



Thank you for registering for our upcoming **St. Faustina Women's ACTS Retreat**. The goal of the retreat is to deepen our relationship with Jesus Christ, renew ourselves spiritually, give new meaning to our prayer life and the Mass, and build lasting friendships with fellow parishioners.

The retreat begins Thursday evening when you will be greeted and checked-in at the St. Faustina, and ends Sunday with our return to St. Faustina for the 11 a.m. Mass followed by a meal of fellowship. Round-trip transportation from St. Faustina Church to the retreat center is provided.

The cost per retreatant is \$220.00. Financial difficulties should not prevent anyone from attending the retreat. If you are unable to pay all or part of the fee, you may request financial assistance on the registration form. Registered parishioners at St. Faustina will be given first priority, however any open slots remaining before the retreat will be made available to non-parishioners.

You will receive a confirmation letter prior to the retreat with detailed information about check-in times, what to bring, etc.

To reserve your place, we must receive both a completed registration form and deposit. Please note: If you are unable to attend the retreat, please notify a director or co-director as soon as possible.

Completed forms & fees may be mailed or hand-delivered and will be numbered upon receipt.

**2018 Women's ACTS Retreat
St. Faustina Catholic Church
28102 FM 1093
Fulshear, Tx. 77441**

Make checks payable to **St. Faustina Catholic Church**
Please note **Women's ACTS Retreat** written in the memo field
With name of retreat & phone #

For more information, contact:

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What is an ACTS Retreat?

An ACTS retreat is a three-day and three-night Catholic lay retreat presented by fellow parishioners. The retreat begins on Thursday evening and ends the following Sunday at a Mass celebrated with the parish community. Retreats for men, women and teens are given separately. Talks and activities during the retreat focus on Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service, from which the ACTS acronym is derived. Holy Scripture and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church are the guides for the retreats. The retreat takes on the traditions and atmosphere of the parish community sponsoring it. The retreat itself facilitates the attainment of a new or deeper relationship with our Lord through: Adoration - the call by, acceptance of, and response to God; Community - the love and caring of each other; Theology - the study of God through Scripture and the Catholic Faith; and Service - to God, his people and the parish faith community. Each retreat is conducted by a retreat "team" composed of 40 individuals who have attended prior ACTS retreats. Chosen by the retreat Director, the team organizes the retreat, conducts the retreat talks and activities, and ministers to the needs of the retreatants during the retreat weekend.

What is the purpose of an ACTS retreat?

An ACTS weekend is designed to help the retreatants enter into a new or deeper relationship with our Lord and our fellow parishioners. This is accomplished through fellowship and daily prayer, the call to community in one's parish as a member of the Body of Christ, and theology in encouraging the study of scripture and our Catholic Faith. All of these actions encourage the virtue of service to our Lord, our parish, and one another.

What is the goal of an ACTS retreat?

A parish ACTS retreat strives to achieve the directives of Vatican II and goals of the Revised Code of Canon Law of 1983 which emphasize "community and pastoral care" within a parish. The weekend allows the retreatants to experience God's love and joy. They return to their parish with a deeper love for each other and a desire to become more involved in their parish faith community.

Why attend an ACTS retreat?

The weekend can be a powerful and enduring personal conversion experience. Talks, which draw from the personal experiences of team members, focus on Adoration, the need for prayer and meditation on the word of God; Community, the importance of community built on faith and love; Theology, the need to read and understand scripture and our Catholic Faith; and Service, the need to answer Christ's call to service. Activities conducted during the weekend give retreatants a better understanding of the significance and importance of prayer, liturgy, the sacraments, scripture, community, and service. It is a powerful community building experience for a parish. The ACTS weekend brings the retreatants to a better understanding of God's love for them, and also develops their need to share that love with others through their involvement in a faith-centered parish community. The retreat emphasizes our call to serve our parish community and the greater world community. Frequently the retreatant experiences a new or renewed dedication to the life of the parish community and a new recognition of the needs of those around us and of our obligation, as followers of Christ, to help meet those needs.

Who can attend an ACTS retreat?

ACTS retreats are open to all Christians. While ACTS is a Catholic retreat, it is open to other Christians who are open to learning about the Roman Catholic faith.

Name: _____

Preferred/Nick Name: _____

Address

Phone #'s Home _____ - _____ - _____ Work _____ - _____ - _____

Cell Phone # _____ - _____ - _____

E-Mail Address 1 _____

E-Mail Address 2 _____

Marital Status: ___ Married ___ Single ___ Divorced/ Separated ___ Widowed

Name of Spouse or Significant Other: _____

Relationship _____

Their Phone #'s Home _____ - _____ - _____ Cell _____ - _____ - _____

E-Mail _____

Close Family or Friend Contacts (Must have at least two):

Contact #1: Name _____

Phone # _____ - _____ - _____

Contact #2: Name _____

Phone # _____ - _____ - _____

Contact #3: Name _____

Phone # _____ - _____ - _____

Registered Parish or Church _____

City: _____

Did someone invite you to this retreat? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, who? _____

Have you ever attended an ACTS Retreat? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, when and where? _____

Do you have any special **dietary, medical, mobility or personal needs (including allergies)** during this weekend?

Yes _____ No _____ If Yes, we will contact you about your special needs.

Please check appropriate boxes: Make checks payable to St. Faustina with Women's ACTS Retreat written in memo

_____ I have included a registration deposit of \$50.00

_____ I have included full registration fee /payment of \$220.00

_____ I request financial assistance

Please mail or bring the completed form, along with the deposit to the St. Faustina Catholic Church office.

The cost per retreatant is \$220.00. This fee covers all room & board, meals, transportation and retreat materials. Registration will be on a first come first serve basis, with a waiting list thereafter. In order to reserve your place, a non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 should be submitted with this form. We will advise you of the remaining balance due two weeks before the retreat begins. Forms must be completely filled out to be accepted. Forms can be mailed or hand-delivered to St. Faustina and will have the date and time stamped upon receipt. We will acknowledge your application shortly after it is submitted. *Please note that financial difficulties should not prevent anyone from attending the retreat. If you are unable to pay all or part of the fee, financial assistance is available by checking the appropriate line on this registration form.*

Office Use # _____

Date & Time: _____
