



# ROSARY HOUSE SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTRE 2022

*No reira, ka kiiia toku whare, he whare inoi mo nga iwi katoa Isaiah 56:7*

*Therefore, my house will be called a house of prayer for everyone Isaiah 56:7*

A non-residential Centre for prayer and contemplation; retreats, prayer days, spiritual direction, programmes and seminars which promote spiritual development.

Rosary House, 22 Gracefield Ave,  
Christchurch 8013

## Registrations:

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[www.sistersofmercy.org.nz](http://www.sistersofmercy.org.nz)

"Be still and know that I am God."  
Ps 46:10

"Listen for the melody of God  
in your own lives."  
Pope Francis 2021



## Contemplative Prayer Noticing God's Presence

Facilitator Sr Mary Catherwood

Tuesday 22 February

10.30 - 11.30am (Cuppa available before)

Prayer of Awareness. Be led in silent prayer noticing a consciousness of God in everyday life. Reflective music and scripture will support prayer.

This series will continue on selected Tuesdays of the year. Indication of attendance prior to each session helpful.

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## Everything is Connected Contemplative Walks in Nature

Dates to be arranged

Pope Francis exhorts us to take 'time to recover a serene harmony with creation, reflecting on our lifestyle and our ideals, and contemplating the Creator who lives among us and surrounds us'. *Laudato Si'* §225.

This is an opportunity to spend reflective time walking in silence within a group. The walks (2-4hrs) will be at a variety of places of nature within the outskirts of Christchurch and beyond. DOC rating: "Easy". BYO lunch and appropriate gear.

For further information and booking contact Bede at [kiwibede@gmail.com](mailto:kiwibede@gmail.com)

## **A Listening Church**

**Synodality: Listening and group sharing**

**Tuesday 1 March**

Come at **10.30am** or **1.30pm** or both times

We are called to listen to one another and respond within the worldwide consultation initiated by Pope Francis for a listening Church.

Open to people of all faiths.

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## **Scripture Series**

**Gospel according to Luke Year C**

**Sr Kathleen Rushton RSM**

**Thursday 3 March**

**7.30pm – 9pm**

(Further sessions: 16 June, 15 Sept, and 17 Nov)

In the context of *lectio divina*, this session of the Sunday Gospels Series will focus on hearing both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor in the Gospel Readings of Lent and Easter as proclaimed in the Roman and Revised Common Lectionaries for Year C.

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## **Contemplative Prayer**

**Noticing God's Presence**

**Facilitator Sr Mary Catherwood**

**Tuesday 22 March**

**10.30 - 11.30am** (Cuppa available before)

Prayer through *lectio divina*, sacred reading.

Be led in silent prayer allowing God's word to speak to you and hearing words or phrases spoken aloud. Reflective music and scripture support this prayer time.

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## **Lenten Retreat**

*'Standing near the Cross of Jesus was his mother ...'* John 19:25

**Joy Ryan-Bloore, Jungian Analyst**

**Friday 8 April 6.45pm – 8.45pm**

**Saturday 9 April 9.30am – 4pm**

Contemporary Reflections on the Mystery of the Cross and the "arduous labour of evolution."

(Teilhard de Chardin)

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Suggested contribution \$60 or donation according to means

## **Six Day Residential Silent Retreat in Timaru**

**An Ignatian retreat drawing on scripture and supported by individual spiritual direction.**

**Facilitators** Sr Mary Catherwood RSM, Sr Lyndall Brown rsj and another Spiritual Director.

**Friday 22 April begins at 7pm**

**Concludes Thursday 28 April at 3.30pm**

To aid your prayer and personal reflection this retreat is made in silence.

More information available on request from Rosary House.

**Venue: Sisters of Mercy House  
7a Craigie Avenue, Timaru**

Cost \$700

Registration essential to

[roho@xtra.co.nz](mailto:roho@xtra.co.nz) or Ph 03 379 1298

## **Reflection Day**

**The Spirituality of Eldering**

**Facilitator Lyndall Brown rsj**

**Tuesday 10 May**

**10.30am – 2.30pm**

*'Spirituality of Eldering is what we participate in consciously and willingly.'*

This Reflection day will offer ways to discover the richness of life when we age with grace.

