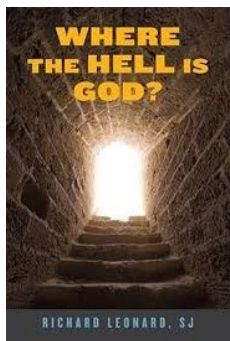




*Serving the Spiritual Needs of Grieving Parents
Whose Children of Any Age, Have Died by Any Cause,
No Matter How Long Ago*

**NEW!
Emmaus Ministry
Wednesday Virtual Gatherings**



Where is God in our pain and suffering?
... Right here beside us!

The question is not "*Why did Jesus die?*" The question is "*Why was Jesus killed?*"

Charley Monaghan's reflection, based on Fr. Richard Leonard's book, offered thought-provoking perspectives on suffering, death, and the loss of our children.

[SEE HIS REFLECTION HERE.](#)

**Please join us on
Wednesday April 29 at 8pm EDT for
Fr. Dennis Schuelkens' Reflection
Fr. Dennis has been an
Emmaus Ministry Spiritual Leader since 2013 when he offered the first
Emmaus Ministry retreat
outside of New England.**

**[Be sure to register here ahead of time
for your Zoom Meeting ID and Password.](#)**



"On Easter Sunday, together, we will celebrate not only the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, but also the resurrection of your child. All of your children are alive and well--and prospering."

April 8, 2020 at 8pm

Brother David Schlatter, OFM

Brother David Schlatter, OFM has served as a Catholic Chaplain at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center for many years, and resides in Silver Spring MD. He was our spiritual leader for our most recent retreat in Washington DC and gave a particularly poignant and moving reflection.

[SEE BRO. DAVID'S REFLECTION HERE.](#)



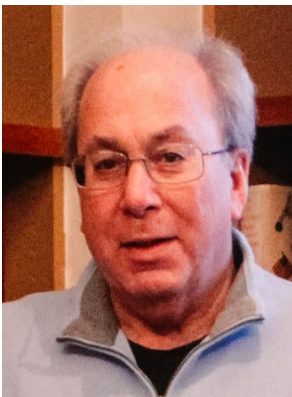
"God comes to us through the wounds, not in spite of them... Like Lazarus, we need to unbind each other... Today, the turn is ours."

April 15, 2020 at 8pm

Fr David Convertino, OFM

Fr. David is the Director of the Franciscan Office of Development of HNP and the Executive Director of the Franciscan Missionary Union, headquartered in New York City. Fr David previously served as Guardian of St Anthony Shrine in Boston, where he along with Bro. John Maganzini and Diane founded what has become the Emmaus Ministry. Fr. David was our original Spiritual Leader during the first years of the Emmaus Ministry.

[SEE FR. DAVID'S REFLECTION HERE.](#)



April 22, 2020 at 8pm

Charley Monaghan

CHANGE IN PROGRAMMING!...

Sr. Marie Puleo, MFIC, was originally planned to give her Reflection on this date; however, she is unable to join us because she and her family are dealing with Covid-19 issues.

Where the Hell is God?

Alternatively... our presenter for this week will be Charley Monaghan, one of the original founders of the Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents. Charley will give his Reflection based on *Where the Hell is God?* a book by Richard Leonard, SJ that focuses on the question of where is God in the midst of all of this pain, suffering, and evil.

[SEE CHARLEY MONAGHAN'S REFLECTION HERE](#)



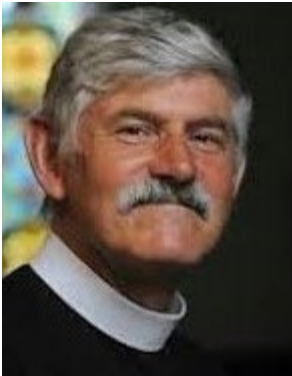
April 29, 2020

Fr. Dennis Schuelkens

Fr Dennis serves as Pastor of St Joseph the Worker and Sacred Heart of Mary Parishes in Weirton WV and also serves as Episcopal Vicar for Clergy for the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Fr Dennis has been involved with the Emmaus Ministry since 2013. He is the nephew of

Charley & Diane.

[REGISTER FOR THIS VIRTUAL GATHERING TODAY!](#)



May 6, 2020

Fr Jurgen Liias

Known for his quick wit and deep knowledge of Scripture, Fr Liias served as an Episcopal Priest for 40 years before being received and confirmed into the Catholic Church in 2012. On April 20, 2013 he was Ordained a Catholic Priest by Cardinal Sean O'Malley for the Anglican Ordinariate. He recently retired from his position as Pastor of St. Gregory Ordinariate Church in Beverly Mass. He has served as an Emmaus Spiritual Leader since 2015.

There is no cost to participate in our Virtual Gatherings; however, you are encouraged to make a "Free Will Offering" to the event(s). The Emmaus Ministry will NOT be the recipient of any offering you might choose to make. Rather, we will forward any funds you donate to that night's Spiritual Leader for use in his/her Order or Parish, to help defray their expenses at a time when revenue for religious communities and parishes has virtually dried up. [Note: Any donations for Charley Monaghan's Reflection will be given to the remaining two speakers in this series for use in their parishes during this time of crisis.]

Once you have registered, an email confirming your registration will be sent to you containing a Meeting ID Number, Password, and link to join the meeting. The ID Number and Password will change each Wednesday night, so be sure to register for each retreat separately. You will need to use this Meeting ID Number and Password to enter the meeting held that Wednesday night on Zoom.

TO REGISTER

- Go to [this link](#) to register.
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TO JOIN THE MEETING

- Before 8pm on Wednesday night, click on the link you received in your registration confirmation for that night and enter the Meeting ID# and Password.



