

# Glastonbury Abbey Institute

2017-2018



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# *About the Glastonbury Abbey Institute*

The Institute is an extension of the rich Benedictine monastic teaching tradition found at Glastonbury Abbey. As a spiritual resource for lifelong learning, we invite *all* people from diverse interfaith and cultural traditions to explore and deepen human ways of knowing and being.

The Institute is self-supporting. Donations in the suggested, or any amount, are deeply appreciated and will help us cover the cost of our programs. Most programs are held at the Morcone Conference Center, 20 Hull Street, Hingham, MA 02043.

If you would like to support the Institute, please make your tax-deductible donation payable to Glastonbury Abbey (a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization), and indicate in the memo line on your check, "Glastonbury Abbey Institute." Please call 781-749-2155, x343 with any questions.

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## *Abbey Information*

### *Masses and Worship Schedules*

The Eucharist is celebrated each day, and the Abbey is open to the public. In addition we pray the Liturgy of the Hours (chanting psalms, reading scriptures, offering prayers of intercession) four or five times each day. ALL ARE WELCOME to join us in these prayer times, regardless of religious background. Books are made available for all to follow along with the prayers of the Hours being sung.

Visitors are also welcome to walk our peaceful grounds - walk the labyrinth, enjoy the herb garden, and walk the Stations of the Cross.

#### **Monday through Saturday:**

**6:30 A.M. – Vigils (end of night prayer)**

**7:45 A.M. – Lauds (morning praise)**

**12:00 P.M. – Mass**

**5:15 P.M. – Vespers (evening prayer)**

**7:45 P.M. – Compline (night prayer)**

#### **Sundays:**

**6:30 A.M. – Vigils**

**7:45 A.M. – Lauds**

**9:30 A.M. – Mass**

**12:45 P.M. – Midday Prayer**

**5:15 P.M. – Vespers**

**7:45 P.M. – Compline**

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### *Glastonbury Abbey Gift Shop and Bookstore*

We have been operating on the grounds of Glastonbury Abbey for more than twenty years. In addition to stocking a large selection of religious titles, both new and traditional, we house a wide range of gifts for all sacramental occasions. To order books and gifts online, please visit [www.glastonburyabbey.org](http://www.glastonburyabbey.org) and click on 'Store.'

#### **Glastonbury Abbey Bookstore**

**16 Hull Street • Hingham, MA 02043 • 781-749-2155 x210**

Hours: Monday – Saturday: 9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Sunday: 11:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

## *Glastonbury Mass Guild/Spiritual Enrollments*

Since 1955, the Glastonbury Mass Guild has prayerfully and financially supported the monastery. Our Spiritual Enrollments are a beautiful way to share the gift of your love, faith and hope with anyone you know in need of prayer. When loved ones, living or deceased, are enrolled, they are included in the daily Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, and all the monks' prayers and good works.

- We offer: Annual Cards, Five-Year Booklets and Perpetual Enrollment Folders
- To order custom printed Annual and Perpetual Enrollments online: Please visit [www.glastonburyabbey.org](http://www.glastonburyabbey.org)
- All enrollments are also available in our Bookstore or by contacting the Mass Guild office @ 781-749-2155 x342 or e-mail: [massguild@glastonburyabbey.org](mailto:massguild@glastonburyabbey.org)



## *Oblates*

Oblates are Christian men and women from any walk of life who join with like-minded individuals to develop and grow spiritually in the context of a formal and on-going program of prayer, study, learning, reflection and sharing in the tradition of Benedictine monastic spirituality. Oblates become affiliated with the monastery and join with the monks in their prayer and spiritual life.

For more information on the Oblate Chapter at Glastonbury, there is a comprehensive description on the Abbey's website. The Glastonbury chapter meets on the first Tuesday of each month, beginning with Compline at 7:15 in the Abbey church, starting in August. Newcomers spend a year as Oblate Observers and meet in class with a monk to learn the foundations of Benedictine spirituality. New Observer classes begin each Fall.

# Retreats 2017 - 2018

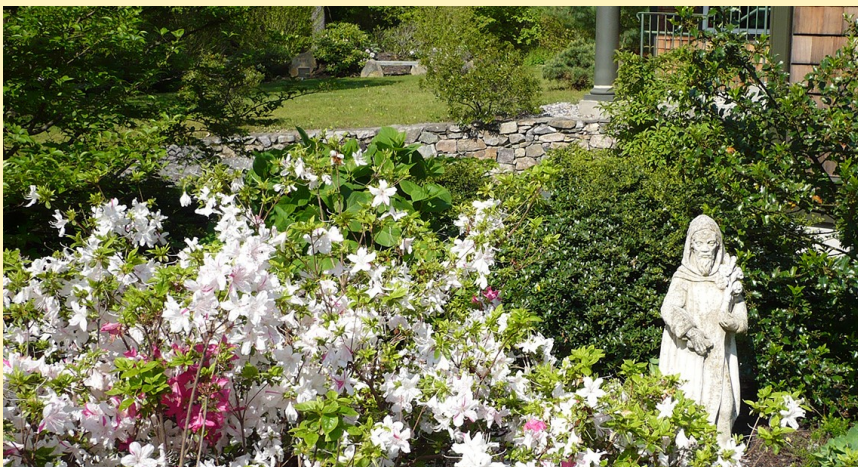
Glastonbury Abbey welcomes individuals and groups seeking a peaceful environment for respite and reflection. We also provide lodging and meals for programmed, guided and private retreats. Weekend programs are described below. A \$70.00 **non-refundable reservation deposit** is required.

