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Faculty & Staff Programs

Pontigny Society: This semester, Professor Nick Clary will be leading us in our study reflections of John Milton’s **Paradise Regained.** February 10th in the VT RM. Please RSVP for lunch (provided) by February 7 to Mrainville@smcvt.edu — All faculty and staff are welcome.

Partners in Ministry: Thursday, March 12, 2020 from 5:30-7:30 pm, in the Vermont Room. We will be continuing Chpt. 6 of “The Universal Christ”. All are welcome for discussion and prayer with or without snack contribution. Call Stephanie at 881-5131 for more information.

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MASSSES

**Sunday**
11:00 am & *7:00 pm

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**Tuesday-Friday**
*11:30 am

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11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**RECONCILIATION**
Sunday, February 23rd
after each Mass
or by appointment any time
M.O.V.E.—Community Service

**FIRST FRIDAY DONATIONS** — Every month, MOVE will be collecting donations of items you may be looking to get rid of. Items can be dropped off at the MOVE Office located on the 1st floor, Alliot Hall, at Saint Michael’s College. On the first Friday of every month, we will deliver your donations to local non-profits that can use them. Please note: donations must be dropped off BEFORE the first Friday of the month so that we can have time to sort through things and make calls to places that we think could use them. For more information, contact move@smcvt.edu

VITA—Peer Ministry Programs

**VITA** is a faith sharing program led by students:

**Connections**: Scripture reflection group—meets weekly on Thursdays, 7 to 8 pm, and combines discussion, meditation, music and more to help bridge the gap between our college and faith lives. Everyone is welcome to join us! **February 6, and 20.**

**Dessert & the Divine**: Enjoy food and fellowship with other Christians! 7:00 pm/Upper Room of Chapel. **February 27, 2020.** For information, contact Anna Lester at ALester@smcvt.edu

Retreat Opportunities

**EMMAUS - February 21-23, 2020**: This Retreat is a student-led, weekend retreat based on Ignatian spirituality which emphasizes “seeing God in all things.” Emmaus will provide you with the opportunity to meet new people, reflect on your spiritual journey, pray with the Scriptures, share your faith with other students and faculty/staff, and take some time out of your busy life to rest. Best of all, you will become reacquainted with God’s unconditional love revealed by Jesus Christ. **Application deadline: February 3, 2020.** Contact Anna Lester at 654.2897 or Alester@smcvt.edu.

**LEAP - February 28—March 1st, 2020**: LEAP is a unique, communal and deeply personal experience which builds upon talks, activities and group dynamics. The weekend includes a series of presentations that explores the meaning of commitment, peace, prayer and faith in one’s life. It is an opportunity to deepen one’s understanding of self and others within the context of a believing Christian Community centered around the Eucharist. **Contact Rev. Marcel Rainville at 654.2848. Application deadline: February 5, 2020.**

**Young Adult Retreat at Saint Anne’s Shrine—March 21-22, 2020.** This retreat is open to young adults (post college) ages 19-39. The retreat will be led by Sister Cecilia and other sisters of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. The cost of $75 covers meals and lodging. Arrive Saturday, March 21 at 9:30 a.m. and depart on Sunday, March 22 at 2:00 p.m. Register by March 12, 2020. Form can be found on the Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington website or call Bill Gavin at 802.658.6110, ext. 1240.

**5-Day Directed Retreat**: The Society of St. Edmund will be conducting a 5-Day Directed Retreat in the Ignatian tradition from **Sunday June 21 to Friday June 26, 2020** at St. Anne’s Shrine in Isle La Motte. Using principles from the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola, retreatants are invited to contemplate scripture passages in a silent environment, celebrate daily Eucharist and meet with a Spiritual Director each day. Spiritual Directors are specifically trained for this type of retreat and will serve as companions and co-discerners of the Spirit during the retreat. Applicants should be comfortable maintaining an atmosphere of silence and be able to share their prayer experience with a Spiritual Director in a daily meeting of about forty-five minutes. The retreat begins at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 21 and concludes with lunch on Friday, June 26. The cost is $525 per person which includes private room and all meals. A $250 non-refundable deposit is due with application which can be obtained by calling Nancy Dulude at (802) 928-3362 or via email at ndulude@sss.org. Space is limited due to private bedroom accommodations and married couples will likely be assigned to separate cabins unless space availability permits otherwise.