We will reflect on three themes: growing contemplatively, learning the art of letting go and the wisdom of the years.

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## **Contemplative Prayer**

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**Facilitator Sr Mary Catherwood**

**Tuesday 24 May**

**10.30-11.30am** (Cuppa available before)

Imaginative Contemplation. Be led in silent prayer entering into a gospel scene imaginatively and attending to the presence of Jesus. Brief group sharing and reflective music.

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## **Interconnectedness of all things (Part 1)**

**Laudato Si'**

**Tuesday 7 June** (Also July, Aug, Sept)

**1.30pm -2.30pm**

**Facilitator Sr Mary Catherwood**

Input and interaction using video and print resources to extend an appreciation of the sacredness of earth and our responsibility.

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"Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it." Luke 11:28

## Scripture Series

### Gospel according to Luke Year C

Sr Kathleen Rushton RSM

Thursday 16 June

7.30pm – 9pm

(Further sessions: 15 Sept, 17 Nov)

This session of the Sunday Gospels Series will focus on hearing both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor in the Gospel Readings of the 13th to 24th Sundays of Ordinary Time of the Roman Lectionary and the 3rd to 14th Sundays After Pentecost of Revised Common Lectionary for Year C (26 June-11 September). Using *lectio divina*, we shall explore the first part of the journey of Jesus to Jerusalem (Lk 9:51-15:42).

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## Seminar

*'Woman, why are you weeping, who are you looking for?'* John 20:15

**Saturday 18 June 10am - 4pm**

**Joy Ryan-Bloore, Jungian Analyst**

This seminar will explore the spiritual and psychological development of women in later life.

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Suggested contribution \$60 or donation according to means.

## Contemplative Prayer

### Noticing God's Presence

Facilitator Sr Mary Catherwood

Tuesday 21 June

10.30-11.30am (Cuppa available before)

Praying with a scriptural image. Luke 15:3-7

Reflective music and art are part of this prayer time.

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## Reflection Day

### "The Way We Pray; The Way We are with God"

Facilitator Dr Mary Allan

Saturday 2 July

10.30am – 3.30pm (Cuppa at 10am)

A quiet day of prayer with input, personal reflection and sharing.

Bring own lunch. Tea, coffee provided.

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## Interconnectedness of all things

### (Part 2, 3 & 4)

#### *Laudato Si'*

Tuesday 5 July 1.30 -2.30 pm

Tuesday 2 August 1.30 -2.30pm

Tuesday 6 Sept 1.30pm -2.30pm

Facilitators: Sisters of Mercy

New material at each session. Come to any or all.

Input and interaction using a variety of resources to extend our appreciation of the sacredness of earth and our responsibility.

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## Teilhard's Mysticism

Kevin Gallagher

Friday 5 August 7pm-9pm and

Saturday 6 August 10am – 4pm

Jesuit palaeontologist Pierre Teilhard de Chardin describes the stages of his mystical growth in terms of circles as he plunged ever more deeply

into the heart of matter and discovered a God for evolution. Through input, prayer, song and

sharing, participants are invited to experience with Teilhard a deepening from Circle to Circle

into the heart of the Cosmic Christ.

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**Riccarton**

Bring own lunch; tea/coffee provided.

Suggested contribution \$60 or

donation according to means.

## Contemplative Prayer

### Noticing God's Presence

Facilitator Sr Mary Catherwood

Tuesday 16 August

10.30-11.30am (Cuppa available before)

Centering Prayer. Opening oneself to inner stillness and God's presence. Reflective music is part of this

prayer time.

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## Reflection Day

### The Gospel of Creation

Facilitator Lyndall Brown rsj

Saturday 27 August

10.30am – 2.30pm

*God has written a precious book, whose letters are the multitude of created things present in the Universe.* Pope Francis *Laudate Si'*.