Additional options and costs for reserving space are as follows:

- Stonecrest Guest House sleeps 23; minimum 15 persons; \$350.00 non-refundable deposit.
- Whiting House sleeps 8; minimum 4 persons; \$150.00 non-refundable deposit.
- Overnight Stays for individuals (space available basis) \$70.00 per night (\$80.00 for one night). We will accept less from individuals if arranged in advance, and any who can offer more will assist in supporting this ministry.

For further information and reservations, please contact: Retreat Secretary 781-749-2155 x300 or [retreats@glastonburyabbey.org](mailto:retreats@glastonburyabbey.org) or visit our website.

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**November 3 – 5, 2017: *“Listen Carefully ... With The Ear Of Your Heart”***

**Facilitators: Monastic Community**

**Suggested Offering: \$190.00**

St. Benedict's *Rule* teaches a simple balanced way of life that is centered in Christ through daily rhythms of listening to and responding to the Word of God in private prayer and communal praying of the Psalms. The Benedictine way of life can be adopted in some degree by anyone. Come make that first step on a new way of life.

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**November 17 – 19, 2017: *Ongoing Meditative Practice***

**Facilitators: Martin Mullins, M.Sc. and**

**Brother Daniel Walters, OSB**

**Suggested Offering: \$200.00**

An opportunity for further reflection and practice is offered to those who have participated in the “Daily Life as Spiritual Practice” retreats as well as those who wish to commit to daily meditative practice. Participants will engage with different kinds of meditative practice and, in dialogue with the spiritual traditions, will continue to explore the art of meditative self-presence.

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**December 8 – 10, 2017: *Advent: Groaning for our Redemption***

**Facilitators: Monastic Community**

**Suggested Offering: \$190.00**

“Creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God...The whole of creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation but we ourselves groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.” (Romans 8: 19, 22-23)

A weekend retreat to know our yearning, our longing, and our groaning for redemption.

**December 29, 2017 – January 1, 2018: *New Year Retreat: Wait in Silence***

**Facilitators: Monastic Community**

**Suggested Offering: \$190.00**

Begin the New Year with silence, prayer, reading and reflection. This silent retreat offers an opportunity to look into our hearts and wonder at how God can “make all things new.” Joining the Monks in prayer, one presentation, and the opportunity for celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation will help to focus the weekend.

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**February 2 – 4, 2018: *Healing the Divided Heart***

**Facilitators: Martin Mullins, M. Sc. and**

**Brother Daniel Walters, OSB**

**Suggested Offering: \$190.00**

Each of us experiences the desire to love God and others. We also experience our strong attachment to self-love, through which we hold ourselves in captivity and are seduced into choices we frequently regret. This presentation will explore a path to healing the divided heart.



**February 23 – 25, 2018: *Lent: A Time for Soul Saponification*\***  
**Facilitator: Fr. Thomas O'Connor, OSB, Abbot**  
**Suggested Offering: \$190.00**

The sacred season of Lent challenges us to see conversion in our lives as a daily process. Every day we have the opportunity to be converted, to be saponified, drawing us closer to Christ and to be molded by God's love and grace so that we can better and more fully understand our Christian responsibility to complete Jesus' work in our world. This Lent, allow God to saponify your soul and enter the daily conversion process—a process inviting you to enter the desert of your heart to remove the great temptations of the world, and seek, in their place, the things of God.

\*saponify - turn fat or oil "things of the world" into soap by reaction with an alkali "God's love" and be forgiven/cleansed in the process.

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**March 29 – April 1, 2018: *The Sacred Triduum***  
**Facilitators: Monastic Community**  
**Suggested Offering: \$220.00**

Join the monks of Glastonbury Abbey in celebrating the Liturgy of the Hours and the Sacred Liturgy of the Easter Triduum. Two presentations on the spirituality of the Triduum will provide insight for reflection and a deeper immersion into the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

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**April 13 – 15, 2018: *Monastic Experience Weekend***  
**Facilitators: Monastic Community**

A weekend for single Roman Catholic men who believe they may be called to monastic life.

During this weekend participants will join the monks for prayer, meals and conversation to experience how Benedictine monastic life is lived at Glastonbury Abbey.





**April 27 – 29, 2018: *Exploring Prayer***

**Facilitator: Rev. Deborah Roy, M.Div., STM, Obl. OSB**

**Suggested Offering: \$200.00**

“God speaks to us as God makes us”, wrote Rainer Maria Rilke, and many of us have found that some ways of “speaking with God” seem to suit us better than others. If you are longing for a more intimate relationship with God, spend this weekend exploring ancient and contemporary forms of prayer across traditions including Centering Prayer, Zazen, The Liturgy of the Hours, and others. Whether you are new to prayer or seeking to deepen your current prayer practice, this retreat will offer you a chance to discover creative and meaningful ways of communing with God.

