



January

Is God Calling You to Religious Life?

My sacred journey with Sister Jessica Vitente, SP

Monday, Jan. 9, 7:30-8:45 p.m.

Single women ages 18-42 are invited to join us in this free virtual mini-retreat. Meet a young sister face-to-face, hear the story of her call to religious life and ask her any questions you might have. A great way to begin discerning if God might be calling you.

Taizé Ecumenical Prayer Service at the Woods

Tuesday, Jan. 10, 7-8 p.m.; Church of the Immaculate Conception

Taizé Prayer is a simple, meditative form of worship for all spiritual seekers who would like to dwell deeply in God's presence around and within us. Songs, prayerful silence and short readings guide the focus of our prayer in a candle-lit environment. The 2023 theme is "Paying attention." Join us monthly on the second Tuesday.

Cost: Freewill donation

Faith and the Arts

Saturday, Jan. 14, 9 a.m.-noon; Foley Room, PSCC

Join Dr. Arthur Feinsod, former Indiana State University professor, as he shares how faith can be solidified and amplified using works of visual arts, drama and poetry. The first half of each session will be a lecture on the material made available beforehand. An open discussion where all will delve deeper into the ideas that were touched upon in the first half will follow.

Presenter: Dr. Arthur Feinsod

Cost: \$25 per session. Includes materials and refreshments. Register by Jan. 12 for the Jan. session and March 30 for the April 1 session.

Future sessions: April 1, June 3

Mystics – A Journey of Discovery *

Sunday, Jan. 29, 1:30-3:30 p.m.; Foley Room, PSCC

Discover these mystics from different centuries and various faiths. Join us in person or via Zoom. There are two 2023 sessions in this continuing series:

- Jan. 29 – Herman Hesse – 1877-1962 – German-Swiss poet, novelist and painter
- March 19 – St. Bridget of Sweden – 1303-1373 – wife, mother, nun, mystic

Presenters: Sister Paula Damiano, SP, Sister Jan Craven, SP

Cost: \$25 per session. Includes materials and refreshments.

Register by Jan. 26 for the Jan. session.



February

What Does Religious Life Look Like in the 21st Century with Sister Arrianne Whittaker, SP

Monday, Feb. 6, 7:30-8:45 p.m.

Single women ages 18-42 are invited to join us in this free virtual mini-retreat. Sister Arrianne will share what religious life is like today.

Taizé Ecumenical Prayer Service at the Woods

Tuesday, Feb. 14, 7-8 p.m.

See Jan. for details.

Winter Used Book Sale

Friday, Feb. 17–Monday, Feb. 20, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.;
Foley Room, PSCC

Browse hundreds of gently-used books at our winter sale in the Foley Room across from Linden Leaf Gifts in Providence Spirituality & Conference Center. Items are not priced but donations are accepted.

Baking Sourdough Bread

Thursday, Feb. 23, 6-8 p.m.; Classroom, WVC

Learn sourdough bread-making basics, tips and tricks for creating and maintaining starters and ideas for how to incorporate sourdough into a variety of other baked goods.

Presenter: Candace Minster

Cost: \$45, includes instruction materials and a starter. Register by Feb. 17.

** If you are participating in person, consider joining us for Mass at 11 a.m. in the Church of the Immaculate Conception and enjoying Sunday Brunch. Go to [Brunch.SistersofProvidence.org](https://www.Brunch.SistersofProvidence.org) for details or to purchase tickets in advance.*

March



Taizé Ecumenical Prayer Service at the Woods Tuesday, March 14, 7-8 p.m.



See *Jan.* for details.

Mystics – A Journey of Discovery *



Sunday, March 19, 1:30-3:30 p.m.; Foley Room, PSCC

See *Jan.* for details. Register by March 16.

A Day in the Life of a Sister – Sacred moments in community and ministry with Sister Tracey Horan, SP



Tuesday, March 21, 7:30-8:45 p.m.

Single women ages 18-42 are invited to join us in this free virtual mini-retreat. Meet a young sister face-to-face. Sister Tracey will lead you through what a day looks like for her, with a deeper look at community living and ministry of a Sister of Providence today.