A contemplative day pondering the writings of Thomas Merton and the poet Mary Oliver, and

drawing on inspiration from *Laudate Si'*.

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"By the tender mercy of our God the dawn from on high will break upon us." Luke 1:78



## **Interconnectedness of all things (Part 4)**

### ***Laudato Si'***

**Tuesday 6 September**

**1.30pm -2.30pm**

**Facilitators: Sisters of Mercy**

Input and interaction using a variety of resources to extend an appreciation of the sacredness of earth and our responsibility.

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### **Scripture Series**

**Gospel according to Luke Year C**

**Dr Kathleen Rushton RSM**

**Thursday 15 Sept 7.30pm – 9pm**

This session of the Sunday Gospels Series will focus on hearing both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor in the Gospel Readings of the 25th to 33rd Sundays of Ordinary Time of the Roman Lectionary and the 15th-23rd Sundays after Pentecost of Revised Common Lectionary for Year C (18 September-20 November). Using *lectio divina*, we shall explore the second part of the journey of Jesus to Jerusalem (Lk 16-19) and the ministry of Jesus there (Lk 20-21).

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### **Contemplative Prayer**

**Noticing God's Presence**

**Facilitator Sr Mary Catherwood**

**Tuesday 20 September**

**10.30-11.30am** (Cuppa available before)

Praying with a psalm. Through *lectio divina* sacred reading move into silent prayer.

Reflective music is part of this prayer time.

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### **Mercy Day Prayer and Gathering**

**Join with Sisters of Mercy**

**Saturday 24 September 2pm**

Celebrate God's Mercy on this feast of Our Lady of Mercy with a time of reflection and socialising.

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Upper Riccarton**

Indication of attendance helpful.

### **Guided/Directed Five Day**

**Non-Residential Retreat**

**Fr Brian Cummings SM**

**Monday 3 October - Friday 7 October**

**10am - 4pm daily**

*An Ignatian retreat presented using a variety of input.* Further information on request.

**The venue for this retreat is Villa Maria**

**College, Peer Street, Upper Riccarton.**

In this setting we will provide an atmosphere of stillness and silence, spaces for prayer and a general gathering place.

Bring own lunch; morning and afternoon tea provided. Cost \$280

### **Contemplative Prayer**

**Noticing God's Presence**

**Facilitator Sr Mary Catherwood**

**Tuesday 25 October**

**10.30-11.30am** (Cuppa available before)

Prayer with the following Sunday's readings

Including imaginative contemplation (Luke 19:1-10) and reflective music.

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### **Remembering Parihaka**

**Sr Kathleen Rushton RSM**

**Date to be decided**

To register interest and for further information

about a screening of the documentary film

*Tātarakihi: the Children of Parihaka*, other events to be arranged by the Parihaka Network-Ngā Manu

Korihi Ōtautahi and an opportunity

to commemorate Parihaka Day (5 November) email: [roho@xtra.co.nz](mailto:roho@xtra.co.nz)

### **Scripture Series**

**Gospel according to Matthew Year A**

**Dr Kathleen Rushton RSM**

**Thursday 17 November**

**7.30pm – 9pm**

In preparation for the new liturgical year which begins in Advent, this session will give an overview of the Gospel according to Matthew and look at Advent, Christmas and January

Sunday readings to invite us to listen more deeply to the gospel readings of Year A in order to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

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### **Advent Retreat**

*'An angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream'. Matthew 1:20*

**Joy Ryan-Bloore, Jungian Analyst**

**Friday 25 November 6.45pm – 8.45pm**

**Saturday 26 November 9.30am – 4pm**

Contemporary Reflections on the Mystery within the Call of Advent.

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Bring own lunch; tea/coffee provided

Suggested contribution \$60 or donation.

