



Manresa Matters

Manresa Jesuit Retreat House

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Stations of the Cross Refurbishment Campaign Underway

Around 327 AD Helena, mother of the Emperor Constantine, went to the Holy Land and built churches over many of the Holy Sites. Pilgrimages began and the pilgrims retraced the steps of Jesus from the garden of Gethsemane to the church of the Holy Sepulcher, where they celebrated Jesus' death and resurrection. The Franciscans, who were granted administration of the holy places in Jerusalem in 1342, are probably the ones to establish stations or accustomed halting-places where the faithful prayed over specific incidents of Jesus' journey to the cross. These pilgrims returned to Europe with memories of the experience. Once the Moslems recaptured the Holy Land pilgrimages were too dangerous and the Way of the Cross forbidden in Jerusalem itself. As a result the Stations of the Cross became a popular substitute pilgrimage throughout Europe. Outside stations at Manresa were included in the plans of the grounds and authorized by Manresa's Board in 1926, the very year the property was purchased, and were built a couple of years later.



On most weekends for the last 83 years even in the dead of winter, retreatants have prayed this path. Now the metal structures under the tufa stones are corroded, and the stations are beginning to fall apart. But we hope to be able soon to rebuild them for future generations. Many generous people have already stepped forward to underwrite the project by providing rebuilding funds for particular stations, or to provide a bench or shrubbery to enhance the journey along the path. A memorial donation is turning into a popular vehicle also to fund the project and appropriate since without exaggeration, the new stations could be in place for the next five generations of retreatants. You can find out more about participating inside this issue of *Manresa Matters*.

The Jesuits and Staff of

Manresa

Wish You and Your Family

A Most Blessed Easter



A Tribute to Mrs. Bernice Owens

We are very sad to report that Mrs. Bernice Owens, a wonderful prayerful patron of Manresa and mother of our own Fr. Bernie Owens, SJ, passed from this life on March 7, 2011. A peace-filled Resurrection Mass was celebrated in her parish in Flint, Michigan with many priests, Jesuit and Diocesan, concelebrating before a filled church. We will miss her cheerful demeanor and lively addition to our lives. May she rest in the peace of the Lord.



From the Director



As I sit down to write, spring is already in the air. The temperatures have risen into the 60's in recent days, and crocuses have begun to poke their heads through the ground. With the warming temperatures, earlier sunrise, and hints of green and gold, it's hard to avoid being touched by the sense of new life, renewal, and promise that surrounds us. The approach of spring also signals to us it's time to begin our spring cleaning—time to clean up from the ravages of winter, and open our windows to some fresh air. The Lenten season is also offering us the opportunity for some serious *interior* spring cleaning in anticipation of the Easter celebration that awaits us at the end of April. Spring is also a time for planning--Bernie has been imagining his garden for weeks now and has already been out in his beds twice this month. He's obviously been plotting the shape of this year's garden to come.

The staff and board of directors have also been doing some imagining and planning of our own as we attempt to formulate a strategic plan for the next five years to guide Manresa into the future. It's hard to envision what the world will be like even a year from now, but we need to chart a course for ourselves and anticipate our needs if we hope to keep Manresa faithful to its mission and alive and awake to 'the signs of the times.'

One of the most important things to arise out of our discussions so far is the appreciation of how important our week-end retreats are to the well-being of the house. While we carry on many other ministries at Manresa and host a good number of other events besides, our core ministry and mission remains sharing the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola with the men and women of the Archdiocese of Detroit and beyond. We recognize how essential is it for us to continue this ministry and invite more people to share in it.

Another important insight of this past year is the recognition that one of the priorities of Manresa is to empower our community to go out and share the experience and graces of their retreat with others through Christian service and greater participation in the work of their Church communities. We see ourselves as a 'fire that kindles other fires,' and to that end we hope to further encourage the members of the Manresa community to go out and share the Good News with others. On another page you can read about one ministry in which a Manresa volunteer is engaged and in each future issue of *Manresa Matters* we plan to highlight the ministries in which members of our community are involved.

Spring often heralds the beginning of repairs after the ravages of winter. The Stations of the Cross that have served retreatants to Manresa for eighty years are showing signs that they are not immune to the elements. Although they have stood faithfully since the earliest days of the retreat house, the time has come when some serious refurbishing and reconstruction are necessary. We invite you to read the article included in this edition on our fund-raising project to renovate them.

