



46th Annual Assembly Of the Religious Brothers Conference

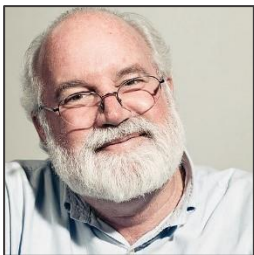
July 17 – 20, 2017

Mater Dolorosa Passionist Retreat Center
Sierra Madre, CA

Brothers: Ministers at the Margins



Assembly Program



Fr. Greg Boyle, SJ

Keynote Presenter: *Ministry at the Margins*

A native of Los Angeles, Father Boyle entered the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) in 1972 and was ordained a Catholic priest in 1984. Fr. Greg is perhaps best known for his work with Homeboy Industries, a nonprofit in Los Angeles which employs and trains former gang members in a range of social enterprises, as well as provides critical services to over 10,000 men and women who walk through its doors every year seeking a better life.

Darleen Pryds, PhD

Guest Presenter:

Real Presence, Real Play. Play as a Form of Centering Prayer

Darleen Pryds, Ph.D., is professor of Spirituality and History at the Franciscan School of Theology (Oceanside, CA). Her research focuses on lay Franciscan history. She has published widely on the subject. Her publications include *Women of the Streets: Early Franciscan Women and their Mendicant Vocations* (2010) and two filmed lecture series with Now You Know Media, *The Spirituality of Dying and Death* (2015) and *Exploring Lay Spiritual Practices* (2016).



Venue

Mater Dolorosa Passionist Retreat Center

Located on the edge of Angeles National Forest and the San Gabriel Mountains, Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center is approximately 40 miles from LAX International Airport.

An Evening in Los Angeles

Join the Brothers of the RBC as we take an afternoon and evening sightseeing trip into Los Angeles. Our itinerary includes a tour of Our Lady of the Angels Cathedral and a driving tour of Beverly Hills & Hollywood. We will then visit the famous LA Original Farmer's Market for dinner on our own. Additional dining and shopping options are available at the Grove Mall, next door to the Farmer's Market.



Registration Information

- **Registration Fee: \$675.00**
Includes single room w/ private bath, meals, snacks, beverages, and banquet.
- **Optional Field Trip: \$35.00**
- **Registration will begin on March 1.** All registrations will be handled by NIX Conference and Meeting Management, via phone or online. A contact phone number and link to our registration website will be emailed and posted on March 1.

Assembly Schedule

Monday PM

1:00 PM	Arrival and check in
5:00 PM	Introductions & opening remarks
5:30 PM	Supper
6:15 PM	Introductions (continued)
7:00 PM	<i>Evening Prayer</i>

Tuesday AM

8:00 AM	Breakfast
9:00 AM	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
9:30 AM	Keynote Session 1
10:15 AM	Break
10:30 AM	Keynote Session 2
11:15 AM	Response Session

Tuesday PM

12:00 PM	Lunch
2:00 PM	Bus Trip into Los Angeles
5:30 PM	Supper for those not taking bus trip
7:00 PM	Recreation for those not taking bus trip
9:00 PM	Bus returns

Wednesday AM

8:00 AM	Breakfast
9:00 AM	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
9:30 AM	Keynote 3
10:15 AM	Break
10:30 AM	Keynote 4
11:15 AM	Response Session

Wednesday PM

12:00 PM	Lunch
2:30 PM	Member Business Meeting
4:00 PM	Break
5:00 PM	Liturgy
6:00 PM	Social
6:30 PM	Annual Banquet

Thursday AM

8:00 AM	Breakfast
9:00 AM	Session 5
9:45 AM	Break
10:00 AM	Feedback Session
11:00 AM	<i>Closing Prayer</i>
12:00 PM	Lunch & Departure

Additional Information

Transportation

Those flying into the assembly are encouraged to use LAX International Airport. The airport is approximately 40 miles from the retreat center. Two options are available for those traveling from/to the airport.

1. **Public Transit:** Upon arriving at LAX, take the Flyaway Bus <http://www.lawa.org/flyaway> (\$9.75 beginning 1/1/17) to Union Station and then take the Gold Metro line to the Sierra Madre Villa Station. Upon arrival at the Sierra Madre Villa Station, request an Uber/Lyft or call the RBC for a ride to the retreat center (2 miles away). The one way fare is \$1.75 and includes free transfers to other Metro Rail lines for up to two hours on a one-way trip. Seniors and disabled travelers pay only \$0.75 per ride.)
2. **Shuttle Service:** The staff at Sierra Madre has recommended Prime Time Shuttle. For one way service, the cost is \$31.45 + gratuity. Roundtrip is 62.90 + gratuity. For those who prefer shuttle service, the RBC will assist with coordinating shuttle rides. Upon registering for the assembly, we will contact you via email with additional details.

If you require additional transportation or assistance, please email or call the office.

Bus Trip to Los Angeles

Participants who want to take the bus into LA will need to select this option on their registration. The trip costs \$35.00 per person, and does not include your dinner. The bus will leave the retreat center at 1:00 PM on Tuesday and we will visit Our Lady of the Angels Cathedral, Hollywood, and other locations near a variety of restaurants and shops.

Early Arrivals/Late Departures

A limited number of rooms will be available at the retreat center for those who wish to arrive early or stay late. Early arrivals and late departures will incur additional registration fee of 100.00 per night. Please select this option during your registration.