## Spiritual Direction

Spiritual Direction provides a supportive relationship in which to share the joys and struggles of our journey with a view to discovering in it the hand of Providence. In the context of listening and sharing there is the opportunity to reflect on our life and attitudes, gain deeper insight and self-knowledge and discover God's activity in life's experience. Those seeking spiritual direction may choose to meet regularly, usually for an hour once a month but sometimes at greater or shorter intervals. Cost negotiable. See insert with names.

## Retreats and Days of Prayer

Those wishing to make an individual daytime retreat or a private day of prayer at Rosary House are welcome to phone (03) 379-1298 or email [roho@xtra.co.nz](mailto:roho@xtra.co.nz). Also, those wishing to make a private Six/Eight Day Non-residential Retreat or Retreat in Daily Life are welcome to make phone or email contact. Staff at Rosary House can also put people in touch with Spiritual Directors available to lead people through the Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius as the 19th annotation (retreat in daily life over 35 weeks) and with opportunities for the 30 day residential retreat experience.

## Zoom Retreats

*offered by Lyndall Brown rsj*

### Wisdom of the Body

*'Everything that is ... is Holy' Thomas Merton*

*These three Mondays will draw wisdom from Celtic Spirituality. Each day will offer a contemplative journey to wholeness, recognising that our bodies and the earth's body are all sacred vessels. Each day's theme will be developed through Sacred Word, Music, Poetry, and Contemplative processes.*

**Date: Mondays - 13, 20 and 27 June.**

These three reflection days will be organized around two **Zoom** sessions each day, one each morning to set the theme of the day and one in the late afternoon to conclude the day's reflections. A reflective handout will also be given for each day. Further details will be sent after registrations.

Registrations: [lyndallb19@gmail.com](mailto:lyndallb19@gmail.com)

Phone: 021 1856750 Cost: Koha

## Earth as Original Monastery

This Springtime three-day guided retreat online will develop three themes from Christine Paintner's book **'Earth as our Original Monastery'**. The daily themes will offer time to pause, to savour and to cultivate awe, wonder, and gratitude for the Divine Presence in Creation.

**Date:**

**Tuesday 18 October - Thursday 20 October**

These Retreats will be organized around two **Zoom** sessions each day, one each morning to set the theme of the day and one in the late afternoon to conclude the day's reflections. A reflective handout will also be given for each day. Further details will be sent after registrations.

Registrations: [lyndallb19@gmail.com](mailto:lyndallb19@gmail.com)

Phone: 021 1856750 Cost: Koha

## Summary Guide

### Experience Ways of Praying:

Selected Tuesday mornings

### Reflection Days:

10 May, 2 July, 27 Aug

### Short Retreats:

8-9 April, 25-26 Nov

### Longer Retreats:

22-28 April, 3-7 Oct

### Scripture Evenings:

3 Mar, 16 June, 15 Sept, 17 Nov

### Interconnectedness

First Tuesdays June, July, Aug, Sept

### Reflective Seminars:

18 June, 5-6 Aug



Art. Cheryl Connelly RSM

## **Rosary House Spiritual Life Centre**

### **Profiles 2022**

**Sister Mary Catherwood** is a Sister of Mercy, has a Master of Spiritual Direction (University of Divinity, Melbourne) and is a member of ACSD (Aotearoa NZ) and Companions (Aust). She may be contacted for spiritual direction, reflection experiences and retreats, including the Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius. Ph 03-379-1298, 027-294-2741 or [mcatherwood@xtra.co.nz](mailto:mcatherwood@xtra.co.nz)

**Sister Anna Clarke** is a Sister of Mercy, an experienced Spiritual Director and member of the NZ Association for Christian Spiritual Directors. Anna is available for spiritual direction: Ph 379-1298, 027-249-4919 or [roho@xtra.co.nz](mailto:roho@xtra.co.nz)

**Sister Mary Gleeson** is a Sister of Mercy, an experienced Spiritual Director and a member of the NZ Association for Christian Spiritual Directors. Mary is available for spiritual direction. Ph 03-379-1298 or [roho@xtra.co.nz](mailto:roho@xtra.co.nz)

