

*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 – ST. PATRICK  
CHURCH, 47 WEST HIGH ST  
EAST HAMPTON, CT**

**From Points North:**

Take CT-2E toward Norwich. Take Exit 13 to merge onto CT-66 W/E Hampton Rd toward Marlborough. Continue on CT-66 W for 5.1 miles and turn left onto Maple Street. The church parking lot is off Maple Street on your left.

**From Points South:**

Take CT-2 W to Colchester. Take Exit 18 from CT-2 W and make a left onto CT-16W. Continue on CT-16W for 9.2 miles. Turn right onto Main Street. Turn left onto Barton Hill Rd. Turn right onto Maple St. The church parking lot is off Maple Street on your right.

**SPONSOR**

**Saint John Paul II Parish  
47 West High Street  
East Hampton, CT 06424**

**LOCATION**

**Immaculate Conception Retreat  
Center  
600 Liberty Highway  
Putnam CT 06260**

**ST. JOHN PAUL II PARISH  
GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH  
WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT  
MAY 2 – 5, 2024**



**A**doration

**C**ommunity

**T**heology

**S**ervice

**[www.actsct.org](http://www.actsct.org)**

**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, three-night Catholic lay retreat presented by women who have attended prior ACTS retreats, under the guidance 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

"In 2016, God gave me the nudge I needed through a friend from church, who personally asked me to attend the upcoming ACTS Retreat. This amazing faith filled retreat, being embraced with the love and support of my ACTS sisters, was a life changing experience for me. By saying yes, I have deepened my faith and strengthened my personal relationship with Jesus. Since my first retreat, I can see God working in my life in many ways and am blessed and thankful to be a part of the ACTS community." Jeanette G.

"I attended an ACTS Retreat several years ago. It was a wonderful, faith-filled experience. I learned so very much and made lifelong friends. It's an experience every woman would love and benefit from." Kathy S.

"I always had an excuse about why I could not make an ACTS Retreat, either family or work commitments. However, one year I felt the desire to see what an ACTS Retreat was all about, and I was not disappointed. The Retreat is a faith-filled weekend with time set aside to spend with God and with women in our parish community. It has brought me unlimited blessings as I move forward in my faith journey." Sharon M.

### Interested In Attending?

The retreat begins Thursday evening, May 2, 2024, with a 5:00 pm check-in at Saint Patrick Church at 47 West High Street, East Hampton, CT 06424. Participants will then be transported to Immaculate Conception Retreat Center for the remainder of the retreat. The retreat will end on Sunday, May 5, 2024, with a 10:00 AM Mass and reception at the Church. Transportation to and from Retreat Center will be provided. The cost for the retreat is \$294.00. A deposit of \$147.00, made payable to Saint John Paul II Parish, 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 the directors listed below.

#### For further information contact

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