



REGIONAL RETREAT

July 12 – 14, 2024

Franciscan Renewal Center

5802 E Lincoln Dr, Scottsdale, AZ

REGISTER ONLINE:

Go to <https://www.stmregionofs.com/>

800th Anniversary of the Stigmata of St. Francis:
How are we signs of our times?



Cost of Registration:

\$200/pers. (Incl. Retreat Program, 2 nights lodging, dinner Fri., 3 meals Sat., and 2 meals Sun.)
\$150/pers. for commuters Friday through Sunday (Includes everything except lodging)
\$100/pers. for commuters for Saturday only (Includes Retreat Program and 3 meals)

Things to bring:

- Water bottle (we will provide ice water for refills)
- Snacks and drinks to share for our social time (we have the use of the refrigerator)
- Item to contribute to the Silent Auction (either a personal donation or one from your fraternity (ex: baskets with a theme; Think useful and Franciscan ;)
- Cash or checks to purchase Silent auction items
- Donation items for the Service Project (See below page 3)



- Swim suit if you plan to take advantage of the pool and or Hot tub
- A jacket or sweater (the conference room may be chilly at times)
- Before you leave home and for your safety, please download from our Regional Website, the Emergency Medical Form, fill it out and place it in a sealed envelope. Write your name on the envelope and place in a conspicuous location in your guest room. You may keep an additional copy of this form with you.

Please note: We have a limited number of guest rooms. Register soon!
Registration will close June 25, 2024.

Meet our presenters:

The Most Reverend John P. Dolan was ordained a priest for the Diocese of San Diego, CA, July 1, 1989. He was installed as the fifth bishop of the Diocese of Phoenix August 2, 2022. Prior to his arrival in Phoenix, he served as Auxiliary Bishop of San Diego since April 2017, where he also served as the vicar general, vicar for clergy and the moderator of the curia.



Fr. Marek Skybor, OFM Conv, was born in Poland. Meeting the friars as a teenager and then inspired by their love for God and their missionary zeal, he joined the order in 1991. He served in Kenya in 1995 continuing his priestly studies. Ordained in 1995, he served as vocation director, retreat director, and postulant director and parish priest for Kenya and Tanzania. In 2004, Fr Marek continued his missionary vocation in North America, involved in parish ministry, youth ministry, and the formation of Franciscan novices. A popular retreat preacher and spiritual director, Fr Marek has enjoyed ministry to Secular Franciscans for many years. He is presently asked to be the Spiritual Assistant of OFS National Formation Committee.

Fr. Garrett Galvin, OFM holds a doctorate in biblical studies from the Catholic University of America. He is President at the Franciscan School of Theology where he has taught a variety of courses on Sacred Scripture. He has written two books and a number of articles including chapters on 1 Samuel in the Paulist Biblical Commentary and 2 Kings in the Jerome Biblical Commentary for the Twenty-First Century.



Joe Makley, OFS, is national animator for the Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation Commission, OFS-USA. In this capacity, he has focused on increasing awareness, clarifying misconceptions, and helping to demonstrate a Franciscan voice for Justice, Peace, and the integrity of Creation. Since his profession to the Order in 1996, Joe has sought to understand and to share the practical implications of our Gospel commitment, especially as described in article #15 of the Rule: “promoting justice” with “courageous initiatives” in public life. He has focused recently on implementation of *Laudato Si* and *Laudate Deum* and is looking forward to sharing that work. Joe is a member of Holy Family fraternity in Norway, Maine, and recent vice minister of the St. Elizabeth of Hungary Region.

Retreat Coordinators:

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GROUP SERVICE PROJECT

We will assemble Blessing bags for the homeless, to donate to St. Vincent de Paul and André House. Please consider bringing items to fill these bags.



Suggested items to bring:

- Toothbrushes
- Travel-size toothpaste
- Travel-size shampoo
- Soap
- Deodorant
- Combs and hairbrushes
- Disposable razors
- Wash Cloths
- Band-Aids
- Lip balm
- Feminine hygiene products
- Ibuprofen, Aspirin, etc
- Prayer cards