

# Advent 2018

## *St Luke's Infancy Story*

November 30–December 2, 2018

New Melleray Abbey

The account of the infancy in the Gospel of Luke has three important implications for Jesus' proclamation of the Kingdom of God: 1) the birth of Jesus and John begins a new age of salvation; 2) this age will begin a reversal of fortune as foretold in Mary's Magnificat; 3) only those who humble themselves before God will be exalted. We will talk about these three implications in preparation for this year's Gospel of Luke and the Advent season.

In this silent retreat we will discuss these three implications and how we might respond to them. Luke's emphasis on "repentance" means simply to be a disciple of Jesus Christ...but that is demanding. Participants are encouraged to read the gospel of Luke with emphasis on the Magnificat and the first two chapters beforehand.

The retreat will begin with 5 p.m. Vespers on Friday and the retreat will conclude after the 9 a.m. Mass on Sunday morning.

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**Please register me for: Advent 2018  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital status: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**I have enclosed: (check one)**

Enclosed is a \$20 non-refundable deposit

Full fee enclosed (\$170)

Commuter fee of \$85. (for those not staying at the abbey)

I need a 1st floor room if available.

We would like a double room if available.

Please pick us up at the airport/bus terminal.

Arrival time: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail to**

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