

Ignatius Jesuit Centre is a place of peace that welcomes a global community of people who seek to integrate their inner and outer life with God and with all Creation.

We promote right relationships with God, with each other and with Creation, especially through spiritual development in the tradition of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola and through deep engagement with this land.

Loyola House Retreat & Training Centre is central to the Ignatius Jesuit Centre, located one km north of Guelph on over 600 acres of beautiful farmland, with walking trails through rolling hills, woods and wetlands—all of it an integral part in our retreats and programs.



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Earth Weekend Retreats

November 25-27 2016
March 17-19 2017

*Facilitated by
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& Tarcia Gerwing*



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Bill Clarke, SJ has been doing the ministry of spiritual accompaniment of individuals and communities since his ordination as a Jesuit priest in 1966. He has been deeply engaged with this land – living and working on it – for 35 years, and will share the fruits of the rich friendship that has developed.

Yvonne Prowse, MA holds a masters in Christian spirituality and spiritual direction, into which she weaves practices from Native American and African spirituality. She brings the wisdom of Ignatian Spirituality to the contemporary ecological crisis using poetry, mysticism and her life-long love of nature.

Tarcia Gerwing, MA first fell in love with the Earth growing up on the prairies of Saskatchewan. She is a woman of deep wisdom and compassion. As a spiritual director, she teaches spiritual direction and prayer in many communities, including the aboriginal community on Manitoulin Island.

Let Heaven & Nature Sing: Advent Retreat with the Earth

November 25-27 2016

Even the 'fields and streams, rocks, hills and plains, repeat the sounding joy' of the birth of the Saviour. The beauty and wonder of creation sing to us of God's presence among us. In this weekend retreat we pray our way into great harmony with this amazing gift of God to us. A guided retreat with personal and communal prayer, and time with the Ignatius land in its winter beauty.

A Lenten Journey with the Earth NEW!

March 17-19 2017

The beauty and wonder of Creation were vital to Jesus' life. He prayed in the desert and on the mountain; in his last hours he sought God in the garden. He used mud to heal a man. He told parables about farmers, wheat and soil. Together we will pray our way into a great awareness of this amazing gift of God to us. In this guided retreat we will deepen the holy communion we share with the natural world, one another and God.

**Cost: \$260 - Live-in
\$160 - Commuter**

To apply for this program, complete the online application form at loyolahouse.com under Application. A downloadable form may also be completed, from the application webpage.

Retreats and Programs

It is our intention to ensure the financial sustainability of the retreats and programs we provide at the Ignatius Jesuit Centre. Cancellations represent an expense to the Centre and a lost opportunity for others to participate in the retreats and programs.

Payment

Payment in full must be received in order to secure your booking.

Cancellations & Refunds are managed on an individual basis.

Fees

The costs of all programs are in Canadian funds (Cdn.). Payment may be made by cash, cheque, money order, VISA, MasterCard, online or bank draft in Canadian funds payable to the Ignatius Jesuit Centre.

The fees include room and board, sessions with a spiritual director, daily liturgy, all required materials, and access to the land.

Checking In

Unless otherwise noted in the schedule, retreats and programs begin at 8pm on the first day and end at 1pm on the last day. You may arrive between 6:30pm and 7:45pm.