We encourage readers to take advantage of the ministry which is carried on at Manresa—spiritual direction, faith formation, retreat ministry, liturgical worship, prayer ministry, service to those in need, care of our environment, faith sharing, scripture study, and a good number of other activities. There are many ways in which you can grow spiritually through the activities carried on at Manresa, and many ways you can help support the work that is done here. With the arrival of Spring I invite you to become more involved in the life and work of Manresa.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gregory Hyde, S.J.".

Time to Garden!

The Garden Gang needs your help!

The last vestiges of winter are slowly evaporating as the sun sends its warm greetings to the sleeping earth. Can you feel an urge to dig in to aid mother earth yield to the season? We have a volunteer opportunity for you!

Each year we spend the month of May edging, planting, mulching and weeding around the many garden beds gracing the Manresa property. It is rewarding work as the dull gray winter landscape blossoms into a palette of colors. Volunteers are the backbone of the effort, and we need you! Do you have only a couple of hours on Saturday or perhaps an hour here or there? Whatever works for you, works for us! There are always weeds to pull, and plants to tend to.

If you are available on the first two Saturday mornings in May, Anne Marie Monette, Ann Wiacek and Cathy Humenny will begin to work with a group of volunteers to enhance Manresa's prayerful and beautiful spaces. Bring your garden tools, roll up your sleeves and let's all dig in as we welcome spring to the Manresa gardens! (This is a great service hour opportunity for any high school students!) *AMM/AW/CH*

Bring Your Picnic Baskets!

Mark your calendars now and tack a reminder on the refrigerator to come to the **Manresa Family Picnic on Sunday, June 5th beginning at 2:00 PM** with a Mass at the Grotto. Last year's picnic on the grounds was a rousing success despite the drizzle that followed the Liturgy. It was still a wonderful day sparked by great food, music, games and simply a good ole' fashioned good time. If you missed kids playing in the rain last year, it was simply a delight to watch and remember that we are supposed to have joy in everything. They certainly did!

We plan a repeat performance for 2011. Plans are afoot for more games for the kids, barnyard animals to pet, food, music and song for everyone. We will also have the "Early Bird" Raffle drawing (see article on the raffle tickets and buy yours today).

We'll supply burgers and dogs from the grill, buns, lemonade and ice cream cones. So pack a picnic basket with the rest of

your eats, a blanket or folding chair, and join us for a great day at Manresa. Bring a neighbor or friend too. There will be tours of the House beginning at 3:00 PM conducted by trained volunteers who will bring you up on the history of Manresa. Don't miss the fun.



[Click here for more info](#)

Auction Raffle Tickets On Sale

The 2011 Manresa Raffle is underway! As you know, the raffle contributes mightily to the financial support of the Spirit of Manresa Auction Event. We are hoping to sell 3,600 tickets to achieve a goal of \$30,000 in raffle proceeds. First prize this year is \$5,000 in cash which will be drawn the evening of the Dinner (you do not need to be present to win).

We are repeating the **EARLY BIRD DRAWING** to be held at the Manresa Family Picnic on June 5th (see related article in this issue). The prize for the June drawing is \$1,000 AND TWO TICKETS TO THE DINNER AND AUCTION IN SEPTEMBER, a \$300 value. Tickets are already available in the Front Office at Manresa or by clipping the coupon below and mailing in an order. Those receiving this by mail will also receive three tickets which can be returned in the envelope with the issue.

The cost of the tickets is \$10 each or 3 for \$25.

Don't miss out on your chance to win...and help Manresa too!

Last year's Big Winner was Paula Kreinbring from Centerline, Michigan. She purchased her winning ticket last year by clipping out the coupon below and sending it into us...**are you our next winner?**



You can order raffle tickets in three ways. The easiest is to click on the link below and order them directly from our website. Just fill in the on-line form and include your credit card information. Secondly you can call us at 248.644.4933, extension 10 and order them. You can also simply print this page from your computer and snip out the coupon below and fill it out. Send it to: Manresa Jesuit Retreat House, Raffle

1390 Quarton Road
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48304

[Get tickets on-line](#)

Cut and mail to Manresa:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Please send me _____ tickets. I have enclosed

\$ _____ .

(Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25)

Capital Idea!

