

## HOLY ASSUMPTION MONASTERY CATALOG OF RETREAT DATES, SPEAKERS, AND TOPICS

Category	Month	Speaker	Topic
Misc.	Saturday, October 31, 1998	V. Rev. John Chakos St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church, Santa Barbara CA	The Royal Priesthood: Offering Our Whole Life to God
Retreat In-person	Saturday, December 11, 2010	Father Andrew Cuneo Priest at St. Seraphim Church, Santa Rosa CA	Modern Mind, Ancient Book: Reading the Bible in the 21st Century
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, February 6, 2011	Abbott Meletios Webber Abbott of The Monastery of St. John of San Francisco, Manton CA	Answering the Call to Repentance
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, April 10, 2011	Father Lawrence & Mat. Ann Margitich Rector of St. Seraphim Church, Santa Rosa CA	Pilgrimage to Holy (Part 1 of 2)
Misc.	Apr-2011	Archpriest Artemy Vladimirov Russia	<b>RETREAT</b> at Holy Virgin Cathedral ROCOR in San Francisco: 2011 Lenten Retreat
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, May 1, 2011	Father Andrew Cuneo Priest at St. Seraphim Church, Santa Rosa CA	Why We Hope Narnia Is Real: C.S. Lewis on Longing
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, June 5, 2011	Father John Finley Missions & Evangelism Dept., Antiochian Archdiocese	The Power of Bones
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, July 3, 2011	Vincent Rossi Theologian, Educator & Independent Scholar Parishioner at St. Seraphim Church, Santa Rosa CA	Contemplative Prayer, Part I of III Climbing the Ladder of Prayer
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, September 4, 2011	Vincent Rossi Theologian, Educator & Independent Scholar Parishioner at St. Seraphim Church, Santa Rosa CA	Contemplative Prayer, Part II of III Between Passion & Dispassion: Learning to Pray with True Feeling, Attention and Compunction
Misc.	Sunday, October 2, 2011	Father Thomas Hopko	1. Homily 2. Discussion
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, October 2, 2011	Father Deacon Gregory Roeber Professor of Early Modern History and Religious Studies, Penn State University	Prayer, Fasting, and ...: Reflections on Charity and Righteousness in the Orthodox Tradition

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Friends' Gathering	Sunday, December 4, 2011	Father Lawrence & Mat. Ann Margitich Rector of St. Seraphim Church, Santa Rosa CA	Pilgrimage to Constantinople (Part 2 of 2)
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, January 8, 2012	Vincent Rossi Theologian, Educator & Independent Scholar Parishioner at St. Seraphim Church, Santa Rosa CA	Contemplative Prayer, Part IV (ongoing) Encountering God through Inner Prayer & Neptic Fasting: Breaking Down the "Middle Wall of Partition"
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, February 12, 2012	Archimandrite Irenei Steenberg St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Church, San Francisco CA Dean: Patristics & Church History Ss. Cyril & Athanasius of Alexandria Institute for Orthodox Studies, San Francisco CA	Finishing the Race: Maintaining the love of God in the midst of the world
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, March 11, 2012	V. Rev. Fr. Stephan Meholick Rector of St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, San Anselmo CA	For What the Bells Toll ... and When
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, April 1, 2012	Archpriest Alexander Krassovsky Ss. Peter & Paul Church, Santa Rosa CA	The Nature of Passions and True Repentance
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, May 13, 2012	His Eminence Metropolitan NIKITAS (Lulias)	The Role of the Samaritan Woman in Hymnology
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, June 10, 2012	Robin Joy Wellman State Park Interpreter, Fort Ross	Fort Ross - Past, Present, & Future
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, July 8, 2012	Roberta Sardell Orthodox Christian Mission Center Team Member	Hundreds Turn to Christ in Tarkana: Kenyan Catechism
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, September 9, 2012	Archpriest Constantine Efstathiou Pastor Emeritus, Holy Nativity Church, Novato, CA	Reflections on 46 Years of Pastoral Ministry
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, October 14, 2012	Deacon John Dibs St. Timothy Orthodox Church, Fairfield, CA	Three Orthodox Christian Priests from Latvia: An Oral History with Archpriests Nikolajs Vieglais & George Benigsen, along with excerpts from Archpriest Alexei Yonov's "Reflections of a Missionary"
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, November 11, 2012	Elena Gutteridge	Monastery & Church Life in Russia: Recollections of an American Pilgrim

