

St. Monica Catholic Church ACTS Retreat Registration

MUST BE 21 YRS +. PRIORITY RESERVATION WILL BE GRANTED TO PARISHIONERS OF ST. MONICA CC. REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.STMONICACHURCH.ORG

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

CHECK ONE: Men's Retreat Women's Retreat

Retreatant Name (First, Last)

Email

Address

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Work Phone

Parish or Church

Birthday (month/day)

Please list special needs (allergies, special diet, medical, mobility, etc.)

Primary Emergency Contact

Relationship

Email

Address:

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Work Phone

Backup Emergency Contact

Relationship

Email

Address:

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Work Phone

Send completed registration form with your \$195 retreat fee or \$90 registration deposit to:

Suzanne Alexander c/o St. Monica Church, 9933 Midway Road, Dallas TX 75220

Make checks payable to: St. Monica Catholic Church ACTS

Amount PAID _____

You will receive a letter prior to the retreat describing the necessities you will need for the retreat.

For further information contact:

Lisa Bell, Women's Retreat Director
(214) 695-9266 stmonicaacts@gmail.com

ST. MONICA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Women's ACTS Retreat

January 14-17, 2016

Catholic Conference & Formation Center

Dallas, Texas



*"But as for me,
I will look to the Lord,
I will wait for God my Savior"
- Micah 7:7*

You are invited to join us for an extraordinary weekend!

An ACTS retreat is a three-day, three-night retreat presented by Catholic laypeople.

An ACTS retreat allows an opportunity for each person to focus on his or her faith and its application in daily life, to build purpose in one's prayer life, to increase their presence at the liturgy, and to cultivate friendships among members of the Church community.

Retreat

The retreat will begin **Thursday evening at 5:30 P.M.**, with check-in at St. Monica Catholic Church in the Family Center. You are encouraged to bring family members or friends to see you off. Transportation will be provided to and from the Catholic Conference & Forma on Center.

Spiritual direction will be provided throughout the retreat.

The weekend concludes on **Sunday at the 12:30 P.M. liturgy** at St. Monica Catholic Church. Immediately following the Mass, retreatants will share refreshments and fellowship in the parish center with their families and other members of the parish community.

Cost

The cost for each retreatant is \$195. This covers all meals and lodging. A registration deposit of \$90 must be submitted with this form to reserve your place. The remaining balance of \$105 is due on Thursday at check-in. **Please do not let the cost of the retreat keep you from participating.** If you are in need of financial assistance or have questions, please contact **Lisa Bell for the Women's Retreat at (214) 695-9266.**

Please note that all denominations are welcome.

Purpose

ACTS stands for Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service. The purpose of an ACTS weekend is to provide an opportunity for retreatants to develop a deeper relationship with the Lord and fellow parishioners through Adoration and daily prayer; through Community in one's parish as a member of the Body of Christ; through Theology or the teachings of our Catholic faith by encouraging more study, and to instill a virtue of Service to our Lord, our parish, and each other.

Message

ACTS is inspired by the ACTS of the Apostles 2:42-47:

They devoted themselves to the teachings of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to prayers. Awe came upon everyone and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. They ate their meals in exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. And, every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Goal

An ACTS retreat strives to achieve the directives of Vatican II and the goals of the Revised Code of Canon Law of 1983 to place more emphasis on "Community and Pastoral Care" within a parish. The participants experience God's love and joy throughout the weekend and return to their parishes with a deeper love for each other and a desire to become more involved in the parish faith community.