As Manresa's Board of Directors embark on updating our Strategic Plan, I can't help but reflect on the blessing that Manresa is on solid ground financially. That was not always the case: just a few short years ago the house was operating with a deficit and our bank account was quickly dwindling. In spite of the continuing stress of our poor economy, with the hard work and generosity of many dedicated people, we can look forward and plan, not just for survival, but to ensure the financial viability of Manresa for generations to come. As we examine our mission, our vision, our objectives, it is abundantly clear that Manresa is based securely on a vibrant community with its roots firmly planted in Ignatian Spirituality. The Spirit is strong at Manresa, allowing us to continue to be a "Fire that Kindles Other Fires".

Our next challenge is to ensure the house and the grounds continue to be beautiful, safe and comfortable. Traditionally, this is the time of year in which we ask for support for our Capital Fund, which was established to underwrite major repairs and improvements to the buildings and the grounds. Our current project, featured on the front page, is the renovation of the outdoor Stations of the Cross, a beloved part of the Manresa retreat experience. Other upcoming projects include painting, both some bedrooms inside and the eastern side of the old building on the outside, replacement of our 60-year-old hot water heater, the steam boilers that provide heat in the Jesuit quarters and a major repair to the large boiler that warms the old section of the house. We also want to continue some tree replacement along the Quarton corridor as some of the older evergreens are beginning to die off or get trimmed back.

In this season of Lent we are called to consider a gift of our treasure. Please take a moment to prayerfully consider whether a gift to Manresa is what you are called to do. Remember, Manresa is a 501(c)(3) organization so your contribution is tax deductible as allowed by law. An on-line donation can be made [through our website](#). Indicate it is for the Capital Campaign or the Stations. Thanks.

Rita Tinetti

Gifts of any size are welcome for our Stations renovation. If you wish to memorialize or honor a loved one, adopting a Station, bench or tree is a very loving way to show you care.

To donate online,

[click here](#).

Adopt a Station
\$8,000

Adopt a Bench
\$2500

Adopt a Tree
\$600

Please indicate which Station you prefer.

1st choice ____ **2nd** ____

Memorial Gifts

In honor of Fr. Ken Kacheck

Phyllis Look

In memory of Agnes O. Brooks

Michael and Peng Brooks

In memory of deceased daughters Mary & Theresa

Ernest and Alice Cullen

In memory of Elsie L. Stocker

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In memory of Dr. Charles Berner

Michael and Patricia Edwards

In memory of John McDonnell

Pam Fazzio J

Joyce Hargrave

Thomas Mary Ellen White

In memory of Marilyn Bruley

John and Linda Jacobs

In memory of Marcus Uncle

Stanley Kwasiborski

In memory of Terry O'Connor

Michele Laforest

Light in the Darkness



Last year the annual meeting for all Jesuit retreat houses met here at Manresa. Many of them took home with them the Light in the Darkness prayer pamphlets to share with retreatants all over the United States. Thus far 24,000 prayer pamphlets have been distributed to our prayer partners. In John 1 we are encouraged to share Christ who is the Light of the World. Be a Good Samaritan and get your prayer pamphlet today. Call 248.723.5657 for a free copy in either English or Hispanic language.

Bill Wittenberg, Spiritual Director

See our [web page](#) or [video](#)

Nature Trail Update

The sleeping trails skirting the northern boundaries of the Manresa property are awakening with the warmer spring rains and the slow disappearing of the blanket of snow. Last fall, Detroit Jesuit Mike O'Grady and his steady flow of volunteers were clearing brush, pruning trees and trails, spreading cedar mulch at the entrances of the trail and removing the accumulated debris from sight. Mike was given the task to envision a meditative walk dotted with places of spiritual seclusion that would help people connect to a loving and creative God. His vision and experience of the Spiritual Exercises are finding their way into the design of the nature trail.

"I have found several places where the natural habitat can enable someone to immerse themselves in the creation of God and find peace," he reported last November when asked about progress in the wooded, hilly boundary. Mike has plans for benches, identification markers of indigenous trees, the addition of some natural and artistically enhanced artifacts to help with meditation and importantly, trail improvements to make the journey more accessible. "It is a treasure few really take the time to experience, but it is a place where God can reach our soul. Making it easier to walk along the trimmed paths and preparing an inviting entrance will hopefully bring more people. We really have to be thankful to the many people at last year's auction who gave us the funds to help supply benches and improve the walk."



