

Grow Closer to God this Lent

The ecumenical Ignatian Jesuit Spirituality Partnership of Maine invites you to participate in a Lenten time of prayer and reflection. Using material taken from the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola, this offering is a six week at-home retreat. It includes a series of daily prayer exercises which help participants to experience God's unconditional love, and to live out of that love. It is open to all who desire to be closer to God, regardless of denomination or previous retreat experience.

Participants will seek to deepen their knowledge and love of Jesus Christ by praying with scripture and allowing Gospel passages to speak to their life experience. Those who participate are asked to pray 20 to 30 minutes a day, use a journal to record their reflections after prayer, and meet once a week with a prayer guide. There will be a group meeting in Portland at the beginning and end of the retreat.

The retreat begins with a group meeting **Sunday, February 11**, from **2:00 to 3:30**, in St. Pius X Hall at Our Lady of Hope Parish, **492 Ocean Avenue, Portland**. At that time, you will be given an overview of the retreat, meet briefly with your prayer guide and receive materials for the first week of the retreat. The 6 weekly meetings with your guide will be arranged by you and the guide, so bring your calendar.

The closing meeting will be confirmed later, probably April 8.

The cost of the retreat is \$50, due at the meeting on February 11. Financial assistance is available if needed.

Registration deadline is February 1, 2018

REGISTRATION FORM: Please print carefully

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City/Town _____

Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____

_____ I want further information before I decide. Please telephone me at the above number.

Help us to know you a bit more.

Your Age: _____ Church/Faith Community: _____

Why are you interested

Anything else you want to tell us:

Email registration to: paul.sullivan@portlanddiocese.org or mail to: Fr. Paul Sullivan, SJ, 673 Stevens Avenue, Portland, ME 04103

Registration fee of \$50 payable to Ignatian Jesuit Spirituality Partnership of Maine to be paid in cash or by check at first meeting on February 11, 2018