



RENEW YOUR SPIRIT

March 24 - 26
Friday - Sunday

Men's Retreat at Pacem in Terris



Led by Fr. Joe
Kuharski

Get away from the noise and encounter God.

A blessed opportunity to retreat in the silence and solitude of a hermitage environment, nestled in the beauty of God's creation. Includes daily Mass, prayer, discussions, spiritual direction and Confession. **RSVP to parish office by February 27.**

WHO: All Men – 18 years or older.

WHEN: March 24-26, 2017; Friday - Noon Sunday

COST: **Freewill Offering** (Suggested donation is **\$230**, based on operational costs) – *write out and bring checks to Pacem in Terris*

ARRIVAL: You are encouraged to come between **11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. on Friday** – email Barry when you plan on arriving. The Pacem staff will greet you upon arrival and take you to your assigned hermitage – *try not to be late.*

DIRECTIONS: Pacem In Terris, 26399 Minnesota Hwy 47 NW, Isanti, MN 55040 – 22 minutes north of St. Stephen's.

From St. Stephen's:

1. **[LEFT]** EAST on Main Street to **[LEFT]** on N 7th Ave (NORTH)
2. **[LEFT]** on 227th Ave NW (in City of St. Francis)
3. **[RIGHT]** on St. Francis Blvd NW (Co 47)
4. **[RIGHT]** Take first driveway after crossing Co 8 (261st Ave NW) – *it's about 300 yards from the intersection*

ITINERARY: *All this is optional and subject to change

Friday: 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. – arrival and get settled
5:30 p.m. – dinner
7:00 p.m. – Discussion led by Fr. Joe in library

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – Mass
10:00 a.m. – Discussion led by Fr. Joe in library
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. – Confession and
Spiritual Discernment
5:30 p.m. – Dinner

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – Mass
10:00 a.m. – Brunch*
1:00 p.m. – Checkout

WHAT TO EXPECT: In the silence, it's your time with God.

Many connect in prayer, reading, conversing/listening to the Father, or even refresh yourself with naps. You may reflect in your simple hermitage (a cabin with no electricity or plumbing), walking along wooded paths, sitting on a dock on Lake Tamarak, or in the main house. You will not be disturbed, except in an emergency. *The Pacem staff is always available if you need assistance.*

WHAT IS PROVIDED: Each hermitage contains a Bible, a bed, and a rocking chair. General supplies are furnished – flashlight, towels, washcloth, bedding, soap, coffee/tea. A gaslight and candles provide light, and a heater provides for winter comfort. A gas burner is available to heat water for coffee or tea. Outdoor bathrooms are by each hermitage. Indoor showers and bathrooms are available 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the main house.

Food: You will be given a **basket of food** and we offer optional **nightly group dinners**. On Sunday, we have brunch.

WHAT TO BRING: An open heart and your attention to God. Clothing appropriate for the outdoors: good walking shoes and boots, comfortable layered clothing. For inside the hermitages, lounging-type clothes and slippers are preferred. Personal grooming items. You may wish to bring your own Bible and journal.

WHAT NOT TO BRING: A "To-Do" list – just be open. Also, to avoid distractions, don't bring a phone!

HOW TO SIGN UP: Go to the parish office and put your name on the list. *Bring your check to Pacem in Terris on retreat day.*

Great way to start Lent!

For more information, go to PacemInTerris.org OR contact Barry at barrym2@comcast.net or 763-323-0633.