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Friends' Gathering	Sunday, December 9, 2012	Vincent Rossi Theologian, Educator & Independent Scholar Parishioner at St. Seraphim Church, Santa Rosa CA	Two Hesychast Reflections on the Nativity of Christ: Ss. Theoleptus of Philadelphia and Gregory Palamas
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, January 13, 2013	Mother Melania (Salem) Superior, Holy Assumption Monastery Calistoga, CA	How Crazy is That?! Part 1: What the Fathers have to say about mental illness, demonic possession, and the insanity of sin
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, February 10, 2013	Mother Melania (Salem) Superior, Holy Assumption Monastery Calistoga, CA	How Crazy is That?! Part 2: Becoming Sane
Retreat In-person	Saturday, February 23, 2013	Dr. John Klientos Associate Professor of Eastern Orthodox Christian Studies Patriarch Athenagoras Orthodox Institute/Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> Orthodox Life in the Internet World
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, March 10, 2013	Stephen Lloyd-Moffett Associate Professor of Religious Studies Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, CA	The Orthodox Difference: What Makes Orthodoxy Unique?
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, April 14, 2013	Nicolas Custer Choir Conductor St. Seraphim Church, Santa Rosa, CA	A Musical Journey Through Lent
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, May 12, 2013	Archimandrite Irenei Steenberg St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Church, San Francisco CA > Dean of Monastic Life, Western American Diocese (ROCOR) > Director, Ss. Cyril & Athanasius of Alexandria Institute for Orthodox Studies, San Francisco CA	The Place of Doubt in the Life of a Christian
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, June 16, 2013	Robin Joy Wellman State Park Interpreter, Fort Ross	Colony Ross - Everyday Life
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, July 14, 2013	Dale Liid Adjunct Faculty Member of Fuller Theological Seminary, Retired	Monasticism in the Judean Desert - Hearing God in the Silence
Retreat In-person	Saturday, July 20, 2013	His Eminence Archbishop BENJAMIN (Peterson)	<b>RETREAT:</b> The Jewish Roots of Christianity

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Friends' Gathering	Sunday, September 8, 2013	Roger Moss, Attorney-Mediator, Pacific Bridge Mediation, Napa CA Mother Melania, Mother Superior at Holy Assumption Monastery	Restorative Justice & Healing
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, October 13, 2013	V. Rev. Fr. James Jorgenson Associate Professor of Church History and Biblical Language (retired), Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit MI	The Christology of the Seventh Ecumenical Council: Its spiritual and practical implications for our lives
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, November 17, 2013	V. Rev. Fr. Stephan Meholick Rector of St. Nicholas Church, San Anselmo, CA	Ritualism vs. Logikē Latreía
Friends' Gathering	Sunday, December 8, 2013	Sister Margarete Roeber Holy Assumption Monastery, Calistoga CA	Wherefore Man & Woman: Exploring the Purpose of Sexual Duality in Mankind and Its Implications for the Ordination of Women to the Priesthood
Retreat In-person	Saturday, March 15, 2014	Floyd Franz OCMC Missionary Director & Founder of St. Dimitire Basarabov Program	<b>RETREAT:</b> Addiction and Recovery from an Orthodox Perspective
Retreat In-person	Saturday, June 28, 2014	Dr. John Kientos Associate Professor of Eastern Orthodox Christian Studies Patriarch Athenagoras Orthodox Institute/Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> <i>The Life in Christ</i> according to St. Nicholas Cabasilas
Retreat In-person	Saturday, November 15, 2014	V. Rev. Fr. Stephan Meholick Rector of St. Nicholas Church, San Anselmo, CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> The Divine Liturgy: Communing Both Vertically and Horizontally
Retreat In-person	Saturday, March 21, 2015	Hieromonk Innocent (Green) Superior Monastery of St. John of Shanghai & San Francisco, Manton CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> Applying Monastic Principles to Everyday Life
Retreat In-person	Saturday, June 27, 2015	Mother Melania (Salem) Superior, Holy Assumption Monastery Calistoga, CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> Practical Lessons from the Lives of Ss. Peter & Paul