So we can expect to hear the 'musical' hum of chain saws and hammers with the warming days of spring and summer as the trail takes shape. Take a walk along the trail the next time you are out to Manresa and if you see Brother Mike, let him know how much you appreciate the progress. If you would like to help, drop us a line and we'll put you in touch with Brother Mike.

monitor and men's group facilitator (in which role he leads the men in the Examen) has been essential in the Center's Ignatian development. Individuals who wish to learn more about the Caritas Welcome Center or offer practical or financial assistance are invited to call Jim Horgan at 313.580.4337.

Together we can make a difference as we realize the Caritas Welcome Center's mission statement: "to engage one another in a spirit of Ignatian contemplation and action as an image of God's love." You can find more about this ministry and the Ignatian Volunteer Corps [here](#).

Lighting Other Fires

As our Dinner Auction highlighted last year, Manresa is a community carrying the Spirit of their experience here at Manresa in prayer, reflection, guidance and teaching to the wider context of their lives. We would like to spotlight some of the work being carried out as a result of either a new partnership or simply the extraordinary in our midst from the Manresa community. This issue focuses on Caritas Ministries and the Ignatian Volunteer Corps working out of Manresa.

Caritas Welcome Center

Each of us struggles with the daily experiences of joy, hardship, temptation and grace. Even in the best of times, one is forced to cling firmly to a roller-coaster of conflicted emotions. For some the ride is further exacerbated by the complex realities of chemical addiction, mental illness, bereavement and/or chronic impoverishment. Tensions and lack of clarity often result when the harsh realities of these acts and emotions intersect.

How do we honor the painful realities of those in our community? How do we facilitate healing of another? How do we engage in caritas, or love, for one's neighbor?



Manresa Jesuit Retreat House and Caritas Welcome Center are both places for those who desire to explore the changes on the roller-coaster of life. As guests of Manresa seek clarity and rekindling of spirit, so, too, do the guests of Caritas hunger for a safe haven for rest and renewal. Although Caritas offers its guests safe refuge from the chaos of the streets and the sub-culture of street addiction and mental illness, it shares Manresa's embrace of Ignatian spirituality as its own tool to guide its programs. Indeed, Caritas' Ignatian way of discernment provides a framework for hope to be restored and one's spirit to be set ablaze for authentic healing.

Many neighbors make this vision a reality for the 45-75 guests who visit each weekday morning. Staff, Board of Director members, volunteers, and partnering churches sustain the Caritas Mission of pastoral and practical care. Nick Sharkey, director of the Ignatian Volunteers of Manresa, has been a volunteer for many years. His generous commitment as a floor

Upcoming Program Offerings at Manresa

Registration: Credit card payment accepted by phone 248.644.4933 or [on our website](#)

I – EXTENDED PROGRAMS

In Spiritu: Prayer of the Body and Spirit

John 4:23 We are called to worship the Father
in spirit and in truth.

2011 Spring/Summer Program

Incarnational prayer: prayer out of breath, therapeutic postures, sacred music, and quiet meditation can deepen our worship of the Father. We invite you to join us for In Spiritu...a time for solitude and silence...a time for prayer and meditation...a time for withdrawal and reflection...a time to re-focus your attention on God. Come join with us in our prayer of body and spirit. Our program will create a space for peace and meditation within you and provide for an “upward lifting” of your mind, heart, and spirit to that of Christ.

Leader: Grace Seroka, Graduate of the Ignatian Internship Program. Certified instructor and member of YAGD (Yoga Association of Greater Detroit)

Date: Monday Evenings:
Spring: April 25; May 9 and 16
Summer: June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 18 and 25 ;
August 1, 15, 22 and 29

Time: 5:30 – 6:45 PM

Cost: Spring and summer will be drop-in only classes: \$12 per class. Cash or checks made payable to Manresa. Bring payment the evening of the class.

Equipment: Please bring your exercise mat and blanket or towel (some extra mats are available for your use.) Therapeutic bands are needed and are available for purchase at a cost of \$8.
Weather permitting we may be outside.

Registration: [Click here.](#)

II - OVERNIGHT PROGRAMS

Palm Sunday Mini-Retreat for Women

What better way to prayerfully and reflectively begin Holy Week than in the company of other women in the sacred space of Manresa? We are pleased to offer a mini-retreat for women which will begin at 3 PM on Palm Sunday, April 17, 2011, and end after lunch on Monday, April 18. There will be Sunday liturgy and time for sharing as well as silent reflection and prayer. On Monday morning we will join the Women to Women prayer group to break open the story of the woman who had a powerful encounter with Jesus just before His Passion.