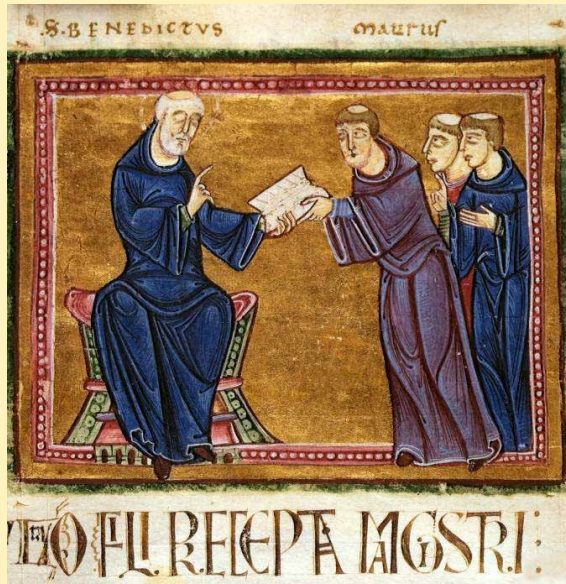
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**May 2 – 4, 2018: *A Retreat for Women: Listen...With the Ear of Your Heart***

**Facilitator: Louise DeSantis Deutsch, MS, Obl. OSB**

**Suggested Offering: \$200.00**

So begins the Prologue to the *Rule of St. Benedict*. In our day, the abundance of available information is at once challenging and overwhelming. As a woman of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, how do we discern to whom we listen, and who listens to us? Come away for a weekend of prayer, silence and exploration as we continue our journey Godward.



# Retreats for Clergy

January 8 – 10, 2018 and April 23 – 25, 2018

*Soul Restoration: Self-Care Retreats for Clergy of All Faiths*

Facilitator: Rev. Deborah Roy, M.Div., STM, Obl. OSB

Suggested Offering: \$200.00 (one retreat)

\$375.00 (both retreats)

“Come to me all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens and I will give you rest.”

Spend some time with the *Holy One* replenishing your spirit through contemplative prayer, silence and relaxation. These retreats are designed to offer clergy the opportunity for refreshment and renewal following the two busiest seasons of the church year. Let us enfold you with prayer as you explore the Abbey’s wooded trails, outdoor labyrinth, nearby beaches or secluded meditation spots. Whether you are longing to be still before God in worship or simply for the chance to curl up with a good book, allow yourself this gift of Sacred Time.



# Faith and Film Series 2017 - 2018

Facilitators: Katherine Becker MS and Susan (Bonnie) Delay MS

For the eighth year we will explore aspects of faith, spirituality, courage, love, evil, forgiveness, and redemption through the lens of film.

Movies begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. Discussion will follow the movie. Tea, coffee and snacks will be served. We invite you to come early with friends and bring a sandwich.

**All films will be shown on Thursday evenings in the Morcone Center. Glastonbury Abbey holds the appropriate movie site licensing to show all films. Donations are gratefully accepted.**

Katherine Becker was involved in public education for 38 years as an English teacher and as a high school guidance counselor.

Susan (Bonnie) Delay was a senior research analyst at Boston College's Institute for Scientific Research for 45 years. She has a BA in mathematics from Trinity College and an MS in business from Boston College.

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**September 14, 2017 - The First Grader 1 Hour 45 minutes PG13**

The Kenyan government introduces a free education system, which attracts an unlikely applicant. An old man who fought for his country's independence from British rule wants to learn how to read. A kindly teacher helps him gain admission, but faces opposition from parents and officials who see it as a waste of a school place. Fact-based drama, starring Oliver Litondo and Naomie Harris.

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**October 26, 2017 – The Innocents 1 hour 55 minutes PG13**

In 1945 Warsaw, a French Red Cross doctor (Lou de Laage) is called to a convent on an urgent matter. Once there, she not only helps a nun give birth, but discovers that several other women at the monastery are also pregnant. Soon, she is tasked with keeping the secret of what happened at the convent during World War II. Directed by Anne Fontaine, The Innocents made its world premiere at the 2016 Sundance Film Festival.

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**November 30, 2017 - Shadowland 2 Hours 11 minutes PG**

C.S. Lewis, the author of the "Chronicles of Narnia" books, known as Jack, teaches at Oxford during the 1950s. An American fan, Joy Gresham, arrives to meet him for tea in Oxford. It is the beginning of a love affair. Tragically, Joy becomes terminally ill and their lives become complicated.



**March 22, 2018 – On The Waterfront 1 Hour 48 minutes Not Rated**

On The Waterfront is the story of the men who had the courage to stand up to the corrupt longshoreman's union, which is controlled by Johnny (Lee J. Cobb). One of Johnny's top aides is Charley (Rod Steiger), whose brother Terry (Marlon Brando), a former prize-fighter, is treated almost like a mascot by Johnny -- he makes sure that Terry gets the best work assignments. After Terry unwittingly contributes to the death of a man named Joey, who dared to speak out about union corruption, Joey's sister Edie (Eva Marie Saint) goes to local priest Father Barry (Karl Malden) for help. Father Barry sets up a meeting to talk about what's going on, but everyone is too scared to speak up. Finally a man named Dugan (Pat Henning) agrees to talk, but tragedy strikes again. Meanwhile, Terry and Edie fall in love -- but Terry's troubles are just beginning.

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**April 12, 2018 - Trumbo 2 Hours 4 minutes R**

In 1947, Dalton Trumbo (Bryan Cranston) was Hollywood's top screenwriter until he and other artists were jailed and blacklisted for their political beliefs. TRUMBO (directed by Jay Roach) recounts how Dalton used words and wit to win two Academy Awards and expose the absurdity and injustice under the blacklist, which entangled everyone from gossip columnist Hedda Hopper (Helen Mirren) to John Wayne, Kirk Douglas and Otto Preminger.

