

EVERYONE IS WELCOME AT GALILEE CENTRE

Galilee is situated next to an old growth forest overlooking the Ottawa River, surrounded by tall pines, oaks and other deciduous trees with 35 acres of natural property. The retreat and renewal centre is a spiritual oasis away from our busy lives.

Sponsored by OMI Lacombe, rooted in Christian tradition and welcoming to people of various faiths, the Centre's mission is to create a community and provide an environment, programs and services that nurture people's personal and spiritual growth enabling them to contribute to a healthier world.

Hosting – In addition to Galilee's programming the Centre hosts religious, business and social groups as well as individuals with trademark hospitality. Please see the calendar on our website for hosted events

<https://www.galileecentre.com/calendar/>

The Centre can accommodate up to 50 guests for meals and up to 44 guests overnight. There are three main conference rooms, breakout space, photocopying, fax, presentation equipment and Wi-Fi in public spaces.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION AT GALILEE

Spiritual Direction is the contemplative practice of helping another to awaken, to listen and to respond in freedom to the mystery called God in all of life. (*James Keegan S.J.*)

Galilee is pleased to offer referrals to trained and experienced Spiritual Directors for those who want:

- To integrate spirituality in their daily life;
- To discern and make difficult choices;
- To explore new ways to pray or if prayer has become difficult;
- To seek a deeper relationship with God, self and others;
- To learn more about contemplation and meditation.

Galilee Centre is pleased to announce that Martha's Annex is now available to host individuals who wish to spend **Sabbath time**. You are welcome to spend a time of rest and renewal our well-appointed 2 bedroom cottage suite, to walk in the 52 acres of natural beauty and explore the historic town of Arnprior.

***Stay tuned to our website
www.galileecentre.com for new
events/programs throughout the year***

EVENTS

SPECIAL LUNCHEONS hosted by Galilee in our historic dining room & screened in patio.-CD\$19.50 per person. Check our website for dates and times. *Reservations necessary*

GALILEE GALA Wednesday May 20

You are invited to mark your calendar for what will surely be a spring evening of celebration and community. A fundraising event is being planned to support our heritage centre- a welcoming holistic spiritual life oasis. *Check our website for details.*



***RETREATS, WORKSHOPS, EVENTS
At A Glance
2020***

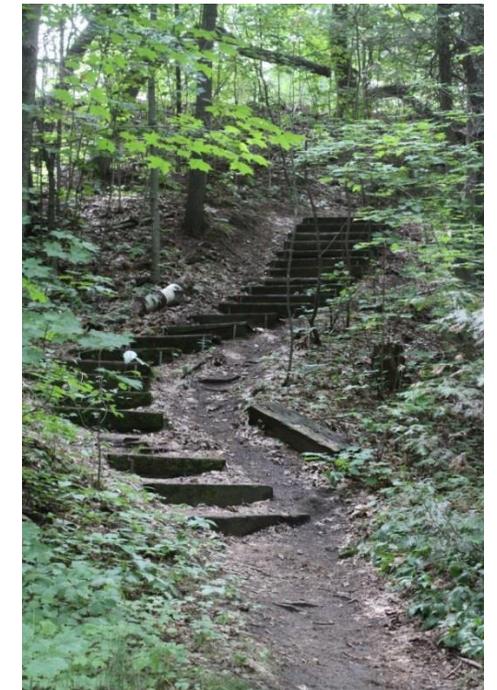


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SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

Facilitator: Gerry Kelly

January 8, February 12, March 11, April 12

Cost: CND\$40 for the complete series. *Books not included.*

Join us for a couple of hours each month as a community of seekers gathered to be nurtured by the insights of spiritual authors and strengthened in our faith journey.

