They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life; to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles.

All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need.

Each day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes.

They ate their meals in exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people.

And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47

# DIRECTIONS TO CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

From Rt 8: Coming from the North: Take Route 8 South to Exit 22, take ramp right for CT 67 toward Bank St/Seymour.
Continue straight on Route 67 and turn onto CT 115/Main Street. Follow CT 115 this will turn into South Main St. and then North Main Street in Ansonia. Take left onto 4th Street and then take your first right on North Cliff Street. Assumption Church will be on the right.

From Rt 8: Coming from the South: Take Rt 8 North to Exit 16, ramp right for 334 /Pershing Drive. Continue straight on Pershing Drive and take a 2<sup>nd</sup> right just after the 4th traffic light onto Olsen Drive. Turn right onto Maple Street Bridge. At the traffic turn left onto Route 115 (Main Street Ansonia) Turn Left at next traffic light onto North Main Street. At your next traffic light, turn right onto 4th street, take your next right onto North Cliff Street. Assumption Church will be on your right.

# **SPONSOR**

Church of the Assumption 61 North Cliff Street Ansonia, CT 06401

## **LOCATION**

Our Lady Of Calvary Retreat Center 31 Colton St. Farmington, CT 06032 CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT APRIL 11-14, 2024



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**Adoration** – God's CALL, your ACCEPTANCE OF, AND RESPONSE TO GOD.

**COMMUNITY** – LOVE AND CARING FOR EACH OTHER.

**THEOLOGY** – STUDYING GOD THROUGH SCRIPTURE AND OUR CATHOLIC FAITH.

**SERVICE** – TO GOD AND HIS PEOPLE.

#### What is it?

An ACTS retreat is a three-day, threenight Catholic lay retreat presented by women who have attended prior ACTS retreats, under the auidance of a Catholic Guide. Retreat activities focus on Adoration. Community, Theology and Service. Scripture and the teachings of the Catholic Church are the guides. The goals are to renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your faith and its application in your daily life, and to create lasting and supporting friendships. This is done via a positive, lively and interactive manner. Participants return to their parish faith communities with a deeper love for each other and a desire to become more involved.

#### **Past Reactions:**

"I was at a low time in my life and I made a decision that if one of my friends mentioned the retreat I would go with her. I was glad I did. Not only was it amazing, fun and prayerful, I came home with a multitude of friends that I now call my sisters in Christ. My family multiplies tenfold with each retreat. Blessings abound all weekend long." ---Kim

"I attended my first retreat in June of 2017, and I am so glad I did. I experienced so many beautiful and blessed moments on my retreat. These moments were filled with love and spirituality. It allowed time for me to develop a deeper and more intimate relationship with God. I realized during this weekend that I was not alone with my difficulties and struggles. I came home from that weekend just filled with the Holy Spirit! I gained a renewed and deeper relationship with God and made many wonderful friendships with other women. It changed my life." ---Betty

"October of 2022, I went on my first retreat. I am so grateful that someone suggested I go on the retreat. I had no idea what to expect. What I experienced that first retreat weekend was the beginning of a transformation of my faith life. It created in me a much deeper passion for continued growth in my relationship with God on a daily basis. I have now been on three ACTS retreats. I have met so many beautiful women on each retreat who I now share a special connection with, we are ACTS sisters and friends."

### **Interested In Attending?**

The retreat begins Thursday evening, April 11, with a 5:30 p.m. check-in at Assumption Church at 61 North Cliff St., Ansonia. Participants will then be transported to Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center, 31 Colton Street, Farmington, CT for the remainder of the retreat. The retreat will end on Sunday, April 14, with a 10:30 a.m. Mass and reception at the Assumption Church. Transportation to and from Retreat Center will be provided.

The cost for the retreat is \$330. For first time retreatants the cost is \$230. If you are a registered parishioner of Assumption or Holy Rosary Church, you will receive an additional subsidy making your total cost \$200. A deposit of one half of the retreat cost made payable to Assumption Church, submitted with the enclosed form, will reserve your place. The remaining balance will be due at the Thursday evening check-in. You will receive a letter within two weeks of the retreat describing the necessities you should bring.

Please Note: Financial difficulties should not prevent anyone from attending the retreat. A limited amount of assistance is available based on your need. If you have financial concerns, please call and discuss them with one of the directors listed below.

For further information contact:

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