therefore heard the heartbeat of God. He became a symbol of the practice of listening, listening for the beat of the Sacred deep within ourselves, within one another and within the body of the earth. This is the Christianity that emerged in the Celtic world in the earliest centuries. And it is a stream of Christian wisdom that is flowing again. It moves us to be aware of the Sacred at the heart of every moment and it calls us back into true relationship with the earth, with one another and with what is deepest in ourselves, all made of God.

**Resource Persons: Rev. John Philip Newell, PhD,** the celebrated author of Listening for the Heartbeat of God: A Celtic Spirituality (Paulist Press, 1997) is one of the most prominent Christian teachers of spirituality in the Western world. He is an ordained Church of Scotland minister with a passion for peace among the great wisdom traditions of humanity. His PhD is from the University of Edinburgh. In 2016 he founded the School of Celtic Consciousness in the belief that Celtic wisdom is needed at this moment in time—urgently!

*Cami Twilling*, is the Director of Contemplative Spirituality at Trinity United Methodist Church in Denver, Colorado. A retreat leader and certified Spiritual Director, she has been leading retreats for more than 20 years. She also serves on the leadership team at School for Celtic Consciousness in Colorado where she collaborates with John Philip Newell.

### TEILHARD AND STRUGGLE: Drawn to the Road of Fire July 14-19, 2019

While on retreat in 1919, Teilhard experienced a transfiguration-like vision that he shares in his essay, "The Spiritual Power of Matter." During this vision, Teilhard is moved to commit himself to a life of struggle in every aspect without yet knowing what these struggles might be. In this program, we will consider the many ways Teilhard is confronted with struggle—as a scientist, as a believer, as a lover, as a Jesuit, as a mystic, and as a faithful member of the Church. Together we will explore some of the more significant examples, notice Teilhard's responses and share our experiences in order to learn better ways of dealing with the struggles that we face in our lives and in our world today.



Diarmuid O'Murchu sharing some insights with participants

**Resource Person:** Sr. Kathleen Duffy, SSJ, PhD, Professor of Physics at Chestnut Hill College is editor of Teilhard Studies, and Director of the Institute for Religion and Science at Chestnut Hill College. She serves on the advisory boards of the American Teilhard Association and Cosmos and Creation. Kathleen is also editor of Teilhard Studies, a biannual publication of the American Teilhard Association. She has edited a volume of essays about Teilhard's life and works entitled Rediscovering Teilhard's Fire (St. Joseph's University, 2010).

# THE SACRED HEART OF THE COSMOS: Mission Spirit in Modern Time July 21-26, 2019

During this program we will be lead on a mission journey of the heart with artwork of Bro. Mickey created in Guatemala, Kenya, India, and Camden, NJ. Bro. Mickey's images of the Cosmic Heart of Christ reflect the works of diverse figures from Hildegard of Bingen and Vincent van Gogh to Pope Francis, Merton, and Teilhard. Bro. Mickey not only shares his art work but the interesting stories behind the art pieces. Hands-on creative activity will be included through the creation of a cosmic mandala.

**Resource Person: Brother Mickey McGrath, OSFS, MFA**, an Oblate of St. Francis de Sales, lives and works in Camden, NJ. He is an award winning artist, author and speaker who celebrates through his work the connections between art, beauty and religious faith. Bro. Mickey's most recent publications have been award-winning. Our Common Home (2017) and Drawing Closer to God (2016), a coloring book, were produced by World Library Publications; and Be Who You Are: The Spirit of St. Francis De Sales (2016) was published by Clear Faith Publishers.

Peoples of all faiths and cultures are welcome. We invite you to join us for one or more programs.

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# **PROGRAMS IN CALIFORNIA**

MISSION SPIRITUALITY: Releasing the Fire Within Resource Person: Sr. Claudette LaVerdiere, MM, STL

Monrovia, September 8-13, 2019 Los Altos, September 17-20, 2019

(Accommodations are available.)



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### ALL THE LIGHT WE NEED May 12-17, 2019

This program will enable us to reflect on the meaning of holiness today. Two sources will guide us: *Gaudete Et Exsultate* by Pope Francis and the Biblical tradition. The focus of exploration will be to examine what it means to be faithful in the radically changing context of our current time; a time of new challenges where the old answers limp and new ways are being explored. This program will include time for presentations, contemplation and sharing.

**Resource Person: Nancy Schreck, OSF, D. Min,** is a member of the Sisters of St. Francis of Dubuque, Iowa. She currently serves as the Program Director for Excel in Okolona, Mississippi. Nancy has served her congregation in various capacities and in elected leadership, including as President from 2008-2014 and LCWR President from 1994-1997. Nancy holds a M.A. Degree from Boston College and a D.Min. Degree from Pacific School of Theology, Berkeley, CA.

