

WHERE TO SEND YOUR PAYMENT

We prefer payment to be made by bank transfer to our Sterling Account:

Bank details

Bank: Barclays Bank PLC

Account Name: World Community for Christian Meditation

Account Number: 00986100
Sort Code 20-47-34

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We can also accept payment by credit card, or Paypal.

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Registration:

The cost of the retreat is £520 sterling for sharing a double room
£690 sterling for a single room.

Please return your registration form and deposit of £100 as soon as possible in order to secure your reservation.

Full payment must be made by 31 March, and deposits will be non-refundable after this date.

Terms: We will charge a cancellation fee of 50% of the total retreat price for places cancelled between 1 and 30 April. After this date you will be liable for the full retreat fee. It is important that participants have comprehensive travel insurance to cover this contingency.



The World Community
for Christian Meditation

SILENT MEDITATION RETREAT
MONTE OLIVETO

Siena, Italy

Saturday 22 June
Saturday 29 June 2013



Led by Laurence Freeman OSB
"THE CAVE OF THE HEART"





The 2013 Monte Oliveto Retreat will again bring meditators together from around the world to the peace of the spiritual home of the Olivetan Benedictine Congregation in Tuscany.

A retreat for meditators from around The World Community in a sacred place of peace and beauty. Laurence

Freeman OSB will talk on the theme of: **"The Cave of the Heart"**

Modern life often hardens the heart or depersonalizes the interactions between people. How can we recover the heart and soul of human life in a technological world that moves so fast and is so easily hijacked by the negative forces of the personality? In this year's Monte Oliveto retreat Laurence Freeman will explore the meaning of the heart and the springs of hope, faith and love that are hidden there. In addition to meditation and a daily contemplative mass, there will be times for lectio, yoga, community sharing and prayer with the monastic community."

The retreat is open to all, though it would be very advisable to have some experience of regular meditation before participating in this week-long silent retreat. Participants commit to the whole week and this is a condition of acceptance on the retreat.

The World Community international retreat at Monte Oliveto Maggiore begins on the evening of the 22 June and concludes on the morning of 29 June. Fr Laurence will lead the retreat on the theme of 'The Cave of the Heart' with a daily

conference and evening contemplative Eucharist. Wojtek Karczmarzyk will lead daily yoga. This humane, typically Benedictine balance is blessed by the beauty of the setting and the friendship of the monastic community with whose night prayer each day peacefully concludes. The spirit of silence during the day renews the spirit and the evening meal which is a time of relaxation and friendship with retreatants from different countries balance solitude and community.

Travel: Participants will be responsible for their own travel to Italy – either directly to Monte Oliveto, or to Pisa. WCCM will have a bus departing from Pisa airport at 14.00 hours on Saturday 22 June and returning to Pisa Airport by 14.00 hours on Saturday 29 June (leaving Monte Oliveto at 11.00 hours).

Bus one way £25 both ways £50).

Pisa airport is within very easy reach of Florence by direct train. Participants should make their own arrangements for either getting to Pisa Airport and meeting the bus, or travelling independently to Monte Oliveto to arrive by 17.00 hours. There is a good train network (all timetable information is on the web: www.trenitalia.it), and one can travel south from Florence, or north from Rome to either Asciano-Monte Oliveto or Buonconvento – the local stations. From either of these towns you can get a taxi to Monte Oliveto. Taxi phone numbers will be provided.

Further information from welcome@wccm.org, or +44 208 579 4466

Registration form

I would like to reserve a place on the Monte Oliveto Meditation Retreat 22 -29 June 2013

Name _____

Address _____

Email/telephone _____

Accommodation

shared dble room (private bathroom) £520
single room (shared bathroom) £690.

HAVE YOU been on a silent meditation retreat before? _____

DO YOU have a medical condition? PLEASE GIVE DETAILS ON SEPARATE SHEET.

DO YOU have special dietary requirements? PLEASE GIVE DETAILS ON SEPARATE SHEET

I enclose

- deposit of £100
- full payment of £520 (double room)
- full payment of £690 (single room)
- £50 for the bus Pisa/Monte Oliveto/Pisa (or £25 for one way only, please state which way)
- a donation towards scholarship assistance. Please contribute according to your means