



Mission Statement

At the service of the church and one with the *Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate* whose mission is that of Jesus Christ sent to announce good news to the poor, freedom to captives and new vision to the blind (Luke 4), Queen's House is primarily committed to the renewal of the people of God with special regard for the alienated and the suffering.

A place of hospitality, beauty and quiet, Queen's House welcomes all peoples in their unique life experiences. They come to pray and worship, to seek healing and human dignity, to grow in knowledge of self, the world and God. With risk and daring Queen's House responds to these needs through creative programs and collaborative ministry.

Embracing its own need for conversion, Queen's House looks to the day when all may love tenderly, act justly and walk in truth with one another and with God (Micah 6).

Queen's House Retreat & Renewal Centre

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For details on all programs:
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Queen's House

A sacred place to stimulate your mind
and nourish your spirit through:

- ◆ Ecumenical Encounter & Prayer
- ◆ Silent Retreats & Spiritual Direction
- ◆ Contemplation & Meditation
- ◆ Healing Retreats & Workshops
- ◆ Biblical Learning & Engagement
- ◆ Reflections on the Seasons of the Church Year
- ◆ 12-Steps Retreats & Gatherings
- ◆ Solitude and Private Refuge
- ◆ Yoga & Holistic Practices
- ◆ Art & Iconography
- ◆ First Nations Spirituality & Encounter
- ◆ Fellowship, Celebration, Worship

MAKE YOURSELVES AT HOME

WITH US

*"Come away to a deserted place
and rest for a while ..."*

(Mark 6:31)

Moral Loneliness – The Congenital Ache of a Soulmate

Public lecture July 11, 7:00pm



Celebrating the Year of Mercy – From Paranoia to Metanoia Continues July 12-14

Fr. Ron Rolheiser OMI

Queen's House Retreat & Renewal Centre

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A Home Away from Home

**Moral Loneliness –
The Congenital Ache of a Soulmate
Public Lecture - Monday July 11, 7pm**

Within each of us, at that place where all that is most precious within us takes its root and where there is a dark memory of having once been touched, caressed, loved, and valued in a way that is beyond anything we have ever consciously experienced. In fact, all the goodness, love, value, and tenderness we experience in life fall short precisely because we already know something deeper. It is in that place that we long for a kindred spirit, a soulmate, for someone to sleep with morally. It is in that place where we are most alone, unanimity-minus-one, and where we suffer moral loneliness. What is moral loneliness? What is its meaning? What are we meant to do about it?

**Celebrating the Year of Mercy –
From Paranoia to Metanoia
Tuesday July 12 - Thursday July 14**

Pope Francis has declared this a year of mercy. What is mercy? How do we live more merciful lives and how do we put a more merciful face on God and religion? How do we journey, in both our humanity and our discipleship, from paranoia to metanoia, from having clenched fists to having open hands, from being judgmental to being forgiving, from living out of our wounds to living out of grace, and from putting a petty face on God and religion to radiating the inexhaustible wellsprings of mercy?

**Moral Loneliness: Monday Evening
Mercy: Tuesday through Thursday**

Monday only: Supper (\$15) +/- Lecture (\$15)

Full conference options:

\$200 commuter (Both presentations, Monday supper, all lunches)

\$260 commuter plus (Both presentations and all meals)

\$400 live-in (Both presentations, all meals and accommodations)

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Monday

5:30 pm Supper (for all participants)
7:00 – 9:00 pm Welcome and Public Lecture

Tuesday

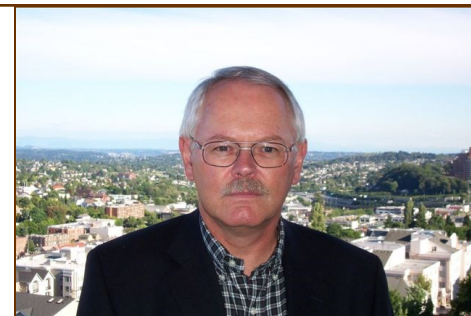
8:00 am Breakfast (live in & commuter+)
9:00 Morning Prayer
9:30 – 11:30 Session 1
12:00 pm Lunch (for all participants)
2:00 – 4:00 Session 2
4:15 Eucharist
5:30 Supper (live in & commuter+)
Barry Luft Concert

Wednesday

8:00 am Breakfast (live in & commuter+)
9:00 Morning Prayer
9:30 – 11:30 Session 3
12:00 pm Lunch (for all participants)
2:00 – 4:00 Session 4
4:30 Eucharist
5:30 Supper (live in & commuter+)
Free evening

Thursday

8:00 am Breakfast (live in & commuter+)
9:00 – 10:30 Session 5
11:00 Eucharist
12:00 pm Lunch (for all participants)
Departure



Ron Rolheiser was born in Macklin, Saskatchewan and was raised in a large family on a farm near Cactus Lake SK. Following his school years, Ron entered the novitiate of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate and was ordained to the priesthood in 1972, Ron continued his education, receiving a B.A., B.Th., M.A., M.R.Sc. and Ph.D./STD. During and after his own studies, he taught theology and philosophy at Newman Theological College, in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. In 1982, while living and studying in Belgium, Fr. Ron began to write a regular feature column. 32 years later, the popular column is carried by almost 100 newspapers worldwide and has published 11 books.

Fr. Ron is in demand and well known as speaker. Keeping an active speaking schedule, his retreats and workshops have inspired many. Along with his academic knowledge in systematic theology and philosophy, he has become a popular speaker in the areas of contemporary spirituality and religion and the secular world. Oblate Communications has produced 14 DVDs of his retreats that are well loved for both individual and group use.

In 1991, while on sabbatical, Fr. Ron was asked by his religious community to serve as the Provincial Superior. In August 2005, Fr. Ron became the President of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio Texas, a position he maintains to this day. Fr. Ron is also known for his commitment to prayer and exercise, a continuing love of sports, his sense of humor, his loyalty to his friends, and the enjoyment of the odd cigar and fine scotch.