Alpaca Encounter



Saturday, March 25, 1-3 p.m.; Meet at the WVC Farm Store

Meet our (almost) famous alpaca herd and learn where they come from and why they are so beneficial to our USDA-certified organic farm. See and feel their fiber and go step by step through each process from shearing to finished goods. Participants get to make and take home a needle felted alpaca ornament.

Presenters: White Violet Center team

Cost: \$25 per person, includes ornament. Register by March 20.



Teen volunteer opportunities

Young people ages 12-18 are invited to spend time with Sisters of Providence to put a smile on their faces. Your volunteer time does make a difference! Sign up for our Saturday volunteer opportunities at TeenVolunteer.SistersofProvidence.org

Mission Immersion Experience

Are you a single, Catholic woman age 18-42? If you would like to know more about religious life, plan a visit to Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, at a time that works for you. Get to know the Sisters of Providence and our mission. Learn about our foundress Saint Mother Theodore Guerin and visit her shrine. Pray with us. Tour our White Violet Center for Eco-Justice ministry. Room and meals can be provided!

Contact Sister Joni Luna, SP, at 361-500-9505 or jluna@spsmw.org to arrange your visit.



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Log Cabin Chapel

Guided Tours

Visit the beautiful sacred and historic sites including the Shrine of Saint Mother Theodore Guerin, Church of the Immaculate Conception and the Saint Anne Shell Chapel. Many of the buildings you will see are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. See our working farm where we grow food and flowers and raise alpacas and chickens. All are welcome. Fees vary by tour. Reservations required. For more information go to Visit.SistersofProvidence.org or email tours@spsmw.org.

Self-Guided Tours

Pick up a printed guide at our welcome desk located in Providence Spirituality & Conference Center or at the White Violet Center Farm Store. Donations are always appreciated. For more information please call 812-535-3131 or email tours@spsmw.org.

Sunday Brunch at the Woods

Join us on Sundays in historic and spacious O'Shaughnessy Dining Hall for breakfast and lunch favorites, prepared by our catering partner, Bon Appétit. Food is cooked from scratch using fresh, authentic ingredients. Sunday Brunch is served most Sundays from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. For tickets and pricing go to Brunch.SistersofProvidence.org.

Private Retreats

Experience an atmosphere of peaceful quiet that allows you to enter into silence in order to respond more fully to God's movement within. During your retreat you'll stay in one of our hermitages overlooking St. Joseph's Lake. Accommodations are \$95 per night, plus tax. Or reserve a room with a private bathroom in Woodhaven Retreat and Guest House. Cost is \$75 (one guest per room). Meals are available for purchase or you can use the fully-equipped kitchens to cook for yourself. Spiritual direction can be arranged for an additional charge. You can also reserve Woodhaven or a hermitage for overnight stays. For details and availability please call 812-535-2946 or email provctr@spsmw.org.

Group Retreats

We are pleased to offer group retreats for up to nine people. Bring your own retreat facilitator or let someone on our staff lead your small group. Guests will stay at Woodhaven Retreat and Guest House. For more information please call 812-535-2946 or email provctr@spsmw.org.

Weddings and Special Events

If you're looking for a place to host an event, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods is the perfect setting. Accommodations range from our large conference center that holds up to 500 people to a variety of other meeting and event spaces. Food is available through our catering partner, Bon Appétit. For more information please call 812-535-2946 or email provctr@spsmw.org.

Pilgrimages

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods is a destination where your church family or group can grow spiritually on their journey of faith. Our team will work with you to create your own unique pilgrimage experience. To find out more call 812-535-2925 or email tours@spsmw.org.

Spiritual Direction

The Sisters of Providence have a number of certified Spiritual Directors who can help you deepen your relationship with the Divine or help you explore your personal spirituality. Your spiritual director will listen and ask questions to assist you in the process of reflection and spiritual growth. Suggested offering of \$45-\$65 per session. Sessions can be in person or held virtually. Call 812-535-2952 for more information.



O'Shaughnessy Hall