



St. Francis Institute Milwaukee Franciscan Fall Series

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All presentations are 9:00 am-12:00 pm Donations accepted

**Spirituality of Franciscan Places:
Mysticism of the Historical Event**
Roch Niemeier, OFM
September 18



Francis's Contribution to the Mysticism of the Historical Event: Basis for Spirituality of Franciscan Places. We will discuss the places of Francis and Clare to exemplify Franciscan Places and Spirituality and explore in depth three or four places with specific themes of spirituality that surfaced at these places during historical moments in the lives of Francis and Clare.

*About the facilitator: Roch Niemeier has been a Franciscan since 1956. He has served as a pilgrimage ministry for 35 years and director 1981-2005. He has served as Provincial Spiritual Assistant SFO and lecturer. He has authored two books: **In the Footsteps of Francis and Clare, and Franciscan Life 800 years.***

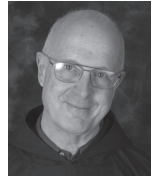
Praying with the Saints
Joanne Schatzlein, OSF
October 23



November 1 is the Feast of All Saints. In anticipation of this feast, Sr. Joanne will introduce the audience to some special Franciscan Saints, particularly those less well known. These men and women who followed Francis and Clare during challenging times never lost sight of the fundamental values reaching out to the poor, seeing God in all creatures and through a life of simplicity finding a balance between contemplation and ministry. These next generations of "Saints" become a litany of inspiration for us as we bear witness to the legacy of Francis and Clare of Assisi in our own times.

About the facilitator: Joanne Schatzlein, OSF, a Sister of St. Francis of Assisi, has an MA in Franciscan Studies; she enlightens others about our vibrant Franciscan heritage through lectures, pilgrimages and publications.

Franciscan Authority and Freedom
Daniel Crosby, OFM Cap
November 13



We live in a country and church that's often polarized: an "either-or" mentality. This destructive mentality creeps into us, too. What can we do about this? Become more deeply rooted in our Franciscan tradition! Francis' mentality was never "either-or." Following Jesus, God-in-the-flesh, he lived out a "both-and" spirituality: freedom AND obedience, individuality AND community, poverty AND extravagance, etc. How did he do it? How can we?

About the facilitator: Dan Crosby is presently director of St. Anthony Spirituality Center in Marathon. He continues to find ways of sharing Francis' understanding of the Gospel life at the Center and elsewhere.