



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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To register please call **306-242-1916** or email: receptionist@queenshouse.org

For details on all programs:
www.queenshouse.org

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)

The Action of Grace

Saturday Mornings:

October 14 and 28

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



Peter Oliver

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A Home Away from Home

The Action of Grace

The focus of these workshops is the action of grace in our human (not infrequently humorous) encounter with injustice, suffering and death. Prose and poetry will aid our exploration.

In particular, the fiction and life of Flannery O'Connor will have pride of place. Frank reflection concerning the experience of grace and our reticence to welcome it will be included in the content.



All my stories are about the action of grace on a character who is not very willing to support it, but most people think of these stories as hard, hopeless and brutal.

— Flannery O'Connor —

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Cost: \$25 for this
two workshop series.

Add lunch for an additional
\$13 per session.

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As we need a minimum number of registrants to offer this program please register if you plan on attending. If you are a last-minute participant please call Queen's House to confirm that the program is being offered.



Peter Oliver is the eldest son of a nurse and a farmer, the husband of Madeline, the father of Theodore, Louis and Vincent. At the moment, he is an unemployed poet; previous to that he

spent 12 years working as a chaplain in the federal and provincial correctional systems. Most recently, he has become an unexpected member of the community of cancer survivors.

He is a graduate of the Masters of Divinity program at Newman Theological college and spent a number of years journeying with the Oblates of Mary Immaculate in formation for the priesthood.

He says of his home, "Our days are spent in the company of poets, musicians, artists, mad scientists and ministers. We are a creative lot, merry much of the time, cantankerous some of the time and not much good at getting the dishes done almost all of the time."

Please join us as we muse a little, ponder a bit, evoke unequivocally and have a some fun exploring the unpredictable Action of Grace in our lives.