

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.

Please Note:

This year there is a mix of virtual, in person, and hybrid (both virtual and in person) programs. All retreats are in person. For all other programs please refer to the specific event.

All programs will begin at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

The Institute relies on you! Donations of any amount are deeply appreciated and will help us cover the cost of our programs. Suggested donation is \$20 per person per session unless otherwise noted.

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Please remember to register online; if it is for a series on one topic you only need to register once. Registrations are accepted up to 2:00 pm the day of the event. The website is: www.glastonburyabbey.org, then click "Programs."

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Spiritual Enrichment Programs

Catholic Fundamentalism in America

Virtual

Mark Massa, SJ – Tuesday, September 16, 2025 The term "fundamentalism" has its roots in specific forms of American Protestantism that arose around the turn of the twentieth century in reaction to liberalizing and modernizing trends within the church. Mark Massa argues that an analogously reactive, militant, and sectarian "fundamentalist" movement emerged within



American Catholicism in the decades after World War II, for a similarly complex mix of theological and cultural reasons. Massa will speak to the first account of the Catholic form of the anti-modernist impulse.

Fr. Mark Massa is on the Boston College Theology Staff and is the Director of Boisi Center for Religion and American Public Life. He studied at the University of Chicago and Harvard. His interests are focused on the Catholic experience in the United States since World War II.

Where Have You Gone Joe DiMaggio: Finding Hope in Dark Times In Person

Charles F. Mundhenk, PhD - Tuesday, September 23, 2025

Dr. Mundhenk will look at three different periods of challenges in America's recent past (1940s, late 1960s and early 1970s and the present era). How we, and society, process loss and how we emerge from the grief process is essential to regaining hope in our lives. Finally we will look at how to be resilient and find hope through faith, family and friends.

Charles F. Mundhenk, PhD, has been a psychologist in private practice since 1981. He was President of MarVista Psychological Associates, P.C. until it closed in 2023.

Wednesdays with Regina Boisclair – A Study of the Bible In Person

Regina Boisclair, PhD – Wednesdays, 10:30 – 11:50 Suggested donation is \$50 for each series

Topics: September 3, 10, 17, 24: Acts of the Apostles

November 5, 12, 18: I Thessalonians January 7, 14, 21, 28: Galatians March 4, 11, 18, 25: Paul's Corinthian Correspondence

Dr. Boisclair holds degrees in biblical studies, theology and religion from Providence College, Yale Divinity School, the Ecole Biblique in Jerusalem and Temple University. She taught at Merrimack College, Temple University, University of San Diego and Alaska Pacific University.



The Cloister's Apocalypse: A 14th Century Illuminated Book of Revelation Virtual

Regina Boisclair, PhD - Tuesday, October 21 and 28, 2025

The Book of Revelation speaks of **A** world. The author conveyed to his original readers that the Roman Empire would fall and Christian martyrdom would cease. While all of history has many of the same issues (war, famine, persecution, etc), the Book of Revelation is misunderstood when it is read as historical prophesy of the end of **THE** world. These sessions feature the charming illuminations of the Book of Revelation from a medieval manuscript. It begins with a summary of the nature of apocalyptic literature and an overview of the text. All who register will receive an outline of the text of Revelation.

Commonweal Conversations

Virtual

Moderator: Maggie Olson

Beginning in October – dates to be determined

Commonweal Conversations is a program promoting thoughtful, expansive, intelligent dialogue on issues that matter – whether political, theological, cultural, or artistic. We encourage all participants to offer their opinions respectfully while also generously considering opinions that do not match their own. Please register for each date separately and you will receive articles to read when you register.

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Faith Seeks Understanding

Virtual

Father Timothy Joyce, OSB Dates to be determined

Conversations about faith and belief led by Father Tim as open discussions. All are welcome: Catholics, former Catholics, non-Catholics, Nones, or just the curious. Only goodwill and openness to share and listen are needed. Please register for each date separately and you will receive articles to read before each meeting.



Father Timothy has been a monk of Glastonbury Abbey since 1976. He holds an advanced degree in systematic theology from the Gregorian University in Rome. He is a licensed theologian, lecturer, spiritual director, and writer – including a bi-weekly blog, "Monastic Scribe."

Traditionalism in the Catholic Church

Virtual

Dr. Massimo Faggioli – Tuesday, November 4, 2025
In US Catholicism there has been, in the last decade, a return of traditionalism in interpreting Church teaching and the role of the liturgy in our communities. The lecture will give some insights on the particularities of Catholic traditionalism in the US Catholic Church and its commonalities with other Catholic Churches in the Anglo-American sphere.



