

registration form

Word ♦ Flesh ♦ Spirit
July 26-31, 2009

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Registration fee includes materials, overnight accommodations, and meals from 3pm, July 26th to 10:30am, July 31, 2009.

Scholarships are available. To apply, contact New Ways Ministry in writing by May 31, 2009.

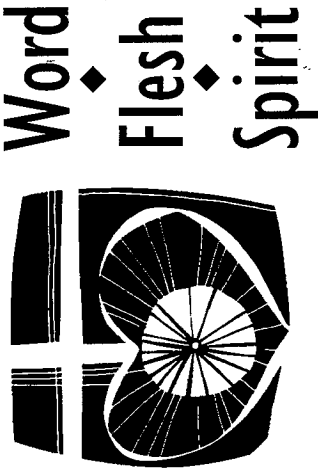
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An Exploration of Sexuality, Intimacy, and Celibacy

A Retreat for Priests
and Men Religious

July 26-31, 2009

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Content

The general purpose of this retreat is to help religious men and priests move toward sexual integration within the lifestyle of celibacy.

Through presentations, individual reflection, journal writing, discussion, and prayer, the participants will consider how their sexuality affects the way they understand their vocation, their ministry, their relationships with others, and their relationship with God.

The program is designed to provide a safe space for participants to look honestly and intimately at their lives and to help each individual take a healthy and holy look at their past, present, and future.

Each participant, whether gay, bisexual, heterosexual, or questioning, will examine the particular details of his own sexuality. Through greater self-understanding, participants will be enabled to discern a path for a more authentic, integrated, and satisfying life.

Participants will be encouraged to examine their lives with candor and respect. The decision to share the fruits of these reflections with others on the retreat will depend on each person's discretion. All discussions will be honored with confidentiality.

The weekend is open to members of men's religious communities, seminarians, and diocesan priests. Community leaders and vocation/formation personnel are invited to participate as a way for better self-understanding, and also as a way to better inform their leadership and discernment ministries.



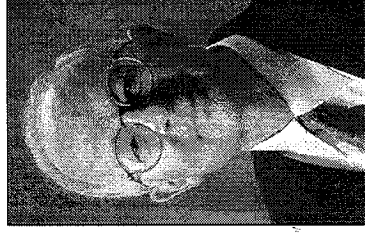
General Daily Schedule

- 8:00 am - Breakfast
- 9:00 am - Morning Prayer
- 9:15 am - Presentation
- 10:15 am - Break
- 10:45 am - Presentation
- 12:00 pm - Lunch
- 1:00 pm - Journaling and Private Reflection
- 3:00 pm - Presentation
- 4:30 pm - Eucharist or Evening Prayer
- 5:30 pm - Dinner
- 7:30 pm - Sharing Groups
- 9:00 pm - Social



Presenters

Cornelius Hubbuch, CFX



Cornelius Hubbuch, CFX, served as a high school teacher, principal, Provincial and Vicar General of the Xaverian Brothers. He chaired several boards of the Xaverian Brothers Sponsored Schools and was the Director of Formation for the schools. He was an Assistant Professor and co-director of the Institute for Spirituality and Worship at the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley and served on the staff at the Southdown Institute in Canada. Cornie is currently on the Leadership Team of his province.

John Perito, MD



John E. Perito is a board certified psychiatrist and psychoanalyst. He has practiced for many years in the Washington, DC, area and has had a special interest in the treatment of priests and religious. He has consulted on sexuality issues with religious personnel from all over the world through the Christian Institute for the Study of Human Sexuality. His publications include *Contemporary Catholic Sexuality: What is Taught and What is Practiced* and *Adolescent Sexuality: Too Much, Too Soon: Spiritual and Sexual Guidance for Parents*.

The retreat includes the following opportunities to reflect on:

- one's psychosexual history;
- the discovery and relevance of one's sexual orientation;
- how to integrate the experience of falling in love;
- the joys and tensions of living celibacy;
- the capacity for self-disclosure, intimacy, and expressing affection;
- the possible tensions and struggles of sexual diversity in religious life;
- one's relational patterns with people of the same and opposite gender;
- the integration of spirituality and sexuality.