

ANNUAL MMP RETREAT (OCEANIA) WITH BISHOP GIOVANNI D'ERCOLE

The ***Marian Movement of Priests (MMP)*** is pleased to advise that our Annual Oceania Retreat for 2023 will be held at the St Clement's (Redemptorist) Retreat Centre at GALONG NSW (near Yass) from **31 July - 4 August 2023** (inclusive).

The Retreat will be led by Bishop Giovanni D'Ercole, who was until recently a Bishop in the Diocese of Ascoli Piceno in Italy, and is now living in retirement in a Monastery in North Africa. Bishop D'Ercole has long been a leading figure in the MMP. The retreat is open to all Priests, Religious and Lay members. The retreat commences with lunch at 1.30 pm on Monday 31st July 2023 and concludes after lunch on Friday 4th August 2023. All necessary information will be provided to participants prior to the Retreat; the daily program will be provided on arrival.

A range of room-types are available. Rooms have single beds, or twin-single beds, or double or queen sized beds; a few (flats) also have a sofa for relaxation. All rooms have desks, and some form of heating. While most rooms access shared bathroom facilities, some have ensuites. Rooms that can accommodate two people will wherever possible be allocated to two people (to maximize the number of people who can attend). The cost of the retreat (including accommodation, linen, and all meals) varies with room-type (see overleaf); rooms with ensuites cost \$100 extra pp.

Transport to the Retreat Centre can be undertaken either:

- **by CAR** (1.5 hr from Canberra; 2.5 hr from Albury, Orange or Griffith; 3.5 hr from Sydney; 6 hr from Melbourne); or
- **by TRAIN** (the nearest railway station is Harden, 23 km from the Retreat Centre – train travelers will be met at the station); or
- **by BUS** (the MMP will arrange a coach from Sydney if sufficient people are interested).

Inquiries can be made by email (info@mmp-oceania.net) or post (PO 636 Castle Hill NSW 1765).

Registration must be made on the form overleaf. **Completed registration forms** should be scanned & emailed (info@mmp-oceania.net) OR posted (PO Box 636 Castle Hill NSW 1765). You are encouraged to register as soon as you can.

A deposit of **\$250 pp for the retreat** is payable at the time of registration, either:

- (i) by **bank transfer** to our St George Bank account (Account name: MMP; BSB: 112879; A/C: 041489990). If paying by bank transfer, please identify yourself in the reference section of the bank transfer notice, OR forward a copy of the bank transfer receipt to info@mmp-oceania.net, so we know who has paid; OR
- (ii) by **bank cheque** or **money order** or **personal cheque** made payable to the MMP & posted to PO Box 636 Castle Hill NSW 1765.

NOTE: Anyone who cancels their registration after 1 July 2023 will lose \$100 of their deposit; if booked to catch the bus, they will lose an extra \$50 of their deposit. Anyone who cancels their registration after 21st July 2023 will lose all their deposit.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR MMP RETREAT (31 July - 4 August 2023 inclusive)

Surname: First Name: Male / Female (please circle)

Address:

Telephone (mobile preferred): Email:

Room type*	Bathroom type	Cost	Available	Room choice
Single	Shared	\$650 pp	46	
Twin singles (2 people)	Ensuite	\$700 pp	12	
Double/Queen (2 people)	Ensuite	\$700 pp	7	
Flat (double+sofa) (2 people)	Ensuite	\$800 pp	4	

If the ensuite rooms are not fully booked by 1 July, a few ensuite rooms **may** become available for individuals (for extra \$100 pp), with priority given to those with the greatest need. Would you like to be on a waiting list for such a room? YES/NO (please circle)

If you have chosen a 'twin singles' room, whom do you want to share with?

Want to stay Sunday BEFORE Retreat (for extra cost)? If so, arriving when?

Want to stay Friday AFTER Retreat (for extra cost)?..... If so, departing when?

Transport - how do you intend to travel - **by CAR / by TRAIN / by BUS** (please circle)?

Would you like us to book you a seat on a **dedicated MMP BUS** departing from Strathfield Railway Station (return cost \$100 pp)? YES / NO (please circle)

Do you have any **special dietary** requirements?

Do you have any **mobility** issues (e.g. problems with stairs)?

Emergency contact (Name): (Phone):

PAYMENT of Deposit (\$250 pp) by:- Cheque / money order/bank transfer (please circle)

Amount paid

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Office use:

You may copy this form & invite Priests & friends