This season's titles will be:

- The 20-Minute Retreat by David Perrin
- Between the Dark and the Daylight by Joan Chittister O.S.B
- The Passion and the Cross by Ronald Rolheiser OMI

<https://www.galileecentre.com/spiritual-book-club>

INTO THE SILENT LAND: LENTEN CENTERING PRAYER RETREAT

Facilitators: Susan Kehoe & Hélène Goulet of Contemplative Outreach of Eastern Ontario

February 28 – March 1

Cost Single \$310, Double \$285 CND

You are invited to a two-day immersion into Contemplative wisdom and silence. This retreat offers group prayer and meditation with time to reflect, walk, enjoy the outdoors and journal. <https://www.galileecentre.com/into-the-silent-land-lenten-centering-prayer-retreat->

KENDAASAWIN: HOW WE LEARN

Facilitator: Donna Naughton & Hasina Rakotoariso S.J. of Kateri Native Ministry

April 24-26

Resident Single \$240, Double \$195

Commuter \$135 CND

Join a two day cross cultural experience

designed to provide transformative opportunities for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous learners on the path of healing, reconciliation and spiritual growth. Retreatants will participate in ceremony, teaching, & sharing circles under the guidance of knowledge-keepers.

<https://www.galileecentre.com/how-we-learn-kendasawin>

SISTER WATER AND THE SULTAN

Facilitator: Leonard Desroches

June 12-14

Cost: Single \$330, Double \$305, Commuter \$270 CND

St. Francis speaks to us about the power of love, including loving engagement with the beautiful world around us. He speaks about love of enemy, a vital message for our times. Spend an amazing two days with an advocate, activist and leading authority who has put the lessons of Francis into action in our times.

<https://www.galileecentre.com/sister-water-and-the-sultan>

GUIDED CONTEMPLATIVE RETREAT: Living Life to the MAXIMUM

Facilitators: Sr. Rosemary O'Toole CSJ & Sr. Kathleen O'Keefe, CSJ

July 20-24

Resident only CND\$570

Simply be still, be listening, be loving. This retreat is ideal for those seeking an extended time away to reflect on and deepen their relationship with God and self. Treat yourself to the experience of community in an atmosphere of shared silence and solitude, enjoying the mystery of God's beholding love for you.

<https://www.galileecentre.com/guided-contemplative-retreat>

SEVEN-DAY DIRECTED RETREAT

Directors Fr. Roy Boucher OMI, Sr. Mary Catherine Kelley GSIC, Ms Dolores Hall & Fr. Richard Kelly OMI

July 24-30

Resident only CND\$910

Retreat in an environment of silence, as a part of a praying community discerning the ways of God through prayer. Each day you will meet with your Spiritual Director to speak of your life and prayer. Your director will ask you questions, give you scripture passages, or suggest other ways to pray. You will spend the next 24 hours praying, walking in the grounds of Galilee, napping or just being quiet. Then you will report to your guide about your day.

<https://www.galileecentre.com/seven-day-directed-retreat>

CHRISTIAN FAITH AND SPIRITUALITY IN AN EVOLVING UNIVERSE

Facilitator: Sister Donna Geernaert, SC

August 6-9

Cost: Single \$425, Double \$395, Commuter \$345 CND

Scientific thought provides fresh openings to mysterious sacred depths of reality. Where do we encounter God in today's world of quirks and quarks, chaos and creativity?

How shall we pray alone and with others?

<https://www.galileecentre.com/christian-faith-and-spirituality-in-an-evolving-universe>

MAKE ME AN INSTRUMENT OF YOUR PEACE

Facilitator: Matt Linn S.J.

September 25-27

Cost: Single \$330, Double \$305, Commuter \$270 CND

This healing retreat for the Season of Creation allows the Prayer of St. Francis to heal our wounds and transform us into peacemakers. We need to find the inner and outer peace that characterized St. Francis dancing with his wounds to become instruments of peace with each other and our wounded world.

<https://www.galileecentre.com/make-me-an-instrument-of-your-peace>

AN ADVENT CONTEMPLATIVE RETREAT

Facilitators: Susan Kehoe & Mary Ellen Berry

November 27-29

Resident Single \$310, Double \$285 CND

Come away and pause awhile in the silence of community prayer, in the silence of nature, in the silence of the heart. You are invited to participate a two-day period of silent Advent hope.

<https://www.galileecentre.com/advent-contemplative-retreat>

*Some programs fill up quickly while others may be cancelled due to insufficient registrations
-Register early!*

*Stay tuned to www.galileecentre.com
Events/programs develop organically.*

For more information or to register, contact 613-623-4242 ext. 21 or info@galilee.com

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