Date: Palm Sunday, April 17 & 18

Time: Begins at 3:00 PM

Cost: \$75 includes 3 meals and a private room. A \$20 non-refundable deposit will be asked [when you register.](#)

Facilitators: Mary McKeon and Diane Neville

See the advertisement on page 8 for this event and for the special *For Women Only* and travel with Mary on the road to Calvary. It is an unique journey facilitated by Mary McKeon.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Spiritual Exercises Information Session

Have you heard about the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius and wondered what they are about? Has a friend ever said, “The Exercises were a life changing experience for me!” and you wanted to know more? Has someone you know recommended that you make the Spiritual Exercises?

Join others who are interested in learning more about the Spiritual Exercises prayed in the setting of daily life. The evening will give an overview of this 9 – 10 month retreat and a deeper understanding of how God may be working in your life. There is no fee for the session.

Facilitator: Ann Dillon
Time: 7:00 – 8:30 PM
Date: Wednesday, May 18th



Third Annual Jack Schuett, SJ Memorial Golf Outing -

...May 18

Manresa will hold its third annual "Jack Schuett Golf Outing" on May 18th, returning to the beautiful Shenandoah Country Club. We have changed the agenda to allow those who must, to work in the morning and join us for lunch at 11:00 and a 11:45 AM Tee Off time. Following the round there will be a short program, awards, drinks and appetizers.

We have a wonderful array of prizes this year including the opportunity to win a car with that once-in-a-lifetime shot on a par three. More easily attained are the raffle chances you can use to bid on several unique gifts.

Last year we had a great time together. Organize a foursome out of your retreat group and enjoy the day with us at Shenandoah. The cost is \$125/person or a foursome for \$500. Hole sponsorships (\$300) and Event sponsorships, which include a complimentary foursome (\$600) are offered to those who can help underwrite some of the costs of the event. Sign up today by calling us at 248.644.4933 or [register through the website](#).

I've Been Reading

By Peter Fennessy, SJ

What Happened at Vatican II by John O'Malley.
Belknap Press, 2008

A great summary of the Council including a history of the century leading up to it, the main issues underneath the discussed issues, the dynamics of the four years, the conflicts and colorful characters involved, and the final accomplishments and failures. Probably the most insightful book on the Council I have read.

Pilgrimages & Trips

We are currently planning two 11-day trips next year. The first led by Fr. Fennessy is to **The Splendors of Eastern Europe**, from September 12-22, 2011. We will visit, Salzburg, Vienna, Budapest, Bratislava, Prague, and Munich. [The on-line brochure](#).

The second is **A Christmas Tour of Italy**, November 29 to December 9, 2011, visiting Venice, Padua, Florence, Assisi, Greccio, and Rome. We will see the Christmas decorations and do Christmas shopping at the special boutiques set up just for that purpose during the Advent season. [The on-line brochure](#), or let us know if you're interested and we'll send you a hard copy of the brochure.

Manresa Jesuit Retreat House Announces:

The Third Annual Jack Schuett, SJ Memorial Golf Outing

You can print and clip out this registration or click on the link below to be a sponsor or participate in the outing.

Where: Shenandoah Country Club
5600 Walnut Lake
West Bloomfield, Mi 48323

When: **May 18, 2011**

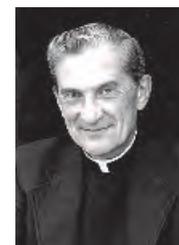
10:45 AM Check In

Lunch & Prizes

Shotgun start at 11:45 AM

Drinks and Appetizers following

[Registration Information](#)



Name _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Golf: Foursome: \$ 500 _____

Individuals: \$ 125 _____

I would like to sponsor a hole.

Company Name: _____

Hole Sponsorship: \$ 300

Event Sponsorship \$600

(Please make checks payable to Manresa)

Mail Registration to:

Manresa Jesuit Retreat House

Fr. Schuett Memorial Golf Outing

1390 Quarton Road, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48304

[Register on-line](#)

FOR WOMEN ONLY

Come join other women as we journey with Mary, Mother of Jesus, on the road to Calvary. The Wednesday of Holy Week, April 20th, provides a prayerful opportunity to see through Mary's eyes, and to give personal reflection to the depth and significance of Jesus' Passion, Death, and Resurrection. The \$35.00 cost includes dinner. Facilitator: Mary McKeon

**Wednesday, April 20, 2011
6:00 p.m. to 9:15 PM**

Registration and time for personal prayer-5:30-6:00 PM

A \$10 deposit (nonrefundable) will be required when you RSVP.

