

Suggested Pulpit Announcement

Good Morning! I am _____, our parish's retreat captain, representing Holy Name Passionist Retreat Center. I'd like to offer an invitation to the parish:

Holy Name Retreat Center offers retreats for both men and women. Today I am extending a special invitation to the men of the parish of our annual retreat, the weekend of _____. The retreats are led by the Passionists Fathers and their team – who have been leading retreats and parish missions for 300 years throughout the world. The facility has 79 private rooms. Come enjoy the delicious food, newly renovated library, peaceful chapel, gift shop and the beautiful grounds which includes prayer gardens and the outdoor Way of the Cross on 10 acres in Bunker Hill Village.

This year's retreat theme is:

PORTRAIT OF CHRIST: ENCOUNTERING THE TRUTH

The retreat is an opportunity for you to step aside from life's daily activities, and step into some needed reflection, rest, quiet and spiritual sharing – to witness for yourself the place “where miracles happen”, which is often said of the retreat. From a personal experience, I need a spiritual weekend like this annually, and make it a priority on my calendar. Come see for yourself. Perhaps you know a friend or family member who would be interested.

I will be outside the Church after today's Mass. I would like to tell you more about the retreat, so please see me for additional information – and a reservation envelope! (Please watch the bulletins for a bulletin announcement). We hope to make this a successful weekend for our parish. A retreat weekend is too good for anyone to miss!

Thank you for your attention and I am hoping to see you at Holy Name Passionist Retreat Center on _____.