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Retreat In-person	Saturday, October 10, 2015	Father Theodor Svane a priest of St. Seraphim Church, Santa Rosa CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> The Orthodox Church in Norway - Her saints, history, and current situation
Misc.	Saturday, October 24, 2015	Mother Melania (Salem) Superior, Holy Assumption Monastery Calistoga, CA	<b>RETREAT at St. Timothy's Orthodox Church (Fairfield, CA):</b> In the World, But Not of It
Misc.	Monday, February 8, 2016	Father Stephen Freeman Rector of St. Anne Orthodox Church, Oak Ridge TN	<b>RETREAT at St. Seraphim's Orthodox Church (Santa Rosa, CA):</b> Beyond Shame
Retreat In-person	Saturday, March 5, 2016	Archimandrite Irenei Steenberg St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Church, San Francisco CA > Director, Ss. Cyril & Athanasius of Alexandria Institute for Orthodox Studies, San Francisco CA > Abbot of St. Silouan Monastery, Sonora CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> Bearing Witness - Martyrdom in everyday life in the 21st century
Misc.	Friday, April 1, 2016	Mother Melania (Salem) Superior, Holy Assumption Monastery Calistoga, CA	<b>RETREAT at Ss. Peter &amp; Paul Orthodox Church (Ben Lomond, CA):</b> Be Who You Are in the Body of Christ
Misc.	Saturday, April 9, 2016	Mother Melania (Salem) Superior, Holy Assumption Monastery Calistoga, CA	<b>RETREAT at St. Seraphim's Orthodox Church (Santa Rosa, CA):</b> Fasting, Almsgiving, and Prayer: The Three Great Lenten Disciplines
Retreat In-person	Saturday, June 25, 2016	Hieromonk Innocent (Green) Superior Monastery of St. John of Shanghai & San Francisco Manton, CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> On Stillness and the Prayer of the Heart
Retreat In-person	Fri-Sat-Sun, November 11-12-13, 2016	Luke Currier Lifelong Gardener	<b>RETREAT:</b> Permaculture Workshop

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Retreat In-person	Saturday, March 11, 2017	Fr. Philip Tolbert Archpriest in the Bulgarian Eastern Orthodox Diocese of the USA, Canada & Australia Holy Dormition Orthodox Church Santa Rosa, CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> The Divine Scriptures of the Orthodox Church, Reading the Bible as an Orthodox Christian
Retreat In-person	Saturday, June 24, 2017	Reader John Burnett former Africa Missionary St. Nicholas Orthodox Church San Anselmo, CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> Gospel of St. Mark
Retreat In-person	Saturday, November 4, 2017	Rt. Rev. Father Tryphon Abbot All-Merciful Saviour Monastery Vashon Island, WA	<b>RETREAT:</b> Incarnating Christ in the Midst of Our World
Retreat In-person	Saturday, March 3, 2018	Mother Melania (Salem) Abbess, Holy Assumption Monastery Calistoga, CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> Marriage, Love, and Sexuality: A Cultural Crossroads
Retreat In-person	Saturday, July 7, 2018	Fr. Philip Tolbert Archpriest in the Bulgarian Eastern Orthodox Diocese of the USA, Canada & Australia Holy Dormition Orthodox Church Santa Rosa, CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> Orthodox Christianity & American Constitutional Ideals
Retreat In-person	Saturday, November 17, 2018	V. Rev. John Takahashi Archpriest in the Orthodox Church in America and Dean Emeritus of Holy Trinity Cathedral San Francisco, CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> Critical Junctures in 2,000 Years of our Christian Heritage