# Spiritual Enrichment Programs

## Fall 2017 – Winter 2018

The Spiritual Enrichment Programs provide educational opportunities for people of all faiths and at different places in their lives to learn more about themselves, connect with others, and interact with the world around them. **Most programs will be held at the Morcone Conference Center on Tuesday evenings, except where noted, starting at 7:00 P.M. and ending at 8:30 P.M. No registration required, except where noted. Suggested Donation: \$20 per Session**

### *The Book of Revelation: A New Creation*

**Celia Sirois – September 5, 12, 19, 26 and October 3, 2017**

The Book of Revelation, also known as The Apocalypse, while piquing peoples' curiosity is seldom read, much less studied. This course will be an introduction to this esoteric literature.

Celia Sirois teaches Sacred Scripture in the Master of Arts in Ministry Program at St. John's Seminary, Brighton. She also directs the CHRISM (Christian Responsibility in Shared Ministry) program, an adult Scripture study program available to the parishes of the South Region of the Archdiocese of Boston.



## *The Reformation: Ancient History or Contemporary Reality*

**Fr. Nicholas Morcone, OSB**

**October 10, 17, 24 and November 7, 2017**

As we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, we will attempt to look at the Church of the middle ages, the causes and focus of the Protestant Reformation, the Catholic response and the long term effects of the religious, social economic and political upheaval.

Week I. The pre Reformation Church

Week II. Luther, Calvin and the Anabaptists

Week III. The Catholic Reformation

Week IV. The post-reformation world

Father Nicholas, OSB of Glastonbury Abbey has been a lifelong student of history since he majored in it in college. He has presented several programs on Church History here at the Abbey over the years.

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## *Adult Christianity: Beyond the Catechism*

**Fr. Timothy Joyce, OSB STL**

**Friday mornings - 10:00 to 11:30 A.M.**

**October 13, 20, 27 and November 3, 2017**

This four week course will discuss the nature of faith today as seen in:

- the historical development of our understanding of our Christian faith, especially since the II Vatican Council;
- the importance of the Bible and the early Church;
- how modern science, the ecological movement and world events have shaped our insights;
- the recovery of the mystical tradition of the church;
- how we might have a richer, more mature understanding of our Christian tradition.

Participants will be invited to grow as more reflective disciples of Christ.

Father Timothy is a monk of Glastonbury Abbey. He holds an advanced degree in systematic theology from the Gregorian University in Rome. He is a published author as well as preacher and retreat director.

## *The Neuroscience of Mindfulness*

**John Sheff**

**November 14, 2017**

This lecture will describe the “emotional brain,” how it functions, and specific mindfulness techniques useful for managing depression, anxiety and substance abuse. Neuroplasticity is your friend. Learn to activate it.

A clinical psychologist practicing on the South Shore, John Sheff uses both Western and Eastern medicine thinking in the treatment of anxiety and worry.

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## *Worry: Why Are You Wasting Your Time?*

**John Sheff**

**November 21, 2017**

The goal of this lecture is to help you to become an efficient worrier, not someone waiting for the other shoe to drop. This lecture will be your new software package. Once installed and practiced, you will have more time in your life for pleasure.

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## *Meeting Christ in Prayer*

**Joe O'Brien, MBA, Obl. OSB – January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 and February 6, 13, and 22, 2018**

Donation is \$40 for all (8) sessions, which includes the *Participant Guide* book. Pre-registration is required for this session so kindly call 781-749-2155 x300 to attend.

These sessions lead participants through a prayerful consideration of Jesus Christ and our incorporation into his life and mission. Based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, a compilation of prayers, meditations and contemplative practices developed to help people deepen their relationship with God. Participants are asked to commit to eight weeks of daily prayer, eight weekly sessions and faith sharing.

An oblate at Glastonbury Abbey, Joe leads a nonprofit health organization and is an educator, speaker, author and patient advocate.

# Adult Education

**Registration is required for all adult education courses.** Please call Joan at 781-749-2155 x300 to register for the classes listed below.

## *Scripture Classes*

### *Monastic Community*

## *A Covenant People*

This 11 week course is the study of the faith life of the people of Ancient Israel through the eyes of the Prophets Micah and Zechariah. It will cover the background, composition, content, theology and literary forms of their Books. It will include exegesis and application of various selections from their texts. The course will examine the archaeology and history of the Ancient Near East. No previous Scripture study is necessary. Please bring your personal bible.

Wednesday evenings, 7:30 to 9:00 P.M. September 20 – December 6, 2017 **or**  
Thursday mornings, 9:30 to 11:00 A.M. September 21 – December 7, 2017.  
Suggested Donation: \$125.00

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## *Calling on the Name of the Lord*

Do you desire to pray more effectively? What better way to learn how to pray than to study the great prayers of the Bible. This 11 week course will examine the background pertaining to the history, culture, politics and context surrounding various prayers from the OT and NT. There will be Questions for Reflection and ample time for Discussion with each prayer studied. No previous Scripture study is necessary. Please bring your personal bible.

Wednesday evenings, 7:30 to 9:00 P.M., January 10 – March 21, 2018 **or**  
Thursday mornings, 9:30 to 11:00 A.M., January 11 – March 22, 2018.  
Suggested Donation: \$125.00





## *The Artist's Way*

**Kay Trask, M.Ed.**

**Registration limited to 12. You may register by e-mailing Kay Trask at [kaytrask112@gmail.com](mailto:kaytrask112@gmail.com). Your registration will be confirmed by return e-mail.**

Tuesday mornings, 9:30 to 11:30 A.M. September 12 – December 12, 2017.  
Suggested donation: \$125.00

This 13-week program is based on the book, *The Artist's Way* by Julia Cameron. Learn how to discover or recover your own creative self by following a spiritual path to higher creativity that consists of readings and exercises from the book, writing daily "morning pages," and participating in weekly "artist dates." Participants must be willing to commit to 4-5 hours weekly to attend meetings and accomplish the tasks.

