



## ~ SPIRIT ~

Monthly notes and inspiration from Louisiana Spiritual Directors, Inc.

April 2018

Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!

Luke 24:5-6



The LASD Executive Board wishes all a happy and blessed Easter Season!



### STILL TIME TO REGISTER FOR 2018 LASD CONFERENCE!!!

As a reminder, our annual conference will be held at the beautiful Wesley Conference Center in Woodworth, Louisiana on April 20-22, 2018. This year's theme is "Utilizing Wisdom's Transformational Perspectives in Spiritual Direction" and our presenter will be Rev. Bill Redfield.

Bill recently retired as rector of Trinity Church, Fayetteville, NY, three years ago after nearly 20 years. Besides being an Episcopal priest for over 40 years, he is also a licensed clinical social worker and has worked in private practice in Central New York and Maine. He has had a lifelong interest in the intersection of spirituality and the inner life. He is the creative force behind the birth of Wisdom House, Fayetteville, NY. Bill is a student of and a collaborator with Cynthia Bourgeault, the author of many books on Wisdom Christianity and contemplative spirituality.

He is currently working to proliferate the concepts and practices of contemplative spirituality and Wisdom Christianity through workshops, retreats, and Wisdom schools.

There are many reasons to attend the conference. Besides gaining more knowledge from such a learned presenter, there is also the wonderful opportunity to network with peers in the community of spiritual directors so that we can all continue to grow as professionals. All are also welcome to bring any books or appropriate items for sale as well as promotional brochures and flyers for any programs which you would like to promote. A table will be provided for these items. You will be responsible for handling your own sales.

Register now for the conference at [this link](#). We look forward to seeing you there!



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### UPCOMING RETREATS AND WORKSHOPS



*The Little Way*  
A JOURNEY ALONG THERESE'S PATH  
OF CONFIDENCE AND LOVE

The depth and breadth of Therese's "Little Way" continues to have relevance for us today. It is a simple yet profound path to encountering Jesus. Join Robin Hebert and walk this journey, with Therese as your guide, and embrace her spirituality in a way that nourishes your own soul. This is a silent retreat.

APRIL 12-15, 2018  
ST. MARY OF THE PINES RETREAT CENTER IN CHATAWA, MS  
The retreat begins with supper at 5:30 on Thursday and ends with lunch on Sunday.  
Suggested Donation: \$240 (private room only)

Robin Hebert is a spiritual director, retreat leader, and the co-author of *When Women Pray and When Wisdom Speaks*. She serves Our Lady of Wisdom Church as marriage ministry coordinator and is a spiritual mentor to many. Robin is a past national president of Thereseans of the U.S. and has studied for years the writings and spirituality of St. Therese.

TO REGISTER  
FOR RESERVATIONS: CALL SISTER SUE VON BANK AT 801-783-0801  
OR E-MAIL: RETREATCENTERS@SNDCOP.ORG

#### The Spiritual Graces of Aging

St. Joseph Spirituality Center  
2980 Kleinert Avenue  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Director: Dana Territo

Saturday, April 21, 2018  
9:00 AM - Noon

The aging process guides one through a re-evaluation of one's life; and ultimately leads to understanding one's true spirit, the vital center or core of

our lives. This retreat explores the spiritual dimensions of aging, spiritual development, and spiritual self.

Fee: \$40.00

For more information and to register, click on [this link](#).



**Walk With Me: Spiritual Direction With the LGBTQ Community**  
Spiritual Directors International Conference  
St. Louis, Missouri

Presenter: Bradley A. Leger, Ph.D.

April 26-29, 2018

[This workshop](#) will explore the intersection between LGBTQ issues, spirituality, and interdependence within society and consider ways to create communities of culturally competent spiritual directors who are developing a sense of commitment and inclusivity towards LGBTQ people and their loved ones. This will be accomplished through covering relevant current issues; providing accurate, pertinent statistics and terminology; information on the aspects of human diversity; and providing appropriate tools for this ministry.

[Register now at this link.](#)



**Come Away with Me**  
Jesuit Spirituality Center  
313 E. Martin Luther King Drive  
Grand Coteau, Louisiana

Presenters: Jane Hebert and Yvonne Hymel

Friday, May 4 at 5:00 PM - Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 1:00 PM  
(Sunday Mass included)

A weekend away with the one you love renews your relationship. God invites you personally to such an encounter in the experiences of this retreat at the pastoral setting of this blessed place of peace.

Cost: \$200.00 before April 20; \$225.00 after April 20  
(limited financial aid available)

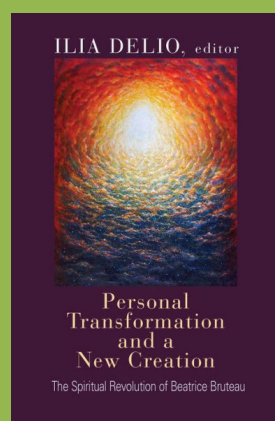
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**READER'S CORNER**

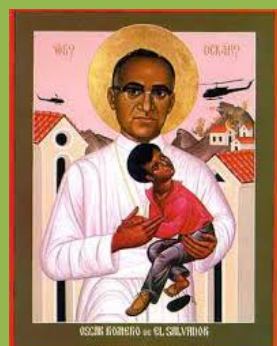
***Personal Transformation and a New Creation: The Spiritual Revolution of Beatrice Bruteau***  
Edited by Ilia Delio.  
Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2016.

Top scholars examine the theories of Pierre Teilhard de Chardin through the lens of Beatrice Bruteau's pioneering work on evolution and consciousness. Contributors include Cynthia Bourgeault, Ursula King, Barbara Fiand, Kerrie Hide, Gabrielle Stoner, Kathleen Duffy, John Shea, Carla De Sola, and Joshua Tysinger. [Read more . . .](#)



*"Peace is not the product of terror or fear.  
Peace is not the silence of cemeteries.  
Peace is not the silent result of violent repression.  
Peace is the generous, tranquil contribution of all to the good of all.  
Peace is dynamism.  
Peace is generosity.  
It is right and it is duty."*

Oscar A. Romero



**TAKE NOTE**

**SDI Webinar - Unique & Connected: New Approaches to Ignatian Spirituality**

RECORDINGS NOW AVAILABLE

Ignatian Spirituality is built on the idea of "Finding God in all things." This 4-part webinar series will examine how that deep wisdom and practice is emerging in new ways, including yoga, art, embodiment and women's empowerment. [Read more . . .](#)



**Keeping your membership current . . .**

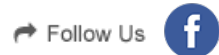
Let's not forget that our membership status is concurrent with the fiscal year which runs from July 1 - June 30. To access a membership form or to pay online, please click on [this link](#). If you have any questions, please contact [Elsa Mendoza](#).



Comments? Questions? Suggestions for future articles?  
Want information on membership?



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