

Past Reactions

"I am so thankful for the ACTS community. Like most retreats, I did not know what to expect. I was pleasantly surprised by the experience that brought me closer to God and closer to my community through my ACTS sisters. You will come out of the retreat spiritually full."

Robyn

"I wasn't expecting the powerful weekend that I experienced. Some of the presentations took my breath away. These women were a great witness to the love and grandeur of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. I came away stronger in my Catholic faith, wanting to serve more in Church and in my community."

Carolyn

"Attending my first ACTS retreat was probably the most impactful religious experience of my adult life as a Catholic woman .. I didn't know what to expect for a retreat this long, and this made me feel very anxious, but that feeling very quickly melted away. Finding women like me who were seeking a deeper relationship with the Lord or looking for others to pray with was what I found. I'm so grateful that I listened for the Holy Spirit's call and answered with 'yes'."

Jane

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St. Agnes, Niantic
St. Matthias, East Lyme

St. Agnes Church
22 Haigh Ave.
Niantic, CT

RETREAT LOCATION

St. Edmund's Retreat Center
Enders Island
Mystic, CT 06355
(860) 536-0565

**ST. JOHN XXIII
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

**WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT
SEPT. 24-27, 2026
ENDERS ISLAND**



Adoration

Community

Theology

Service



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.

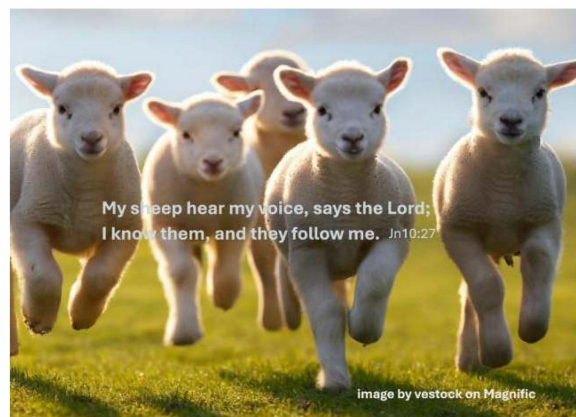
SERVICE – To God and His people.

What is an ACTS retreat?

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 **A**doration, **C**ommunity, **T**heology and **S**ervice. 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. Participants return to their parish faith communities with a deeper love for each other and a desire to become more involved. The retreat is open to women of all faiths.

Our Retreat Theme



Interested In Attending?

The retreat begins Thursday evening, Sept. 24th with a 5:30 PM check-In at St Agnes Church. The retreat ends on Sunday, Sept. 27th at the 11:00 AM Mass and reception at St. Agnes Church. Transportation to and from St. Edmund's Retreat Center at Enders Island is provided.

The retreat fee is \$300. A deposit of \$150, made payable to **St. Agnes Church** submitted with your form, reserves your place. The remaining balance is due at the Thursday evening check-in. You will receive a letter within two weeks of the retreat describing the necessities you should bring. (The cost is subsidized by ACTS NL)

Please don't let any financial difficulties prevent you from attending the retreat. Assistance is available based on your need. If you have financial concerns, please call and discuss them with the director.

Registration forms can also be found at www.actsct.org/womens-schedule

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