Participants must purchase the book, *The Artist's Way*, before the first meeting. Books are available at the Abbey Bookstore.

Kay Trask is a retired college administrator who continues to express her love of teaching by facilitating small group circles of learning, days of reflection and retreats.



# Listening to Other Voices 2017 - 2018

The Glastonbury Abbey lecture series was established in the Fall of 1999 to foster interfaith dialog under the overall theme of *"Listening to Other Voices."* Each year a different general topic is presented and speakers are engaged to address it from the perspective of their own faith tradition. The topic for the series year 2017-2018 is *Do Justice and Live in the Presence of God.* (Inspired by Psalm 15)  
Please join us to hear the below listed speakers.

**Lectures are held in the Morcone Conference Center at 7:15 P.M.**  
No registration required. Seating is on a first-come, first-seated basis. Parking is also limited. Therefore, we advise that you carpool where possible. Lectures are free. Donations gratefully accepted.

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## October 19, 2017: Rabbi William Hamilton — *Walking in God's Ways - Lessons from Abraham Joshua Heschel*

"When I marched in Selma, my feet were praying," wrote Rabbi Heschel (1907-1972). There is probably no better place to start an exploration of "doing justice" than with this great soul who put his philosophy into practice as a civil rights activist, anti-war demonstrator, and American Jewish representative at Vatican II calling for change to anti-Semitic language in the Catholic liturgy. Rabbi William Hamilton, leader of Congregation Kehillath Israel in Brookline, MA, will examine this year's theme through the lens of Heschel's life and discuss what the renowned theologian has to say to our current culture.

Rabbi Hamilton, a nationally-known lecturer and passionate advocate of Heschel's teachings, has been with Congregation Kehillath Israel, a Conservative synagogue, since 1995. He serves as Chaplain of the Massachusetts State Police and is a trustee for the Anti-Defamation League. He is the recipient of the Jewish Federation's (Combined Jewish Philanthropies) 2001 Rabbinic Leadership Award and also received a Safe Havens Vision Award for working to prevent domestic violence. This lecture is sponsored by Temple Beth Sholom, Hull, and Congregation Sha'aray Shalom, Hingham.

**November 16, 2017: Ani Zonneveld — *The Pursuit of Justice in Islam and Understanding How It Got Away***

“Muslims for Progressive Values” may sound like a contradiction in terms to anyone who defines Islam by daily news headlines. But Ani Zonneveld, founder and president of this faith-based grassroots movement, is working to change misperceptions and present the egalitarian heart of her religion. “How did the concepts of mercy and justice, the very essence of the Quran, become distorted and unfulfilled by many of its followers?” she asks. “What is the ethics of Sharia and the human rights language of Islam?”

Ms. Zonneveld, who a singer/song writer and author, will answer the questions in a program of talk and music. Born and raised in Malaysia, she is now based in Los Angeles and has seen her advocacy for peace, women’s equality, and gay rights become an international network of chapters taking root not only in her native country, but in the US, Canada, France, Germany, Australia, Bangladesh, Chile, the Netherlands, Burundi and Tunisia.



## January 18, 2018: Sr. Barbara Reid, OP — *Doing Justice and Gender Equality: Biblical Perspectives*

Women have been partners in the faith journey since Genesis and their influence can be found in the Bible's male-centric text if a seeker knows where to look. Sr. Barbara Reid, Professor of New Testament Studies, and Vice President and Academic Dean at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, has been such a seeker all her life. She will discuss how modern day gender equity movements have their roots in the women of Scripture who advocated for justice, and in the biblical images of a just and merciful God who appeared in both male and female form. Professor Reid will also talk about ways of interpreting Scripture that lead toward justice.

Sr. Barbara Reid is a Dominican Sister of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Sr. Barbara holds a Masters from Aquinas College in Religious Studies, and a Ph.D. in Biblical Studies from The Catholic University of America, in Washington, D.C. She is currently general editor of *The Wisdom Commentary*, that will be a 58-volume series of feminist interpretations of the books of the Bible, which Liturgical Press began publishing in 2015. She is the author of numerous books, including *Taking Up the Cross: New Testament Interpretations Through Latina and Feminist Eyes*, and *Women in the Gospel of Luke*.





**February 15, 2018: Rev. Mariama White-Hammond**  
*The Great Cloud of Witness - What Our Ancestors Teach Us*

Addressing the 2017 Boston Women's March, Rev. Mariama White-Hammond opened the historic proceedings by telling the crowd of 175,000 that she owed a great debt to her mother, (Rev. Gloria White-Hammond), her grandmother, and all the forebears she didn't even know. In that same spirit she will reflect on Hebrews 12:1: "Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us." She will talk about the Civil Rights Movement, the importance of ancestors in the Black spiritual tradition, and how connecting with history can be a source of strength for building a better future.

Rev. Mariama is an ordained minister in the African Methodist Episcopal Church and serves as Interim Youth Pastor and Minister for Ecological Justice at Bethel AME Church in Jamaica Plain. She majored in International Relations at Stanford University, studied abroad in Chile, and holds a Masters in Divinity from the Boston University School of Theology.

