

St. Ann's Catholic Church – La Vernia, TX

9th Annual Women's FIAT Retreat

Dedicated to

“Immaculate Heart of Mary”

Saturday, December 7, 2019

Check-In 8:30 am to 9:00 am

Retreat 9:00 am to 4:00 pm (Goertz Hall)



The Immaculate Heart of Mary is a special devotion to the physical heart of Mary. It is Mary's love for God, Her love of her Son, and Her love for all people that draws us to want to study and imitate Her. During the 12th century, writers such as St. Anselm and St. Bernard of Clairvaux had great influence on this Marian devotion. The church uses the lessons of St. Bernadine of Siena, Doctor of the Heart of Mary, for her feast. St. John Eudes (1601-1680) renewed this devotion and made it public. At Fatima, one of the apparitions Mary told the children was to establish devotion to Her Immaculate Heart. We honor Mary with this Feast on the Saturday after the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, 19 days after Pentecost.

As we prepare for the coming of Christmas, we have to prepare our souls for Jesus the Christ Child coming into our hearts and minds. During the Advent Season and through this FIAT Retreat, women come together to hear the messages of our Mother Mary.

Join us and invite other women to come together on Saturday, December 7, 2019 as we spend time together listening to our speakers. We will also spend time listening, talking, meditating, praying, singing, laughing, sharing and eating.

The St. Ann's FIAT retreat is **free of charge**. Coffee, tea and water are provided as well as paper goods. During the retreat, a continental breakfast, snacks and light lunch are served (see bottom of this page). (Note that following the retreat, Confessions are available beginning at 4:30 PM in the church chapel and the Rosary will begin at 5:00 PM prior to the regular Saturday Mass at 5:30 PM.)

Please complete the registration form below and return to the church office at St. Ann's Catholic Church by mail, **FIAT RETREAT**, 14151 Hwy 87 West, La Vernia, TX 78121, Phone 830-779-3131. **You can also call in your registration information to Mary M. Mainz (Home # 830/253-8905) or email the information to marymainz@gmail.com**
(If your information is the same as in 2018 and you plan to attend in 2019, email Mary)

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Registration Form

All information is private and will only be used to correspond with you regarding this and future FIAT retreats. (Keep a copy for your records.)

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

PARISH NAME & CITY _____

Land Line: (Area Code and Number) _____

Cell (Area Code and Number) : _____

EMAIL Address: _____

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY: Name of Person to contact in case of emergency:
(Please indicate relationship please, i.e. husband, daughter...)

Name _____

Phone number of Emergency Contact _____
(Indicate if Land Line or Cell & include area code & number)

We welcome food items such as: sandwiches, soups, chips, crackers, fruit, veggies, breakfast breads, pastries, cookies and other snacks. If you would like to bring an item, please contact Mary M. Mainz at 830-253-8905 or email marymainz@gmail.com for information. Note, beverages and paper goods provided.



Be sure to bring your Rosary with you to this year's FIAT Retreat.