

Dear Sisters in Christ

Joyful news! The women of All Saints Parish will hold their First ACTS Retreat at LaSalle Retreat Center this coming September. As Director for this retreat, I am putting together a Mission Team and would like to incorporate representatives from several parishes in the St. Louis area. Please prayerfully consider becoming a team member and joining us as we bring the ACTS Retreat Weekend to the women of All Saints. Here are the details of the retreat:

- Date of the Retreat – September 15 – 18, 2016
- Retreat Fee- \$250.00 plus \$21.00 for Day of Reflection
- Retreat Theme – “Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.” Psalm 113
- Formation Meetings – Tuesday evenings 7:00 – 9:00 pm at All Saints Church located at 7 McMenemy Road, St. Peters, MO 63376 Formation begins on Tuesday, June 7 with an informal meet and greet evening. If you expect to miss more than two meetings, then this probably isn't the right time to serve.
- Commissioning Mass – Sunday, July 17, 2016 at 10:30 am Mass (All Saints)
- Day of Reflection – Saturday, August 6, 2016 at LaSalle Retreat Center
- All team members must have completed the Protecting God Children training and a background check. If you already have completed this requirement – copies of both are due at the beginning of formation. If you have not completed this training you must complete the training and turn your paperwork in by Tuesday, August 15.
- Just a Note: Missioning is a different environment and much more challenging than a parish Retreat. It is a teaching and mentoring environment at all levels; consequently, more experience is necessary. On the initial women's or men's Mission Retreat, it is strongly recommended that all potential Team members (other than seed team members) have served on a parish or mission team and have proven to be faithful to the ACTS Missions process. If a potential team member belongs to a parish which does not have ACTS and, therefore, has not had the opportunity to serve on a parish team, the Mission Team Director has the option of allowing this person to join the Mission Team.

We are looking for up to 24 team members – so if you are interested in becoming a team member please e-mail me at: nonie.kruessel@gmail.com. Please provide me the following information.

- Your name, parish, e-mail, address, home phone and cell phone.
- Number of Parish and or Mission Teams you have served on.
- Why do you feel called to be on this team?
- The ministries and services you have served on and leadership positions you have held in both. (Example: Liturgy, Table Leader, Stations, Footwashing)
- Your prompt reply would be very much appreciated but at the very latest April 30, 2016.

If you have any questions – you may contact me by e-mail nonie.kruessel@gmail.com or at 314-402-7737 (after 4 pm).

I am looking forward to hearing from many of my beautiful Sisters in Christ. Thank you and God Blessings to all.

Lois Kruessel
Director

One Final Note:

Leadership Team: Father Bob Suit (All Saints), Director - Lois Kruessel (Sacred Heart Valley Park), Co-Director- Suzie Henke (Sacred Heart Valley Park), Spiritual Companion- Tina McDonald (St. Paul, Fenton), Seed Team Member and Parish Liaison - Beverly Elfrink (All Saints), Music Director- Linda Campbell (Sacred Heart Valley Park), Lead Angel- Diane Meyer (St. Patrick's in Wentzville)