**March 15, 2018: Rev. Gregory J. Boyle SJ *Save the World...or Savor it? Being Reached by the Widow, Orphan, and Stranger***

Jesus took four things seriously, says Father Boyle: inclusion, non-violence, unconditional loving-kindness, and acceptance. As the founder of Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles, Father Boyle has spent 30 years working to put those tenets into practice by reaching out to men and women in prisons and street gangs. He will talk about that work and reflect on the original covenant between God and God's people. As pastor of Dolores Mission Church in East LA in the 1980s Father Boyle organized the parish and community to respond to escalating gang violence by forming "Jobs for a Future," offering training, day care, and work in an abandoned building that became Homeboy Bakery.

Father Boyle is the recipient of the 2017 University of Notre Dame Laetare Medal and is the author of the bestselling book, *Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion*. His latest book is *Barking to the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship* (November, 2017, Simon & Schuster).

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**April 19, 2018: Razia Jan**

***Doing Justice in the Afghan Classroom: Empowering Women and Girls***

She is called "the Mother of Deh'Subz." That's a district 30 miles northeast of Kabul and home to the Zabuli Education Center and the Razia Jan Institute. Both are a long way from Duxbury, MA, where Ms. Jan ran her tailoring and dry cleaning shop for 38 years. But the Afghan native always looked back, determined to improve educational opportunities for girls in her country, and raising the money here and abroad to do it. She also had many meetings with community elders in Afghanistan, gaining their trust and support. The education center, named for the late Afghan philanthropist, Abdul Madjid Zabuli, opened in 2008 and provides free courses, meals and uniforms to more than 600 disadvantaged Afghan girls in grades K-12. The institute, which opened in 2017, is offering advanced training in health/midwifery and office administration.

Ms. Jan, who has received numerous awards, including being voted one of CNN's Top Ten Heroes in 2012, is testimony to what one person with vision can do.

# Lenten Suppers and Discussions

## Spring 2018

A weekly simple supper of soup and bread, followed by a spiritual reflection given by noted scholars ,a variety of clergy and lay people. **All suppers and discussions are held on Tuesday evenings at the Morcone Conference Center and begin at 6:30 p.m. No reservations required. Donations gratefully accepted.**

Deepen your appreciation of Jesus' journeys by attending Glastonbury Abbey's Lenten Suppers this year. The Lenten season's weekly supper talks will focus on the gospels from Year A of the Lectionary which are proposed for every year as part of the program to educate new candidates for baptism, and renew all of us in our baptismal commitment. The biblical themes are based in God's presence in nature.

**February 20: *Matthew 4:1-11 – Jesus is Tested in the Wilderness: A call to go into the desert.***

Timothy Joyce, OSB

**February 27: *Matthew 17:1-9 – The Transfiguration: Come let us ascend the mountain of the Lord.***

Nicholas Morcone, OSB

**March 6: *John 4:5-42 – The Samaritan Woman: An offer of water that gives new life.***

Lyn Ferrara

**March 13: *John 9:1-41 – Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind: An invitation to come out of the darkness into the light.***

Monastic Community

**March 20: *John 11:1-45 – The Death of Lazarus: Take the stone away; come out and live.***

Ellie Devine

# The Easter Triduum 2018

Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil make up the Easter Triduum, a single celebration of the Paschal Mystery spread over three days, the center and high point of which is the Easter Vigil. The liturgies of the Easter Triduum — the evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday, the Good Friday Celebration of the Lord’s Passion and the Easter Vigil — “tell the story” that stands at the core of the Christian faith. They celebrate with grandeur the abiding significance of these sacred events in the lives of people today.

To help people understand and participate in these liturgies, the monastic community provides a series of lessons explaining the rites and meanings of each Triduum liturgy. These classes, held at the Morcone Center, and the liturgies occur as follows:

## **Mass of the Lord's Supper, Holy Thursday, March 29, 2018**

Liturgy 7:00 P.M.

## **Celebration of the Lord's Passion, Good Friday, March 30, 2018**

Reflection 9:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.

Liturgy 3:00 P.M.

## **Easter Vigil, Holy Saturday Evening, March 31, 2018**

Reflection 9:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.

Liturgy 8:00 P.M. to 10:30 P.M.

**Easter Day, Sunday, April 1, 2018 - 11:00 A.M.**

**March 29 - April 1, 2018: *Sacred Triduum Retreat* — Monastic Community.  
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# Days of Reflection 2017-2018

**Registration is required for any Day of Reflection.**

Please call 781-749-2155 x300 to register for these Days.

**Saturday, October 21, 2017: 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.**

***Morning of Healing: Family and Generational Issues***

**Joseph Coyle, PhD**

**Suggested Donation: \$30.00**

The difficulties that we experience can often span several generations in our families. These issues can be genetic, biological, psychological, and spiritual. The morning will focus on helping participants take inventory of these issues within their own families, on breaking patterns through psychological means, and on healing root causes through prayer. The program will include teaching, group prayer, reflection time, and Mass.

Joe Coyle – BS Psychology, Duke; MS Psychology Penn State;  
PSY.D Penn State

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**Tuesday, October 31, 2017: 5:15 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.**

***Praying For Our Ancestors: Celebrating the Real Halloween***

**Fr. Timothy Joyce, OSB and Mairead Doherty, Celtic Harpist**

**Suggested Donation: \$65.00, includes dinner - limited to eighteen (18) people.**

This evening reflection will draw on the Christian feast of All Saints ("All Hallows Eve") and the Celtic New Year ("Samhain") to remember those who have gone before us, especially our own ancestors. It begins with First Vespers of All Saints at 5:15 pm followed by a talk and supper at the Morcone Center. We return to Church for Compline and a Ritual of Remembrance. Participants are asked to bring photos of deceased family members, friends and heroes of their lives.