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Retreat In-person	Saturday, March 9, 2019	Fr. Ian MacKinnon Pastor Emeritus of Elevation of the Holy Cross Orthodox Church Sacramento, CA  Fr. Timothy Winegar Pastor of Elevation of the Holy Cross Orthodox Church Sacramento, CA	<b>RETREAT:</b> Seek Ye First the Kingdom: Our Lord's Teaching from the Sermon on the Mount
Retreat In-person	Saturday, June 22, 2019	Fr. Edward Henderson Pastor of St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church Berkeley, CA  Veronica Ruby Coordinator of Orthodox Christians for Life San Francisco Bay Area	<b>RETREAT:</b> In His Image and Likeness: Sanctity of Life Teachings of the Holy Orthodox Church and Reflections on an Orthodox Christian Resonse for Our Times
Retreat Online	Friday, April 24, 2020	V. Rev. Fr. Anthony Roeber Professor of Church History at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary Yonkers, NY	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> The Legacy of the Eyewitnesses: Gospel Accounts of the Resurrection
Retreat Online	Saturday, April 25, 2020	V. Rev. Spyridon Jajeh Clinicial Pharmacist, Director of Hospital Pharmacy, & Adjunct Professor of Pharmacy Practice	CANCELLED
Retreat Online	Sunday, June 7, 2020	V. Rev. Spyridon Jajeh Clinicial Pharmacist, Director of Hospital Pharmacy, & Adjunct Professor of Pharmacy Practice	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> COVID-19 and the Value of Life: Practical Implications  Bioethics Series

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Retreat Online	Saturday, June 27, 2020	Robin Joy Wellman Clinical Pharmacist, Director of Hospital Pharmacy, & Adjunct Professor of Pharmacy Practice	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Holy Martyr Peter the Aleut: The Historical and Spiritual Connection
Retreat Online	Sunday, July 5, 2020	V. Rev. Spyridon Jajeh Clinical Pharmacist, Director of Hospital Pharmacy, & Adjunct Professor of Pharmacy Practice	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> COVID-19 and the Value of Life: Practical Implications (Part 2)  Bioethics Series
Retreat Online	Sunday, August 2, 2020	Mother Melania (Salem) Abbess, Holy Assumption Monastery Calistoga, CA	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Questions of Bioethics  Bioethics Series
Retreat Online	Saturday, August 15, 2020	V. Rev. Fr. Anthony Roeber Professor of Church History at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary Yonkers, NY  Mother Melania (Salem) Abbess, Holy Assumption Monastery & author of children's books Calistoga, CA	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> The Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos: History & Heart

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Retreat Online	Saturday, November 14, 2020	V. Rev. Fr. Anthony Roeber Professor of Church History at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary Yonkers, NY	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Saints Martin & Philip and the Nativity Fast
Retreat Online	Saturday, December 12, 2020	His Grace, Bishop DANIEL (Brum) Bishop of Santa Rosa	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Walking to Bethlehem: A Spiritual Preparation for the Feast of the Nativity
Retreat Online	Saturday, January 9, 2021	V. Rev. Spyridon Jajeh Clinicial Pharmacist, Director of Hospital Pharmacy, & Adjunct Professor of Pharmacy Practice	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> The Killing of the Innocents: A Reflection on Herod and Abortion  Bioethics Series
Retreat Online	Saturday, February 13, 2021	Rev. Fr. Anthony Roeber Professor of Church History at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary Yonkers, NY	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> From One Day to More Than 40: Preparing for Pascha
Retreat Online	Saturday, March 13, 2021	His Grace, Bishop DANIEL (Brum) Bishop of Santa Rosa	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Lenten Lessons
Retreat Online	Saturday, April 10, 2021	Mother Melania (Salem) Abbess, Holy Assumption Monastery Calistoga, CA	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> The Three Great Lenten Disciplines: Fasting, Prayer, & Almsgiving
Retreat Online	Saturday, May 8, 2021	Rev. Fr. Anthony Roeber Professor of Church History at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary Yonkers, NY	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> How Do We Celebrate 50 Days of Pascha?
Retreat Online	Saturday, June 12, 2021	V. Rev. Spyridon Jajeh Clinicial Pharmacist, Director of Hospital Pharmacy, & Adjunct Professor of Pharmacy Practice	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> SANCTITY OF LIFE: EUTHANASIA AND END-OF-LIFE DECISIONS  Bioethics Series