You may [register online](#) for these programs or call Manresa's Front Office at 248.644.4933



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Concert Series Inaugural Year Hits High Notes!

The 2010—2011 Manresa Concert Series held its last performance on March 6th listening to the young and energetic Mason Cormie Jazz Trio. Playing many selections they composed themselves, the undergraduates from DePaul University wow'ed the crowd with scintillating and talented solos and instrumental virtuoso highlights during the afternoon set. The large crowd expressed their gratitude not only by their applause but also in person as the performers mixed with the guests during a tasty afterglow in Manresa's Dining Room. It was an appropriate finish to an excellent series by all accounts. Performances earlier in the year by Mr. Leszek Bartkiewicz and Cantate!, a musical chorus group, were each in front of a full house of 100+ in the Wernert Lounge. "This year set a very high mark for anything that follows, and I am pleased to say, we think we have a very good line up for then next year," said Concert Series Chair, Pat Seibold.

The 2011—2012 Series is already set for next year and features some very good talent. Tickets are already on sale through the Manresa Front Office (248.644.4933), on-line at our website or by mail. Don't miss your chance as we expect each date to sell out! The recently formed Manresa Lay Retreatants League will sponsor the coming season of three concert presentations:

- On October 9, 2011, *Reflections in Song*, featuring Mezzo-Soprano Dorothy Duensing with Pianist Fr. Eduard Perrone in a wonderful evening of classical music
- On December 11, 2011, a beautiful evening of spiritual Christmas songs featuring the 16 member ensemble from the Detroit Unity Temple.
- On March 4, 2012, *Brazil and Beyond* will bring their infectious Brazilian beat to the Wernert Lounge

Tickets are \$25 each or you can buy the series for \$60 which you can [purchase on-line](#). Manresa is still looking for Season Sponsors or individual Concert Sponsors to help underwrite the cost of the events. Proceeds from the Concert Series help to fund the Capital Fund and the maintenance of the Concert Grand Piano. We do hope to see you at all three.

Leaving a Legacy

My father was a humble man of modest means with 8 kids and a wife to support. In his lifetime he was a very charitable man, giving small gifts to several organizations, seldom more than \$25. You would never expect him to leave a planned gift. But he did, to four of his favorite charities, one of which was Manresa. He did this without sacrificing financial security for my Mom and while still leaving a bit of something for each of his kids. Yet, his true legacy to his family is the lesson we learned about his priorities and values. Dad is gone, but even in his passing, his values will live on in his children and in the organizations he was most involved in and cared most about.



Frank Tinetti 1915-2000

My father's example proves you need not neglect your family when making a bequest to a charitable organization. Nor do you need to be wealthy. Dad provided for his family first, yet, with careful planning, was able to give generously to his favorite charities.

A surprising number of people—7 out of 10 adults—do not have a will that indicates, as my father's did, how your property will be distributed after your death. Do you have questions about how to leave your own legacy? If so, I invite you to join us at a community information seminar on Thursday, May 19 at 6 PM here at Manresa. Our guest speaker will be Tom Scholler, Associate Director of the Department of Development and Stewardship in the Archdiocese of Detroit. Tom is both a CPA and a Lawyer and has over 40 years of experience guiding people on planned giving.

You may be surprised at the wide variety of options available to you for your gift, many of which include financial and tax benefits now. **This is not a sales presentation nor will you be pressured to give.** It is an opportunity to learn about your options for giving, regardless of which organization you choose to support, regardless of your level of income. If you wish, you can sign up for a 15-20 minute consultation with a Financial Advisor who can discuss with you your specific situation and options you may have to accomplish your legacy-giving goals with life insurance and/or annuities. Again, this is NOT a sales presentation.

A light dinner will be provided. Please join us; it will be informative and fun. See you there! [RSVP here.](#)

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rita".

Rita K. Tinetti
Development Manager

JOIN US AS
MANRESA PRESENTS

*Stewardship,
Your Will and
Planned Giving*

A COMMUNITY
INFORMATION SEMINAR

Thursday, May 19
6 PM
Dinner is included.