Dr. Faggioli is an author and professor in ecclesiology at the Loyola Institute at Trinity College Dublin, Ireland. Between 2016 and 2025 he was professor in Theology and Religious Studies at Villanova University. He is on the steering committee for the project "Vatican II: Event and Mandate" and has been active in the ongoing Synodality process begun by Pope Francis. He is contributing writer for *Commonweal* magazine and the Italian magazine *II Regno*. Two of the books that Dr. Faggioli has authored are: *The Liminal Papacy of Pope Francis* and *Joe Biden and Catholicism in the US*.

Origins of the Papacy

Hybrid

Fr. Nicholas Morcone, OSB Dates to be determined

Father Nicholas, a life-long student of history, has been at Glastonbury Abbey since 1963. He was Abbot from 1986-2008. He is now Master of Liturgical Ceremonies, leads retreats, and gives spiritual direction.



Virtual

The Paschal Mystery: Spirituality for Today

Monsignor Liam Bergin – Tuesday, February 17, 2026

A discussion on the centrality of the Paschal Mystery and implications for contemporary spirituality.

Monsignor Liam Bergin is from Ireland. His formation towards priesthood began at the Pontifical Irish College, Rome. He continued his education at the Gregorian University in Rome receiving his baccalaureate, licentiate, and doctorate. After being a visiting professor at Boston College in 2011, he was appointed



Professor of the Practice in 2014. He is priest in residence at St. Brigid and Gate of Heaven parishes in South Boston.

Lenten Suppers – The Old Testament

In Person

Tuesdays: Feb 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24.

Easter Triduum Talks

In Person

Fr. Nicholas Morcone, OSB – April 2, 3, 4
Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter
Vigil make up the Easter Triduum. The three
liturgies tell the story that stands at the core of
the Christian faith. They celebrate the abiding
significance of these sacred events in the lives
of people today. This series of reflections will
help people understand and participate in these
liturgies. (Tridium retreat also available - see
page 10).



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Israel-Palestine and Catholic Social Teaching

Virtual

Dr. Jordan Denari Duffner – Tuesday, April 28, 2026

Dr. Duffner will explore how the principles of Catholic Social Teaching can help us look at the situation in Israel-Palestine through the lens of our faith. She will help us work toward a future in the Holy Land marked by justice and peace for all.



Jordan Denari Duffner is a theologian, author, and educator whose work centers on Muslim-Christian relations, interreligious dialogue, and Islamophobia. She holds a M.A. and PhD in Theological and Religious Studies from Georgetown University, where she also completed her bachelor's degree in International Affairs. She was also a Fulbright scholar in Amman, Jordan.

Two of Dr. Duffner books are Finding Jesus among Muslims: How Loving Islam Makes Me a Better Catholic and Islamophobia: What Christians Should Know (and Do) about Anti-Muslim Discrimination.

Days of Reflection, facilitated by The Oblate Community of Glastonbury Abbey

Days of Reflection

December 6, 2025: An Advent Day of Reflection

As the holy season begins, the Oblates of Glastonbury Abbey invite you to share an "Advent Day of Reflection," experiencing the monastic prayer tradition of *Lectio Divina* (sacred reading). Come, join, share with Oblates (living "outside the walls") this daily practice; immerse yourself in this Benedictine prayer that enhances us in knowledge and deeper communion with God.

February 21, 2026: Lenten Day of Reflection

The Lenten season can be a time for self-offering – not self-denying – to deepen our personal relationship with God. The Oblates of Glastonbury Abbey (living "outside the walls") invite you as we deepen our knowledge of *The Rule of St. Benedict: Chapter 49 – The Observance of Lent*, incorporating this time of re-evaluation and renewing of our daily lives. Please join us to reflect on ways of bringing back God's presence into alignment with God's grace during Lent and in all our days.

Adult Education Programs

The Artist's Way

In Person

Kay Trask, M.Ed – Tuesdays, March 3 – May 19, 2026 9:30 – 11:30 Suggested Donation: \$195

We are all creative! Develop and unleash your creativity by joining a small group of your peers for a 12 week program exploring your creativity based on the classic bestseller, *The Artist's Way, a Spiritual Path to Higher Creativity* by Julia Cameron. The process will challenge you to look closely at yourself in order to explore your relationship with your own creativity. In addition to the weekly meetings, the program requires four hours per week to accomplish the required activities. The book, *The Artist's Way,* is required and will be available at the Abbey bookstore or on Amazon.

Kay Trask has been involved with this program at the Abbey for several years. Kay is retired educator who spent most of her career of 40+ years in higher education helping college students strengthen their academic skills.

