

FEBRUARY 1st to 5th, 2010

NEAR OCCASIONS OF GRACE

"We now interrupt our regular programming."

*If every Catholic knows that there are Near Occasions of Sin, why not **Near Occasions of Grace**? During this retreat we will turn our prayerful attention to some forgotten pleasures and delights such as the pleasure of being sensual, the pleasure of being foolish, the pleasure of not knowing, the pleasure of imperfection, the pleasure of doing nothing useful, the pleasure of ordinariness, the pleasure of returning or coming home ... Such pleasures are, I suggest, beyond our regular programming! We were never told that such delights are potential points of entry into the mystery of love and the fullness of life.*

with **Fr. Philip Chircop, S.J.** a well-known retreat master and an artist at heart and who loves all things beautiful and soulful. He strongly believes that beauty is a uniquely wonderful entry into the mystery of the God "whose centre is everywhere and whose circumference is nowhere". Fr. Philip considers himself a seeker, always looking for fresh and creative ways to proclaim the Good News hopefully helping "fellow pilgrims on the way" to embrace real and radical changes that lead to transformation in Christ Jesus.

Suggested Offering: \$ 325.00 (Includes retreat program, accommodation, meals, and spiritual direction.)

FROM MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1st 7:00 pm to FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5th AFTER LUNCH.

JUNE 4th to 6th, 2010

"I'LL FOLLOW YOU JESUS... AH, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?"

A SPECIAL RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS 18 - 35 YRS.

A silent retreat with input from the presenter on the nature of discernment and the prayer that supports it. This retreat aims to help younger people learn the skills of discernment in order to assist them in making the important decisions they face in their life and to help them develop the habit of discernment as an ordinary element of their spiritual development.

with **Fr. Len Altilia, S.J.** whom after 25 years of high school ministry, has spent the last 13 years as Assistant for Vocations for the Jesuits in English Canada. In that capacity, he spends most of his time helping young people discern their vocation in life.

Suggested Offering: \$ 165.00 (Includes retreat program, accommodation, meals, and spiritual direction.)

FROM FRIDAY, JUNE 4th 7:00 pm TO SUNDAY, JUNE 6th AFTER LUNCH.

JUNE 11th to 13th, 2010

**"WHERE IS GOD IN SUFFERING?
ENCOUNTERING GOD IN THE SHACK."**

Using the bestselling book "The Shack" by Wm. Paul Young and it's companion, "Finding God in the Shack" by Roger Olson, this retreat will seek some answers to the question that often disturbs many Christians: How can an all-good, all-powerful God allow suffering?

The retreat will be facilitated by **Dr. Meg Lavin**, assistant professor of Systematic Theology at Regis College in Toronto. Dr. Lavin has extensive experience leading group retreats and in individual spiritual direction.

Suggested Offering: \$ 165.00 (Includes retreat program, accommodation, meals, and spiritual direction.)

FROM FRIDAY, JUNE 11th 7:00 pm TO JUNE 13th AFTER LUNCH.