

North American retreat in 2019

We are excited to announce that the Faith and Sharing North American Federation Committee are planning a Faith and Sharing North American retreat in 2019.

Purpose :

To bring together people from every Faith and Sharing community in North America to connect, share, pray together and live the key elements of a traditional 5 day Faith and Sharing retreat.

Dates :

Sunday **September 8th** starting with dinner - Friday **September 13th** ending with lunch.

Place :

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre in Pickering, Ontario (45 minutes drive from Toronto airport).

There will be simple single accommodations, some wheel chair accessible, 3 meals a day provided, a space for meeting, a chapel and lovely grounds for free time.

You can see more about the Centre at the following link:

<http://www.manresa-canada.ca/>

Cost : All amounts are in Canadian dollars

Regular: \$515 per person : registration (\$40) + accommodation and meals (\$95 x 5 for 5 days)

Commuters: \$315 per person : registration (\$40) + meals (\$55 x 5 for 5 days)

Travel expenses to the retreat centre will be extra and we know that for some this will be high.

We hope that finances will not be an impediment and plan to offer some financial support to communities who need it, so they can send at least one person.

Invitation:

We extend an invitation to all to consider coming. We want to welcome leaders, those who have attended Faith and Sharing retreats before, as well as new people who might feel a call to come and find out who we are. (Unfortunately there will not be a childrens' program or daycare provided).

We have not invited an animator yet, but translation will be provided to/from English/French.

Please pass this information on to your group members so people can begin discerning if they feel called to come, and if so can reserve the time and begin saving.

We will be meeting again in the new year to plan more of the details and will be in touch with you to provide a registration form in due time.

In the meantime, if any of you have suggestions for possible animators, please let us know.

We have not had a joint French-English retreat since 2013 and we are pleased to offer this opportunity.

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