

The Roots of Christian Mysticism

*“The eye with which I see God and the eye with which
God sees me are one and the same eye”*

Meister Eckhart



- January 18, **“Biblical Mysticism, Christian Mysticism, and Paul, the Apostle to the Gentiles.”** Is Paul a mystic? How is this so? Paul was a person of many journeys; how does this affect his “inner journey” and relation to God? **Sister Helen Hassler, OSF** is a Franciscan Sister from Minnesota. Her educational preparation includes, BSN, MRS (biblical studies and spirituality) STM and certification as a Pastoral Counselor.
- January 25, **“South American Women of Prayer.”** The presentation will explore the lives and environment of three notable women of prayer from South America: St. Rose of Lima, St. Teresa of the Andes, and Sor Juana of Mexico. **Kathy Hibbets**, is a teacher and student of mystical theology and the lives and messages of mystics. She is well-versed through her studies and travels.
- February 1, **“Saint Brigid”**, was a 5th century Irish saint baptized by St. Patrick. As a patron saint of Ireland along with St. Patrick she was a founder of a double monastery in Kildare where she oversaw both a men’s and women’s community. Learn about her *cross*, her *flame*, her *well* and the contemporary Brigantine sisters of Kildare as we celebrate her feast today! **Elizabeth Ursic**, is a professor of Religious Studies at Mesa Community College, and a candidate in the PhD program at ASU. She holds a M.Div. from Yale Divinity School.
- February 8, **“Julian of Norwich”**, One of the great theologians of the 14th century, a feminine mystical voice, Julian brings us joy (“All will be well. . .”) and hope as she teaches the revelations granted to her *Showings*. **Adriana Cavina**, MDiv, D.Min. Clinical Director of Education for the Chaplaincy Program at Banner Health Good Samaritan Hospital, is a spiritual director and teacher of world religions and mystical theology.
- February 15, **“The History and Promise of Lent”**, the period Christian churches set aside to commemorate the forty days of Jesus in the wilderness. How do modern Christians celebrate the practice of Lent? What does it hold for conversion and renewal? **William Failla, CSC**. Father Bill holds advanced degrees in education, pastoral counseling, and theology and is currently working on a Doctor of Psychology degree.
- February 22, **“The Gospel of John”**, in the hand-illuminated video of the Bible reveals the beauty and the splendor of the Word of God. **Larry Fraher**, holds a BA and an MA in systematic theology from St. John’s University in Minnesota. He currently is the Director of Catechetical Ministries at Blessed Sacrament Parish and has held previous diocesan positions with Kino Institute and as Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries.

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Monday evenings. 5:30pm Meditation
January 18 – February 22, 2010
6:00 Soup and Bread, 7:00 – 8:30pm Talk
Cost: \$100 for series
\$25.00 at the door

(Please do not let money keep you away!)