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Retreat Online	Saturday, August 21, 2021	Mother Melania (Salem) Abbess, Holy Assumption Monastery Calistoga, CA	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> The Beatitudes
Retreat Online	Saturday, September 11, 2021	Rev. Fr. Anthony Roeber Professor of Church History at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary Yonkers, NY	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Taking Up and Exalting the Cross
Retreat Online	Saturday, October 9, 2021	Fr. Ian MacKinnon Pastor Emeritus of Elevation of the Holy Cross Orthodox Church Sacramento, CA  Fr. Timothy Winegar Pastor of Elevation of the Holy Cross Orthodox Church Sacramento, CA	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> The Orthodox Understanding of Illness and Healing
Retreat Online	Saturday, November 13, 2021	V. Rev. Arkady Mironko Holy Virgin Mary Cathedral Los Angeles, California  Archdeacon Joseph Matusiak St. Sergius of Radonezh Chapel Oyster Bay Cove, New York  Mother Macrina (Roeber) Holy Assumption Monastery Calistoga, CA	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> How Good and How Joyous: Exploring the Special Relationship between the Orthodox Church in America and the Polish Orthodox Church
Retreat Online	Saturday, December 11, 2021	Rev. Fr. Anthony Roeber Professor of Church History at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary Yonkers, NY	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Reflections on St. Ephrem the Syrian's Hymns for Nativity

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Retreat Online	Saturday, January 8, 2022	His Grace, Bishop DANIEL (Brum) Bishop of Santa Rosa	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Priest and Parishioners: Sharing the Journey
Retreat Online	Saturday, February 12, 2022	Fr. Constantine Efstathiou Priest Emeritus at Nativity of Christ Greek Orthodox Church Novato, CA	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Things I Wish I Had Known When I Was Ordained
Retreat Online	Saturday, March 12, 2022	Rev. Fr. Anthony Roeber Professor of Church History at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary Yonkers, NY	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> A Eucharistic Understanding of the Church: The Role of the Presanctified Liturgy, East and West
Retreat Online	Saturday, May 14, 2022	His Grace, Bishop DANIEL (Brum) Bishop of Santa Rosa	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Mary, Mother and Disciple
Retreat Online	Saturday, June 11, 2022	Rev. Fr. Anthony Roeber Professor of Church History at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary Yonkers, NY	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Honoring Saints Peter & Paul
Retreat Online	Saturday, September 10, 2022	Rev. Fr. Anthony Roeber Professor of Church History at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary Yonkers, NY	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Reflections on The Cross: Giving Commandments of Salvation, He Released Us from the Delusion of Idols
Retreat Online	Saturday, October 8, 2022	John Burnett, Reader Former African Missionary Director of the St. Nicholas Africa Fund St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, San Anselmo, CA	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> What if we could live as Mother Gavrilia? The Africa Fund after 18 Years
Retreat Online	Saturday, November 12, 2022	Mother Melania (Salem) Abbess, Holy Assumption Monastery Calistoga, CA	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> How Do You Love People You Don't Like?

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Retreat Online	Saturday, December 10, 2022	Fr. Philip Halliwell Rector Christ the Saviour Church, San Francisco, CA	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Lessons from the Lives of Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip
Retreat Online	Saturday, February 11, 2023	Rev. Fr. Anthony Roeber Professor of Church History at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary Yonkers, NY	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> St. Valentine and Other Witnesses Ancient and Modern <b>CANCELLED DUE TO ILLNESS</b>
Retreat Online	Saturday, March 11, 2023	His Eminence, Archbishop DANIEL (Brum) Archbishop of Chicago and the Diocese of the Midwest	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> Crucified with Christ: The Cross in the Christian Life
Retreat Online	Saturday, May 13, 2023	V. Rev. Spyridon Jajeh Clinical Pharmacist, Director of Hospital Pharmacy, & Adjunct Professor of Pharmacy Practice; and Priest, St. Timothy Orthodox Church, Fairfield, CA	<b>ZOOM PRESENTATION:</b> COVID--Assessing the True Aftermath
Retreat In-person	Saturday, February 7, 2026	His Grace, Bishop VASILY (Permiakov) Bishop of San Francisco and the West	<b>RETREAT:</b> Lent as the School of Theology and Piety