

Christ our morning star



The Art and Inspiration of Sieger Köder
Magdalen Lawler

Retreat in Malta
inspired by the art
of Sieger Köder
April 30th – May 5th 2017
with optional pilgrim-tour weekend
on 29th-30th April

Led by *Magdalen Lawler SND* and *Tom McGuinness SJ*, this 5-day retreat will draw on some of the beautiful and challenging paintings by the priest and artist Sieger Köder. The latter produced many evocative images that show Christ as a light at the centre of our lives, dispelling fear. Köder uses images from Scripture and daily life to show that we can find God in everything – if only we have eyes to see!

Magdalen and Tom have worked together over many years to offer retreats, weaving together scripture, art, poetry and song.

The retreat will be conducted in English and is open to all who would value a retreat on this historic island to reflect on the presence of God in their lives. It will be held in an atmosphere of quiet with some input to help personal prayer. There will be time to share and opportunities to meet individually with the Retreat Leaders.



Magdalen Lawler SND is a Sister of Notre Dame, living in London. She has taught art and religious studies and worked in retreats, spiritual direction and student chaplaincy. She has a special interest in women's spirituality and in the relationship between spirituality and the visual arts. Her most recent publications are *'Christ, Our Morning Star'*, *'Love Bade me Welcome'* and *'Show us the Father'*.

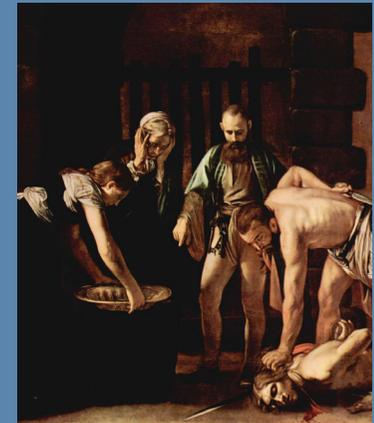


Tom McGuinness SJ is a former Director of St Beuno's Spirituality Centre and of The Ignatian Spirituality Centre in Glasgow. He is currently a member of the team at Manresa Jesuit Centre of Spirituality in Dublin. Tom has written poems and recorded many songs for prayer, some of which will be used in this retreat.

The retreat will be held at Mount Saint Joseph, a Jesuit Spirituality Centre in Malta. Surrounded by big gardens and stretches of rolling countryside, the Centre offers a haven of peace and quiet. The property is spacious and full of light; all bedrooms have a great view and include ensuite toilets and showers. <http://www.mtsjoseph.org/>



Prior to the retreat, there will be an optional pilgrimage around Malta. We will visit the oldest standing Neolithic temples, Saint John's Cathedral that houses a Caravaggio masterpiece, Mdina, the catacombs of Saint Paul and other places of spiritual significance.



IN BRIEF:

Retreat

30 Apr (7pm) to 5 May 2017 (3pm) i.e. 5 nights.
Price: Eur 60 per night on full board basis

Optional Pilgrimage

29 Apr (9am) to 30 Apr 2017 (3pm)
Price: Eur 150 (includes transport from Mount St Joseph Retreat House to places of interest, entrance tickets, professional guide, meals and accommodation from Sat 29th morning till Sunday 30th afternoon). Pilgrimage to be held if at least 10 participants apply. Participants may opt to arrive at Mount St Joseph Retreat House one or more days earlier (subject to availability)

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