#### OASIS IN THE OVERWHELMED May 19-24, 2019

We live in challenging times. Day by day, stress seems to increase exponentially. That's the *Bad News! The Good News?* The new neuroscience assures us that *we can re-wire our own brains* to increase our resilience, our health, our happiness, our hope. During this program, we will focus on the really big questions: *Who am I? What am I here on this earth for?* Come surf with us. Get clear so you can take powerful action! **Resource Person:** Millie Grenough, MAT, is an international trainer, who is known for her ability to inspire others to do what they thought was impossible. Living and working in Latin America and Europe has exposed her to wisdom from many cultures. Millie has taught the Oasis in the Overwhelmed strategies to thousands of people around the world. Millie is an Executive Coach, Social Worker, and Clinical Instructor in Psychiatry at Yale University School of Medicine.

# MISSION EMPOWERED BY LOVE 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Celebration June 7-9, 2019

A Celebration to honor the 50 years since the founding of the Maryknoll Mission Institute will be held with a weekend Symposium of dynamic presenters. The history of the Mission Institute is one of energy shared, of cutting edge theology, scripture, ecology, spirituality, missiology and cosmology; reaching thousands of participants from all the corners of the world. This weekend will be filled with excitement, celebration and sharing as we delve the depths of our call to *Mission Empowered by Love*.

**Resource Person: Marie A. Dennis, MA, is** co-president of Pax Christi International, the global Catholic peace movement, a position she has held since 2007 and now shares with Bishop Kevin Dowling from South Africa. She was one of the primary organizers of the April 2016 Conference on Nonviolence. Their efforts might well lead to a Papal encyclical. She is also a Pax Christi USA Ambassador of Peace. Keynote address: TOWARD INDIVISIBLE WHOLE

**Resource Person: Carolyn Y. Woo, PhD,** is presently Distinguished President's Fellow for Global Development at Purdue University. From 2012-2016, Woo served as president and CEO of Catholic Relief Services. During this time she was featured in the May/June 2013 issue of Foreign Policy as one of the 500 Most Powerful People on the planet and one of only 33 in the category of "a force for good." Keynote address: GOD, NEIGHBOR, SELF: LOVED INTO ACTION.

**Resource Person: Diarmuid O'Murchu, MSC,** is a social psychologist whose life has been in social ministry, and facilitating programs in Adult Faith Development in many parts of the World. He has given over 14 Mission Institutes and joins us in celebrating this Golden Anniversary. Keynote address: THE SPIRIT LEADS US FORTH.

#### TRAVELING THE ROAD TO JOY WITH THOMAS MERTON AND FRIENDS June 16-21, 2019

**66** Rejoice always!" (I Thes.5:16) How do we do so? What is joy? How do we find joy? What are the obstacles to joy in our lives? What does the practice of joy entail? Guided by mystic and prophet, Thomas Merton, we will explore signposts on the road to joy, including the joy of being human, the joy of friendship, mercy, mission, and the joy of becoming *ONE*. We will draw on the wisdom of writers that Merton counted among his friends, including the Dalai Lama, Abraham Heschel, Julian of Norwich, Thich Nhat Hanh and Rainer Maria Rilke

**Resource Person: Christine Bochen, PhD,** is Professor Emerita of Religious Studies at Nazareth College in Rochester N.Y. where she held the William H. Shannon Chair in Catholic Studies. She holds a Master's and a Doctorate from the Catholic University of America. She is a founding member and past president of the International Thomas Merton Society. In addition to **Essential Writings** (Orbis, 2000), Bochen has edited several other volumes of Merton's writings and co-edited **The Thomas**  Merton Encyclopedia, published by Orbis Books in 2002.

#### MISSION INTER GENTES: An Egalitarian Missiology for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century June 23-28, 2019

Ever since Pope Paul VI challenged us to be open to being evangelized by those we seek to evangelize, mission has become a highly collaborative endeavor. Gospel empowerment rather than conversion is the primary goal. We will explore the ensuing theological and practical implications.

**Resource Person:** Diarmuid O'Murchu, MSC, is a priest and social psychologist with a specialized interest in emerging trends of faith and mission in the contemporary world. His more recent books include: In the Beginning Was the Spirit (Orbis, 2012), Beyond Original Sin (Orbis, 2018). He facilitates programs on Adult Faith Development throughout the world.

# LISTENING FOR THE HEARTBEAT OF GOD: A Celtic Spirituality July 7-12, 2019

One of the most cherished images in the Celtic world is the memory of John the Beloved leaning against Jesus at the Last Supper. It was said that he



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