Father Timothy is recognized as an expert in Celtic studies. He has authored three books on Celtic Spirituality, conducted pilgrimages to Celtic lands, and has, in collaboration with Mairead Doherty, been giving workshops on Celtic themes for twenty-one years.

Mairead Doherty is a Celtic harpist and trained professional musician.

**Saturday, November 4, 2017: 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.**

***Finding the Grace in Gratitude***

**Kay Trask, M.Ed.**

**Suggested Donation: \$65.00, includes lunch.**

As the holiday season approaches, come for a day of prayerful reflection, discussion and soul searching exercises, to explore how we can celebrate these holidays with a true spirit of gratitude, and how we can bring that grace-filled spirit into our New Year.

Kay Trask is a retired college administrator who continues to express her love of teaching by facilitating small group circles of learning, days of reflection and retreats.

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**Saturday mornings, January 20, 2018 and February 3, 2018**

**9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.**

***Psalms and Canticles in Morning and Evening Prayer***

**Deacon Tim O'Donnell, S.T.L.**

**Suggested Donation: \$50.00**

This course combines a study of some Biblical prayers with an introduction, both historical and practical, to Morning and Evening Prayer, where these prayers form the core, in the *Liturgy of the Hours* and *Benedictine Daily Prayer: A Short Breviary*. We will identify the main types of Psalms (such as praise, thanksgiving, lament, and Zion) and situate them in the worship of ancient Israel and the tradition of Christian prayer. Then the two great canticles known as the Benedictus and the Magnificat will be studied as developments of the Psalms and as reflections on the incarnation in Luke 1. We will see how these texts have been woven into the structure of Morning and Evening Prayer, and how these texts can be used both as prayer and as a practice for regular reflection on Scripture. Texts will be provided, but bring a personal Bible and one of the above prayer books if you have one. No previous Scripture study or experience with this prayer practice is required.

Tim O'Donnell, an oblate of Glastonbury, is a Permanent Deacon at St. Peter Parish in Cambridge. He teaches in the Archdiocese of Boston's Diaconate Formation Program



**Sunday, March 4, 2018: 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.**

***In Honor of Saint Patrick: A Celtic Celebration of Prayer,  
Poetry And Music***

**Fr. Timothy Joyce, OSB and Mairead Doherty, Celtic Harpist**

**Suggested Donation: \$25.00**

The Celtic imagination is characterized as having a “third eye”. This is especially expressed in poetry, music, stories, art, myths and prayers. This annual program in honor of Saint Patrick will share some of the Celtic heritage with participants. Join us for a relaxing and uplifting afternoon.

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## 2017 - 2018 Special Events

### Meditation Under the Stars

#### Spiritual Director: Annabelle Wallace, PhD

A spiritual escape from hectic lifestyles. A time to offer peace, love and compassion during chaotic times. During the summer, we meet outdoors on the abbey grounds. We ask that you bring lawn chairs or meditation pillows/chairs. During inclement weather, meditation will be held in the church. In the winter months, we meet inside at the Morcone Center.

**Date and Time:** Monday evenings from 6:45 to 7:30 p.m. Compline is optional at 7:45. There is no fee for meditation; if you feel you would like to make a donation to the abbey, that would be appreciated.

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### Saturday October 7, 2017 10:30 A.M. Blessing of the Animals

Come to Glastonbury Abbey where animals great and small will be blessed - even teddy bears and velveteen ones! Gather at the arbor in front of the monastery church.

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### Thursday, November 2, 2017 - 7:00P.M. *The Gift is in the Giving: True Christmas stories that will thrill and inspire you*

Author Bill Arienti will talk about his book. Copies will be available for sale. This book chronicles five journeys that travel from tragedy to triumph, illustrating the power of the human spirit; actual, true life stories of people in dire situations, who were relieved by small acts of kindness. Each story documents a person or family in need of emotional or material help (and sometimes both!) encountered in Bill's line of duty as a fire fighter for the past 32 years. *The Gift is in the Giving* shows how by offering a minimum of compassion to others, the happiness you bring returns to you tenfold.

"I hope you enjoy reading *The Gift is in the Giving* as much as I enjoyed living it." - Bill Arienti

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### Saturday, November 11, 2017 - 9:00 A.M.- 4:00 P.M.

#### Morcone Center Glastonbury Abbey Arts and Crafts Fair

Begin your holiday shopping at the Morcone Conference Center.

Gifts Galore: pottery, jewelry, paintings, sculptures, photography, hand-knit items, baked goods, plus raffle items.

## *Special Events - continued*

### **Pilgrimage – April 7 – 18, 2018 England and Wales**

Join Father Timothy and a group of pilgrims to visit sites in southwest England: Bath, Glastonbury, Stonehenge, Salisbury as well as London; then on to Wales: Tintern Abbey, Cardiff, Swansea, Tenby, Caldey Island, Saint David's and Pembrokeshire Coastal National Park.

Request a full color flyer from Father Timothy for more information.

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## *Morcone Conference Center*

### **A Picturesque Venue for Weddings, Events, Meetings, and Socials**

In the ancient tradition of Benedictine hospitality, the Morcone Conference Center offers a comfortable, light-filled venue for celebrations, meetings, and retreats. The tranquil beauty of its natural setting on the grounds of Glastonbury Abbey in Hingham is a welcome respite from the city, yet it is only minutes away from Boston.

