



## The Beacon.Com - Marianist Family Retreat Center E-Newsletter

### *Summer Edition*

*(Be sure to visit our web site at [www.capemaymarianists.org](http://www.capemaymarianists.org) for a complete schedule, retreat photos and application)*

To find out more of what is happening in the greater Marianist Family – click here [www.marianist.com/foi](http://www.marianist.com/foi) for Marianist Family Online - the Province E-Newsletter.

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Dear Friends,



We are well into the 6<sup>th</sup> week of our 9-Week Summer Family Retreat Program – *Everyday Families...Everyday Heroes* - and so far the retreats have been spectacular. The families have participated so well, all in their own unique way. And each week it seems as if families and staff come to me and ask, “Did you put all of your best volunteers on our week!?”

Many thanks to all of you who promoted and recruited families and staff for this summer's program – this program could not function without your efforts.

So as we look to the end of another blessed summer – I remind you of our upcoming fall and Advent Retreats as well as our Celebration for the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of this ministry (see below for more information).

**[Click here to see photos from Summer Family Retreat Weeks 1 through 5](#)**

## ***Come Celebrate With Us!***

***\*\*\*Look for an invitation right after the summer or rsvp now\*\*\****



Come and join us for a special celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Marianist Family Retreat Center.

**Date:** November 13, 2010

**Location:** St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway, NJ

**Time:** Mass will begin at 12:00pm followed by a reception ending by 4pm.

**Cost:** We are respectfully asking \$25 per person age 12+, \$15/pp age 5-11; under 5 are free with a \$75 per family max (for those living at home) to help defray the cost of this event.

**RSVP:** [mfrfc@capemaymarianists.org](mailto:mfrfc@capemaymarianists.org) or call 609-884-3829



### **Marianist Family Retreat Center Tee Shirts**

Beginning September 1 we will make a limited number of tee shirts available for sale. The tee shirts this year are “Ringer Tees” that are heather gray with navy ringers on the arm and neck bands. The back is plain.

**Available in:** youth medium, adult small, medium, large, X-large and XX-Large

Send your order information (name, address, sizes) to: [mfrfc@capemaymarianists.org](mailto:mfrfc@capemaymarianists.org)

The cost for each shirt is \$12.00 (includes shipping).

***Order now and the shirts will be sent in early September.***

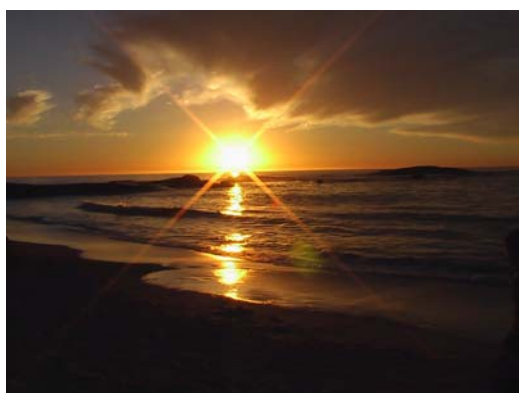
## ***Other Upcoming Retreats & Critical Dates***

To print an application please [click here](#).



### ***Celebration of Marriage Retreat – Sept. 24-26***

This weekend is intended for couples married at least 10 years. It honors and celebrates the commitment of marriage. Presentations and small group discussions address (1) how we got to this point in our marriages, (2) where we are now and (3) what the future might hold. We strike a deliberate balance among participation/reflection, liturgy, free time and fun and plenty of "couple time." The cost for this retreat is \$240/couple.



### ***Spiritual Getaway Days:***

September 28-30 (open)

October 5-7 (**cancelled**)

October 12-14 (open)

**The cost is \$105 per person.**

### **Widow & Widower Reunion Days (September 21-23) OPEN**

**The cost is \$105 per person.**

### **Autumn Women's Retreat (October 22-24) WAIT LIST ONLY**

**The cost is \$120 per person.**



### ***Claiming the Life of a Crone Retreat***

***October 26-28***

Empty-Nester? Retired? Retiring? Downsizing? You were once a girl who became a woman then a mother (to your own or another of God's creation). How did you get here? Come explore the wise, witty and occasionally wild world of the crone!

**The cost for this retreat is \$105 per person.**

## **Autumn High School Teen Retreat (October 29-31) OPEN**

## **A Retreat Into Contemplative Prayer (November 1-4) Mid-week OPEN**

The cost is \$140 per person.



## **Male Spirituality Retreat – November 19-21**

This weekend, open to men from all walks of life, focuses on unique male issues on the spiritual journey. The retreat will consist of Eucharist and other prayer, input, quiet time, small group sharing, socializing, and fun within a supportive, intentional community of men.

*Cost is \$120 per person.*

## **IMPORTANT DATE:**

**August 16<sup>th</sup>** – Earliest date to postmark applications for the:  
**Advent Family Retreats: December 3-5, 10-12, 17-19**

*\*\*Financial Aid is available – please do not let the cost of a retreat be the obstacle that prevents you from joining us...\*\*\**

To print applications visit us at [www.capemaymarianists.org](http://www.capemaymarianists.org)

## ***Marriage Moments and Parenting Pointers***

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### ***On Marriage...***

Have you attended a marriage enrichment program in the past year? What's stopping you? Perhaps make it an anniversary custom every year. Consider our Celebration of Marriage Retreat (Sept 24-26) or A Retreat for Young Married Couples in Spring 2011.

### ***On Parenting...***

**Children can tire and frustrate us, but they can also teach us simplicity, awe, and loyal love. Remember Jesus' words, "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." (Mt 18.3) Just for today, look at your child with the eyes of Jesus. What can you learn from your child today?**

Blessings to All!  
The Marianists  
Cape May Point