

# SILENT WEEKEND RETREAT FRANCISCAN HERMITAGE EXPERIENCE JULY 28-30, 2017



Franciscan Hermitage experience is a silent retreat that provides the opportunity for people of all faith traditions to enter deeply into the presence of Jesus through the spirituality of St. Clare and St. Francis of Assisi. "To sit at the feet of Jesus" is the invitation for each person who participates in this experience. In The Rule for Hermitages written by St. Francis in the fourteenth century, the scripture story of Mary and Martha is central. Franciscan Hermitage Experience uniquely incorporates these roles. The "Marys", the participants, sit at the feet of Jesus. The "Marthas", the facilitators, tend to the needs of the participants.

Franciscan Hermitage Experience follows a regular rhythm of eating, prayer and reflection with a special emphasis upon sharing the experience with other participants. Within this framework, the spirituality of Francis and Clare of Assisi is presented through song, scripture, readings and poetry.

## PRESENTERS:



Sr. Mary Jo Chaves has been a member of the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia since 1963. She has her Masters of Arts in Teaching from Lewis and Clark College in Portland, OR and her Masters in Applied Theology from the Graduate Theological University in Berkeley, CA. She taught mathematics and religion in secondary school for 26 years. Since 1996 she has been ministering as a spiritual director and coordinator of spirituality programs in the Portland, Oregon area and other places in the United

States. In 2006 she completed an internship in the Art of Supervision of Spiritual Directors of Mercy Center in Burlingame, CA. She is presently employed at the Franciscan Spiritual Center in Milwaukie, OR.

Dorothy's background includes 34 years of teaching in varying capacities in California, Oregon and Washington. Dorothy is a certified Labyrinth Facilitator receiving her certification through Veriditas with Dr. Lauren Artress.

After attending The Hermitage Retreat for several years, Dorothy became a co-facilitator of the retreat with Sr. Mary Jo. She has said that through Hermitage, "I have been able to discover the "Franciscan Heart" that has always been a part of me." Dorothy currently lives in Oregon and is pursuing her Spiritual Direction Certification through the Franciscan Spiritual Center in Milwaukie, Oregon.

Dorothy served as a Franciscan Covenant Volunteer for five years at San Damiano. She often refers to those five years as, "the best ever".



## REGISTRATION:

Registration begins at 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm, Social at 6:00 pm, Dinner at 7:00 pm. First Session at 8:00 pm. Concludes with lunch on Sunday.

## COST:

\$235 for private room. \$205 per person for double occupancy. All bedrooms are non-smoking.

## TO MAKE A RESERVATION:

Please send a check of \$50 deposit to:  
San Damiano Retreat  
P. O. Box 767  
710 Highland Drive  
Danville, California  
94526-0767  
Phone: (925) 837-9141  
Fax: (925) 837-0522

Registration online is available at [www.sandamiano.org](http://www.sandamiano.org) or call us at (925) 837-9141 to make your reservation by phone.

Deposits or payment are non-refundable, but transferable to a future retreat within one year providing cancellation is received at least 7 days prior to the retreat.

## SPECIAL NEEDS:

Please call us after you make your reservation for any retreats.

## RESERVATION FORM

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NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET CITY STATE ZIP

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

PRIVATE ROOM (\$235)  SHARED ROOM (\$205) WITH: \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT CARD #: \_\_\_\_\_ EXP. DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME ON CREDIT CARD: \_\_\_\_\_ CHARGE ALL  DEPOSIT ONLY