience. God is drawing us into a deeper relationship; it’s humbling and exhilarating to be part of that process. I am enriched and grateful to those who attend for their willingness to grow in God’s love.”

Nancy Burchett  
Retreat Presenter

“A place of peace, knowledge, offering spirituality, hospitality, and good food.”

- Sr. Beverly Ann Flynn, CSJ



“A place where people retreat from the noise and the race for things, to a place of simplicity, prayer, and peace; provides rich diversity to all groups.”

- Fr. Paulson Mundanmani  
Pastor, St. Mary’s Church, Walnut Creek

“I’m comfortable and happy when I’m here. They make you feel good and comfortable about yourself; wherever you are in your spiritual journey is OK.”

- Leslie Rushing  
Retreatant

“It follows the way of St. Francis in respecting the beauty of the area and providing spiritual fulfillment”

- Francesca Dunbar  
Advisory Board Member



“It’s Holy ground. Welcoming, inclusive, beautiful; the retreats cover the whole range of the human condition.”

- David Williams  
Spiritual Director

“...a Franciscan spirit of hospitality, incredible meals, Franciscan priests who are easy to talk to, and modern facilities in a location of breathtaking beauty.”

Stephanie Modelo  
Director of Campus Ministry, Carondelet High School