Retreats

All retreats are in person only. Meals and accomodations are included for overnight retreats

A Weekend Retreat for Educators September 12 – 14, 2025

Facilitator: John Hopkins, Oblate OSB

Suggested Donation: \$250

Teachers need to talk to each other, share with each other, listen to each other, and support each other. During the weekend John will share how his Benedictine spirituality has shaped him as an educator; maintaining a healthful balance of mind, body, and spirit throughout the school year.

A Day Retreat: All Shall be Well; The Life and Spirit of Julian of Norwich October 22, 2025, 9:30AM to 3:30PM

Presenter: Sister Maureen Casey Suggested Donation: \$70

Come and be inspired by Julian of Norwich, a 14th century mystic, theologian and visionary who had an incredible trust in the goodness and providence of God. She is a prophetess for our 21st century as we continue to discern God's dream for our world today and trust

anew that ALL SHALL BE WELL!

An Advent Weekend Retreat December 5 – 7, 2025 Check our website for details

Resting in God: A Prayer and Meditation Retreat January 30 – February 1, 2026

Facilitators: Jean McDonald, Oblate OSB and

Karen Casale, Oblate OSB Suggested Donation: \$250

This retreat will offer the opportunity to set aside the busyness amidst a noisy world and return to stillness, listening, prayer, and meditation. The retreat will honor and encourage wherever you are on your faith journey. May you choose to BE more than DO in this time of renewal before we step back out into the world again.

Zentangle March 20 – 22, 2026

Facilitator: Karen Keefe

Donation: \$300

Zentangle is an easy-to-learn method of creating beautiful images from repetitive patterns. Zentangle provides artistic satisfaction, an increased sense of personal well-being and calm centeredness. Participants will have 6 instructed sessions that progress from introduction to completed artwork. All supplies included.

Sacred Triduum Retreat April 2 – 5, 2026

Facilitators: Monastic Community Suggested Donation: \$330

Holy Thursday through Easter Sunday Mass. Join the monks in celebrating the Liturgy of the Hours and the Sacred Liturgy of the Easter Triduum. There will be a presentation on each day of the Triduum by Fr. Nicholas Morcone, OSB. This three-night retreat is silent with plenty of time for personal reflection.

Weekend Retreat: Mary in the Scriptures May 8 – 10, 2026

Facilitator: Barbara Sullivan Suggested Donation: \$250

A closer look at the Blessed Mother. All are invited to spend some time with Mary in the scriptures. Participants will use their own bibles to look at Mary: to see her different roles and have a better understanding of why she is so important in our personal faith, and why she is a beacon for the Church.

Mindfulness and Spiritual Renewal June 5 – 7, 2026

Check our website for details.

Patrick Roll Caregivers Retreat September 25 – 27, 2026

Free of charge for all caregivers of loved ones

This retreat is a place and opportunity for rest, relaxation, and rejuvenation in a setting with people who understand the privilege and challenges of caring for others. If you are caring for a family member, friend, or loved one, this gathering is an opportunity to take some important time for yourself to recharge and connect with others who are on a similar journey. Opportunities for meditation, gentle yoga, massage, self-care, supportive conversations, and simple quiet time will be part of the weekend. Come for a day, an overnight, or an entire weekend.

Listening to Other Voices Series 2025-2026

This lecture series has been offered for over twenty-five years. The monks, as part of their ongoing commitment to interreligious dialogue, offer this yearly series in which speakers from various faith traditions offer their perspectives on a given theme. This year the theme is *Living the Heart of Your Faith*. Please join us as we hear from six different faith leaders. All lectures are held at the Morcone Center at 7:15 pm, and are hybrid. Lectures are free; however, registration at www.glastonburyabbey.org is required and donations are always welcome.

October 16, 2025 - Rabbi Shai Held

Judaism is About Love

Rabbi Shai Held, one of the most influential Jewish thinkers and leaders in America, is President and Dean of the Hadar Institute in New York City. He has authored a number of books, including *Abraham Joshua Heschel: The Call of Transcendence* and his newest book, *Judaism is About Love. This event is co-sponsored by Congregation Sha'aray Shalom in Hingham.*

November 20, 2025 - Kaitlin B. Curtice

Practicing Presence in Chaotic Times

As an enrolled citizen of the Potawatomi nation, Kaitlin Curtice writes on the intersections of spirituality and identity. In 2020 Kaitlin's award-winning book *Native: Identity, Belonging and Rediscovering God* won Georgia Author of the Year in the religion category. She has also published a number of children's titles, and has written online for Sojourners, Religion News Service, and On Being.

