

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

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**Immaculate Conception Parish
74 West Main Street
Waterbury, CT 06702**

LOCATION

**GRAYMOOR
HOLY MOUNTAIN FRANCISCAN
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40 FRANCISCAN WAY
GARRISON, NY 10524**

**IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION PARISH
WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT
OCTOBER 15-18, 2026**



Adoration

Community

Theology

Service

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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, 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

"I had put off going on an ACTS Retreat for some time, always having an excuse. Finally I agreed to attend and I am so glad I said yes. It was the best thing I had done for myself in a long time. The retreat was truly a faith filled experience with the Holy Spirit guiding the entire weekend. I received so much love and peace and learned so much from all the wonderful women that I met. I gained a deeper relationship with the Lord, and a wonderful support system within my parish community." Karen B.

"When the opportunity to attend a women's ACTS retreat, I made it a priority. I went on the retreat with an open heart and an open mind. This retreat brought me closer to God than I had ever been before. I felt the presence of the Holy Spirit. I found new joy in everything I did by sharing the love of God with others especially my family." Rosa W

"The ACTS retreat I attended had a profound effect on my spiritual life. The retreat was a faith filled weekend that inspired me to become closer to God. Since the retreat I've noticed God working in my life more than I ever did before. The love and joy that fills one's heart doesn't end on the Sunday of the retreat but continues. The women one meets remain sisters forever. It's a wonderful experience that all women seeking a closer relationship with God should attend." Cathy H

Interested In Attending?

The retreat begins Thursday evening, October 15th, with a 4:45 pm check-in at The Basilica of the Immaculate Conception Church, Grand Hall, at 74 West Main Street Waterbury, CT. Participants will then be transported to Graymoor, Holy Mountain Franciscan Retreat Center 40 Franciscan Way Garrison, NY for the remainder of the retreat. The retreat will end on Sunday, October 18th with a 12:00 PM Mass and reception at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception. Transportation to and from Retreat Center will be provided.

The cost for the retreat is \$340. For first time retreatants is \$240, if you are a registered parishioner of the Immaculate Conception Parish you will receive a \$100 subsidy. A deposit of \$170, made payable to Immaculate Conception 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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