Private consultations with a Financial
Planner are available on a limited basis.
Reserve your time when you RSVP.

[RSVP Online](#)

248.644.4933 or rtinetti@manresa-sj.org

We hope you'll tell us if you have named Manresa in your will. We would like the opportunity to thank you *personally* for your generosity. Recognition of your gift will encourage others to put Manresa in their will as well. If you prefer to remain anonymous, your gift will be kept completely confidential. Call Rita at 248.644.2933 ext. 14 [or follow this link.](#) We appreciate your support.

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Spring and Summer Retreat Schedule

The retreat schedule for the Spring of 2011 is highlighted below. Many of you will recognize your weekend, but still many others may have missed their retreat last fall or would like to attend another weekend. There are openings available as the schedule indicates below. If you would like to attend a retreat, please register by calling Manresa at 248.644.4933 or by using the easy and secure on-line registration at our website (www.manresa-sj.org).

Upcoming Retreats –Spring and Summer, 2011

Conference Retreats for Men

Date	Director	Openings
4/ 29 – 5/1	Fr. Joseph Wagner, SJ	22
5/ 13 –15	Fr. Jim Serrick, SJ	52
6/ 3 – 5	Fr. Leo Cachat, SJ	63

Conference Retreats for Women

Date	Director	Openings
5/ 6 – 8	Fr. Peter Fennessy, SJ	19
5/10 – 12	Fr. Leo Cachat, SJ	24
6/23 – 25	Fr. Peter Fennessy, SJ	22

Conference Retreats for Men and Women

Date	Director	Openings
Christian Meditation 5/ 20 – 26	Fr. Laurence Freeman, OSB	Waiting List
Married Couples 8/ 5 – 7	Fr. Jim Serrick, SJ	36
Separated and Divorced 8/ 12 – 14	TBD	25

Conference Retreats for Special Groups

Date	Director(s)	Openings
Retreat for Hispanics (in Spanish) 6/ 10 – 12	C. Fernandez and Team	20
Religious Sisters Retreat 6/ 12 – 18	Fr. Leo Cachat, SJ	Waiting List
Alanon Women 6/ 29– 7/1	Sr. Linda Fischer, ASC	35

Individually Directed Retreat Sessions

Date	Openings
6/ 13 – 22	5
7/ 19 – 28	10
8/ 10 – 19	15



You can register for any of these retreats [on line](#).



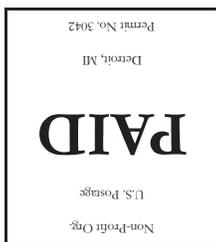
Individually Directed Retreats - 2011

Each year Manresa sets aside time in the summer for retreatants to spend extended times at Manresa in a setting individualized to their spiritual walk. Called Individually Directed Retreats or IDRs, the sessions are scheduled to occur once a month, June through August and last up to eight days in length. It is a time of consistent and systematic prayer during which individuals share their prayer experience with a companion, who in turn assists them in their spiritual journey.

It is a different journey than a conference retreat experience. Rather than a series of talks aimed at the general situation of the group, IDRs are tailored by an experienced director to suit the unique situation of the retreatant. The director will meet daily with the retreatant, listen and encourage them to give voice to their experience in prayer and to come to a deeper perception and understanding of that experience. Many directors draw upon their own experience and their knowledge of the Spiritual Exercises to guide the retreatant.

As one can understand, this is a more intense encounter and is better suited generally for the more experienced retreatant. Some familiarity with meditative prayer, comfort with silence, an ability to recognize inner movements of the Spirit within them and enough openness and trust to share these experiences with their directors are all prerequisites.

Each session is limited to available directors and space in the Retreat House. [Register on line.](#)



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Retreatant Awards — November 15 to March 15

Manresa Crest—presented on the 25th Retreat

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	Jeffry Brett	

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November 15, 2010 - March 15, 2011

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Paul Carrier	St. Anastasia	11	Bernice Owens	Manresa Ladies	2
Barton DeMerchant	Inner Healing	4	Sr. Marie Therese Poulin Sisters Retreat		3
Sally Goggins	Manresa I	9	Clayton Lambard	St. Dennis	29
John F. McDonnell	Holy Week	1	Jean Britten	Manresa VII	10