SAVE THE DATE!

Friday June 4 & Saturday June 5

Two days to learn more about a new two-year program that will be launched in September 2021!

A Gathering in June on Zoom - to register or learn more visit:

Growing in Wisdom: Seeking Deeper Generativity (retreatportal.com)

GROWING IN WISDOM: SEEKING DEEPER GENERATIVITY

TWO YEARS OF LEARNING AND EXPLORING FOR THOSE SEEKING A SPIRITUALITY FOR THEIR WISDOM YEARS

Today's newly retired and maturing elders are slowly coming to terms with developments in health care which allow people to live much longer past their point of career retirement. This has left many wondering about the purpose of these final years of our lives. We suffer from a lack of informed spirituality for our senior years. Often our religious institutions are better equipped in supporting 'first half of life' issues than addressing the issues, questions, concerns, and longings of those who are 60+ and are asking, 'What is next? How do I live into these years in a fruitful, meaningful and thoughtful way?' In addition, we may become aware as we age that society glamorizes youth, leaving many with the feeling that their useful years are behind them. In this youth-focused society, aging, illness, and death have become taboo subjects, leaving many having a sense that the only option in preparing for one's death is by keeping busy or ignoring death altogether.

Yet, aging can be a time of rich growth. This is a time in which we can begin to look back on the life we have lived and find openness to new or previously undeveloped inner vistas. It is a time to begin to come to terms with our own mortality and the grace we find in facing this time in our lives with wisdom and satisfaction.

Growing in Wisdom: Seeking Deeper Generativity - a two-year program beginning in September 2021 - provides us with an opportunity to be deeply present to our own aging process, allowing us to receive its unique gifts.

This new program, collaboratively offered by several retreat centres, is inspired by and draws from various resources developed by the Forest Dwelling Program at Oblate School of Theology, San Antonio, TX.

Interested in learning more about this new program? Join us on June 4 & 5 to hear from keynote speakers Fr. Ron Rolheiser OMI, The Rev. Mary Earle, Dr. Maggie Meigs, the Growing in Wisdom program coordination team and past graduates of the Forest Dwelling Program, OST. Come to be inspired as you consider how you are being called to savour, appreciate and learn...and explore what it could mean to be a "wise elder" as you seek to grow in wisdom and deepening generativity.

Friday June 4 and Saturday June 5 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. CST/MDT (SK/AB)* *please confirm start and end times in your own time zone.

\$25.00/person for this two-day event

If you are registering as a couple, please register with your own individual email addresses, if possible.

To register, visit: Growing in Wisdom: Seeking Deeper Generativity (retreatportal.com)

Payments can be made on-line.

To register and pay by cheque, or for online registration assistance, contact Sarah Donnelly, Queen's House Retreat & Renewal Centre, 306-242-1916 x226, programming@queenshouse.org

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