Directions to the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, 74 W Main St, Waterbury, CT

Westbound, from Hartford/ I-84:

Take Exit 21 off of Route 84 West.

Turn right onto Field St at bottom of ramp.

Proceed straight across intersection with

Grand St onto Leavenworth St.

At end of Leavenworth St, take left onto

W Main Street. The church will be across
the Waterbury Green from your location.

Park on the street in front of the church or
in the lot located behind the church.

Eastbound, from Waterbury/ I-84:

Take exit 22 off of Route 84 East toward Baldwin Street & Downtown/Waterbury/UConn Campus. Merge onto Market Square. Turn left onto S Main St. Turn left onto W Main St. Park on the street in front of the church or in the lot located behind the church.

SPONSOR

Immaculate Conception Parish 74 W. Main Street Waterbury, CT 06702

LOCATION

Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center 31 Colton St. Farmington, CT 06032 MEN'S ACTS RETREAT WEEKEND

May 1^{st} - 4^{th} , 2025

Immaculate Conception Parish



Adoration

 C_{ommunity}

Theology

Service

www.actsct.org

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain"

- Rev 5:12

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 men who have attended prior ACTS retreats, under the guidance of clergy. 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, 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

"My ACTS experience reawakened a Catholic faith that had been pushed aside for a good number of years. The demands of daily life left little time to take care of my own spiritual house. A weekend spent with other men in worship, reflection & conversation, sharing the same challenges, supported me in re-centering my life towards Christ in service to my family, community and parish." --- Ken

"To think there were so many men – family men like myself – who were involved in the church because they wanted to be – and who cared solely about strengthening my faith journey with Jesus is something that remains with me. Those men and their devotion to God reminded me in the most powerful way to be a better father, husband, Christian for which Iw id eband family are grateful. Best of all though, I have come to know Jesus better and that is the most important relationship of all."

--- John

My ACTS retreat was an amazing wave of emotions. I had reached a point in my life where I went to Church but didn't express my faith in many other ways. At the end of the weekend, I came away with many positive things including a much better understanding of how much Jesus loves us and how our sins are forgiven through the sacrament of Reconciliation. I formed bonds of friendship with men that aren't afraid to talk about their Catholic faith with others. --- Joe

Interested in Attending?

The retreat begins Thursday evening, May 1st, 2025 with 5:30pm check-in at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Waterbury. Participants are transported to Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center, Farmington, CT for the remainder of the retreat. The retreat will end on Sunday, May 4th, 2025, with a 12:00pm Mass and reception at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Waterbury. Transportation to and from the retreat center is provided.

The cost for the retreat is \$250. To reserve your place a deposit check of \$125 made payable to "Immaculate Conception Parish – Men's ACTS" should be mailed with the enclosed form to:

Immaculate Conception Parish Men's ACTS Retreat 74 W. Main Street Waterbury, CT 06702

The remaining balance will be due at the Thursday evening check-in. You will receive a letter prior to the retreat describing the necessities to bring. *Please note that 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 one of the directors listed below.

For info call or text:

Tim Ryor, Retreat Director Ph: (860) 372-2727

Paulo Abrantes, Retreat Co-Director

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