**Sister Kathleen Rushton** is a Sister of Mercy who has a particular interest in linking scripture and spirituality in life-giving ways. She is available as a Spiritual Director. Ph 03-352-7533  
[kprushton@gmail.com](mailto:kprushton@gmail.com)

**Joy Ryan-Bloore** is a Jungian Analyst (Zurich 1993-1997) who specialises in the interface of psychological and spiritual development. Her retreats explore the eternal truths embodied in the rituals and symbols of Christianity in the light of contemporary insights and facilitate the search for deeper meaning at all stages of life. Joy is available for dream analysis, psychotherapy, supervision and spiritual direction. Ph 021-173-4142 [ryanbloore@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ryanbloore@xtra.co.nz)

**Sister Lyndall Brown rsj** is a Sister of St Joseph who lives in Temuka. For many years Lyndall has worked in the ministry of Spiritual Accompaniment and Retreat work. Lyndall's spirituality is nourished by walking in nature and poetry both offering a doorway into the sacred. Lyndall is available for Spiritual Accompaniment online. Contact: [lyndallb19@gmail.com](mailto:lyndallb19@gmail.com) 021-185-6750

**Kevin Gallagher** has an MA in spiritual direction through the University of Divinity, Melbourne. He is available for spiritual direction, supervision and retreats throughout NZ. He is co-ordinator of Ignatian Spirituality NZ and a faculty member for *Te Wairua Mahi*, a course forming Spiritual Directors in the Ignatian tradition in NZ. [kevingallagher@xtra.co.nz](mailto:kevingallagher@xtra.co.nz) Ph 027-739-7007

**Lyn Gallagher** is a Spiritual Director, Retreat Director and Counsellor. She trained with SEED and St Beuno's Spirituality Centre, Wales. She has a diploma in psychosynthesis and experience in Interactive drawing therapy. Lyn offers spiritual direction, counselling and retreat facilitation. She is a member of the ACSD (Aotearoa NZ). [lyngallagher@gmail.com](mailto:lyngallagher@gmail.com)

**Bede Haughey** has a Graduate Diploma in Spiritual Direction (University of Divinity, Melbourne) and is a member of ACSD (Aotearoa NZ). He was an ordained priest for 14 years and has had a diverse range of urban and rural workplace experiences in latter years. He has special interests in spirituality for men and facilitating silent walks with nature. [kiwibede@gmail.com](mailto:kiwibede@gmail.com) Ph: 027-612-1058

**Trish O'Donnell** has been a Spiritual Director and member of ACSDNZ for over 15 years having trained through Spiritual Growth Ministries. She is a member of SGM's workgroup, a workshop facilitator and supervisor of trainees in this ecumenical formation programme. Alongside offering spiritual direction she enjoys creating retreats and contemplative prayer days. Ph 027-339-2261 [trish.willem@gmail.com](mailto:trish.willem@gmail.com)

**Father Brian Cummings SM** is the Director of the Marist Spirituality Centre (Pa Maria) in Wellington. He was previously Rector of St Bede's College, Rector of Marist Seminary (Auckland) and NZ Provincial of the Society of Mary. He completed the year-long Staff Internship Program in Loyola House, Guelph, Canada in 2002-2003 and the Ignatian Immersion Program in Manresa, Spain in 2014.

**Sister Christina Cathro** is a member of the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions. She has many years of experience in spiritual direction, retreat leadership and workshop presentations. Ph 021-0250-3064 [christina.cathro@gmail.com](mailto:christina.cathro@gmail.com)

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"The entire material universe  
speaks of God's love,  
his boundless affection for us.  
Soil, water, mountains:  
everything is, as it were, a caress of God."  
*Laudato Si', 84*

"From the heart of the Trinity,  
from the depths of the mystery God  
the great river of mercy  
wells up and overflows unceasingly."  
*MV25*