

**Christ the King and St. Lawrence 18th Annual Men's Retreat
at the Bethany Center in Lutz**

"To Jesus through Mary: Reflections for a Real Man"

Friday Feb 16th – Sunday Feb 18th 2018

Why attend a retreat? A retreat provides an opportunity to step aside from the work and worry of everyday living so we can reflect on our lives in the quiet presence of God. For those who have never attended a faith-based retreat, the thought may at first be a little intimidating. For those who have made a retreat, the thought is usually, "When can I go again?" Almost all men who participate in a faith retreat comment on the many blessings that flow from taking the time to re-evaluate priorities and relationships, especially our relationships with God and family members. One sad truth of our modern culture is that the demands placed on all of us become overwhelming, making it difficult to take time to simply reflect. More than ever, we all need to take the time to reflect on the condition of our spiritual and family life.



Who will lead the retreat? Fr. Dan Hennessey will lead the retreat. Fr. Hennessey is responsible for the Vocation Office in the Archdiocese of Boston. He grew up in St. Augustine Parish, Andover MA, attended Central Catholic High School in Lawrence MA, and earned a BA in Biology from Merrimack College. Prior to entering the seminary, he worked in the field of Biotech Genetics Research. Fr. Hennessey was ordained to the Priesthood by Bernard Cardinal Law in 2002. Fr. Hennessey has also served as Parochial Vicar at two parishes in South Boston.

What is the retreat format/schedule? Check in starts Friday at 4pm followed by dinner at 6pm, and a 7pm first conference. Throughout the weekend, we will have several presentations led by Fr. Hennessey. The schedule includes time for quiet reflection, prayer, Sacrament of Reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration. We will conclude around noon on Sunday with Mass.

Why attend this retreat? Recognizing that we all are at different stages in our faith journeys, our retreat is designed to for a diverse group of men so that all will benefit. The weekend is structured in a manner so that you may participate only to the extent you are comfortable. The goal is to provide a unique opportunity for men to grow in their faith and to enjoy fellowship with other Christian men.

Where will the retreat be held? At the Bethany Center, located in north Tampa (Lutz) off Van Dyke Road and the Veterans Expressway, 15 miles north of the airport. The Bethany Center supports the ministries of the Diocese of St. Petersburg, providing meeting spaces, overnight accommodations and catering with generous hospitality in a spiritual atmosphere.

What is the cost and what is included? The cost for the retreat covers the room and meals. Each room is "en suite". Double occupancy is \$190 per person. If you wish to request a particular roommate, please indicate their name on the registration form. Single rooms are also available for \$240. Weekend commuters are welcome for \$125. Payment in full is due upon registration. Full refund is offered up to February 7, 2018.

Questions? Contact Kevin Gaffney at 813-300-1353, or ksgaffney01@gmail.com.

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How do I register? Please complete the registration form below together with payment in full, by February 7, 2018. Registration is on a first-come-first-served basis and closes on February 7th. Cancellations must be received no later than February 7th in order for a full refund. Due to Bethany Center Policy, no refunds can be provided after this date.

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Space is limited. Send your registration as soon as possible - this helps us with our planning.

Circle one: SINGLE DOUBLE COMMUTER

Name: _____

Address: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Emergency contact and phone number: _____

Roommate requested: _____

Special Needs: _____

Retreat Cost: Double \$190 Single \$240 Commuter \$125

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Payment Options:

Check: Payable to *Christ the King Catholic Church* (memo: Men's Retreat) and mail to:
Christ the King
Attn: Men's Retreat
821 S. Dale Mabry
Tampa FL 33609

Pay online (eCheck or credit card): www.ck-tampa.org, click **Giving** tab, then **Offertory Online Giving**. Use your Online user info or select **Quick Give** prompts to login. Select **Give a New Gift** and then **Men's Retreat**. Mail completed registration form to church using address above or scan and email to ksgaffney01@gmail.com

Pay by cash in the CTK parish office: drop off registration form at that time.