We look forward to the opportunity to work with you to plan your event. Please feel free to call for rental information or email us with your questions or comments. Catering is available.

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**Morcone Conference Center**

**20 Hull Street • Hingham, MA 02043**

### *Directions to Morcone Conference Center*

Take exit 14 from RT 3 and proceed in the direction of Hingham on RT 228 for 6 miles. After crossing RT 3A, you will come to a fork. Bear left and the Conference Center parking lot will be on your left.

# Chronological List of Offerings

2017

- September 5, 12, 19 and 26 and October 3: Celia Sirois *The Book of Revelation: A New Creation* [SEP]\*
- September 12 - December 12: Kay Trask *The Artist's Way* [Adult Ed]
- September 14: *The First Grader* [Faith & Film]
- September 20 - December 7: Monastic Community *A Covenant People* [Adult Ed]
- October 7: Glastonbury Abbey *Blessing of the Animals* [Special Event]
- October 10, 17, 24 and Nov. 7: Fr. Nicholas Morcone *The Reformation: Ancient History or Contemporary Reality* [SEP]
- October 13, 20, 27 and November 3: Fr. Timothy Joyce *Adult Christianity: Beyond the Catechism* [SEP]
- October 19: Rabbi William Hamilton *Walking in God's Ways - Lessons from Abraham Joshua Heschel* [Lecture Series]\*\*
- October 21: Joseph Coyle *Morning of Healing: Family and Generational Issues* [Day of Reflection]
- October 26: *The Innocents* [Faith & Film]
- October 31: Fr. Timothy Joyce *Celebrating the Real Halloween* [Day of Reflection]
- November 2: Bill Arienti *The Gift is in the Giving: True Christmas stories that will thrill and inspire you* [Special Event]
- November 3 - 5: Monastic Community "Listen Carefully ... With The Ear Of Your Heart" [Retreats]
- November 4: Kay Trask *Finding the Grace in Gratitude* [Day of Reflection]
- November 11: *Arts and Crafts Fair* [Special Event]
- November 14: John Sheff *The Neuroscience of Mindfulness* [SEP]
- November 16: Ani Zonneveld *The Pursuit of Justice in Islam and Understanding How It Got Away* [Lecture Series]
- November 17 - 19: Martin Mullin and Bro. Daniel Walters *Ongoing Meditative Practice* [Retreats]
- November 21: John Sheff *Worry: Why Are You Wasting Your Time?* [SEP]
- November 30: *Shadowland* [Faith & Film]
- December 8 - 10: Monastic Community *An Advent Weekend* [Retreats]
- December 29 - January 1: Monastic Community *New Year Retreat* [Retreats]

\*[SEP] – Spiritual Enrichment Program

\*\*[Lecture Series] = Listening To Other Voices

## 2018

- January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, and February 6, 13, and 22: Joe O'Brien *Meeting Christ in Prayer* [SEP]
- January 8 - 10: Rev. Deborah Roy *Soul Restoration: Self-Care Retreats for Clergy* [Retreats]
- January 10 - March 22: Monastic Community *Calling on the Name of the Lord* [Adult Ed]
- January 18: Sr. Barbara Reid, OP *Doing Justice and Gender Equality: Biblical Perspectives* [Lecture Series]
- January 20 and February 3: Deacon Tim O'Donnell *Psalms and Canticles in Morning and Evening Prayer* [Day of Reflection]
- February 2 - 4: Martin Mullins, M. Sc. And Brother Daniel Walters, OSB *Healing the Divided Heart* [Retreats]
- February 15: Rev. Mariama White-Hammond *The Great Cloud of Witness - What Our Ancestors Teach Us* [Lecture Series]
- February 20: Fr. Timothy *Jesus is Tested in the Wilderness* [Lenten Supper]
- February 23 - 25: Abbot Thomas *A Lenten Retreat* [Retreats]
- February 27: Fr. Nicholas *The Transfiguration* [Lenten Supper]
- March 4 (Sunday): Fr. Timothy Joyce and Mairead Doherty *In Honor of St. Patrick: A Celtic Celebration of Prayer, Poetry and Music* [Day of Reflection]
- March 6: Lyn Ferrara *The Samaritan Woman* [Lenten Supper]
- March 13: Monastic Community *Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind* [Lenten Supper]
- March 15: Rev. Gregory J. Boyle *Save the World...Or Savor it? Touched by the Widow, Orphan, and Stranger* [Lecture Series]
- March 20: Ellie Devine *The Death of Lazarus* [Lenten Supper]
- March 22: *On the Waterfront* [Faith & Film]
- March 30 and 31: Monastic Community *Easter Triduum Daily Meditations* [Triduum]
- March 29 - April 1: Monastic Community *The Sacred Triduum* [Retreats]
- April 12: *Trumbo* [Faith & Film]
- April 13 - 15: Monastic Community *Monastic Experience Weekend* [Retreats]
- April 19: Razia Jan *Doing Justice in the Afghan Classroom Empowering Women and Girls* [Lecture Series]
- April 23 - 25: Rev. Deborah Roy *Soul Restoration: Self-Care Retreats for Clergy* [Retreats]
- April 27 - 29: Rev. Deborah Roy *Exploring Prayer* [Retreats]
- May 2 - 4: Louise DeSantis Deutsch *A Retreat for Women* [Retreats]

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