January 15, 2026 - Rev. Dr. William F. Schulz

Despite Cruelty: Sustaining Hope in a World That Breaks Our Hearts

The Rev. Dr. William F. Schulz served as Executive Director of Amnesty International USA, the human rights organization, from 1994-2006, having been President of the Unitarian Universalist Association for eight years prior to his Amnesty service. The New York Review of Books has said that "William Schulz...has done more than anyone in the American human rights movement to make human rights issues known in the United States." Dr. Schulz has taught at New York University, the University of Chicago and Meadville Lombard Theological School; been President of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee; and recently retired as a senior fellow at the Center for Human Rights at Harvard's Kennedy School.

February 19, 2026 - Dr. Thomas H. Groome, Ed.D.

The Compassion of Jesus

Thomas H. Groome is an author and a professor in theology and religious education at Boston College. He is recognized as one of the leading religious educators of our time and has lectured widely throughout the world. His areas of expertise include Religious Education, Young Adult Ministry and Practical Theology. Professor Groome's publications include his most recent book *What Makes Education Catholic: Its Spirituality*.

March 19, 2026 – Olivia Ames Hoblitzelle

Awakening to Wisdom and Love Along the Buddhist Path

Olivia Ames Hoblitzelle, a pioneer in Mind/Body medicine, is a writer and dharma teacher whose work has been inspired by over fifty years of practice in Buddhist meditation, psychology and the wisdom traditions. She's the author of an award-winning best-seller on Alzheimer's, a book on conscious aging titled *Aging with Wisdom*, and most recently a memoir *Ley Lines of Love: Adventures Along the Spiritual Path*.

April 16, 2026 - Haroon Moghul

What Will We Teach Our Kids When We Know Everything?

Haroon Moghul is founder and President of Queen City Diwan, a travel company that designs and leads global tours and international youth leadership programs. In 2023 and 2024, EqualityX named him one of the fifty most influential Muslims in the Americas. An awardwinning journalist and opinion columnist, Haroon is the author of *How to be a Muslim: An American Story* and *Two Billion Caliphs: A Vision of a Muslim Future*.

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Abbey Information

Masses and Worship Schedules:

The Eucharist is celebrated each day and the monks pray the Liturgy of the Hours (chanting, psalms, reading scriptures) several times each day. ALL ARE WELCOME to join in these prayer times, regardless of religious background.

Sunday Mass is at 9:30 Daily Mass is at 12:00

Liturgy of the Hours

Vigils (end of night prayer)	6:30 AM
Lauds (morning prayer)	7:45 AM
Vespers (evening prayer)	5:15 PM
Compline (night prayer)	7:45 PM

Compline is at 7:15 PM on the first Tuesday of the month.

Compline on the last Monday of the month includes a Holy Hour to pray for Vocations

Glastonbury Abbey Gift Shop and Bookstore:

The bookstore offers a selection of religious titles, both new and traditional, and a wide range of gifts for all sacramental occasions.

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

Hours:	Sunday	10:45 AM – 12:30 PM
	Monday – Friday	9:30 AM - 4:00 PM*
	Saturday	9:30 AM - 3:00 PM*

^{*} The bookstore is closed 11:45 - 12:45 for Mass.

Glastonbury Mass Guild/Spiritual Enrollments

The Glastonbury Mass Guild has prayerfully and financially supported the monastery since 1955. 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 monk's prayers and good works.

- To order custom printed Annual and Perpetual Enrollments online visit our website: www.glastonburyabbey.org
- All enrollments are also available in the Bookstore or by contacting the Mass Guild office – 781-749-2155 x342 or email massguild@glastonburyabbey.org

Oblates of Glastonbury Abbey

Oblates are men and women from many Christian denominations who seek to deepen their spiritual journey through a process of prayer, study and reflection in community with like-minded individuals. They are lay people, religious, married and single who have chosen to follow the time-honored Benedictine method of spirituality as set forth by St. Benedict 1,500 years ago and modeled throughout the world by numerous religious orders. An Oblate learns to incorporate his or her prayer life with work, family and community. Oblates become associated with Glastonbury Abbey, but continue to worship in and strengthen their own churches and parishes.

Glastonbury Oblates meet on the first Tuesday of each month beginning with Compline in the Abbey Church at 7:15 PM. For more information, please go to our website:

www.glastonburyabbey.org/index.php/abbey/oblates or email oblates@glastonburyabbey.org.

Morcone Conference Center

A picturesque venue for weddings, events, meetings, and socials of every kind!

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. Call for rental information or email us with your questions or comments.

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