

Booking Information

Residential Silent Retreat cost £130
includes shared accommodation and meals

Non-Residential Silent Retreat cost £85
includes lunch and dinner

Seminar cost £115
Non-residential only and no meals provided

Full payment must be made with registration.

A 50% refund applies to cancellations received prior to 1 August. No refunds after this date.

Some bursaries available.
Donations towards bursaries will be welcomed.

Seminar participants will need to find their own accommodation in London but we can offer a list of possibilities in different price ranges.

A limited number of shared rooms will be available at The Christian Meditation Retreat Centre for the seminar but **must** be booked separately.

Early booking is advised as places are limited. Advance booking is essential for both the events.



For further information
please do not hesitate to contact us.

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*Meditation is the prayer of faith
because we have to leave ourselves behind before the
Other appears and without the prepackaged guarantee
that He will appear.*

John Main OSB



Pre-Seminar

Silent Retreat

Led by Robert Kennedy, SJ

26-28 August 09

Wednesday noon till Friday noon

At The Christian Meditation Retreat Centre
Monastery of Christ the King
6B Priory Close, London N14 4AS

*This retreat is for experienced meditators who
will benefit from a more intensive meditation
schedule. Priority for the retreat will be given
to those coming for both events.*



Robert Kennedy, SJ

is a Jesuit priest, Zen master, psychotherapist, and professor of theology at St Peter's College in New Jersey. He is a representative of the Institute for Spiritual Consciousness in Politics at the United Nations. He is the author of *Zen Spirit*, *Christian Spirit* and *Zen Gifts to Christians*.

JOHN MAIN SEMINAR 2009

When

God

Disappears

Robert Kennedy, SJ

Jesuit priest and Zen master
will lead the John Main Seminar

August 28-30, 2009
London, UK

The Seminar will be held at
The Christian Meditation Centre
St Mark's, Myddelton Square
London EC1R 1XX

Friday 6.30 pm till Sunday 4.00 pm
Non-Residential

The World Community for
Christian Meditation





When God Disappears

In Christian mystical teaching every image of God can become an idol. Robert Kennedy has better understood this - and the meaning of God beyond words and images - through Zen. When Serapion the old desert monk cried “they have taken my God away from me and I do not know who to pray to” he was in fact going deeper into the mystery.

Fr Kennedy’s long experience of teaching meditation to modern Christians gives him powerful and much needed insights into the contemporary hunger for the experience of God.

In the context of prayer, silent meditation, lecture, and open dialogue Fr Robert Kennedy will explore these issues with us.

By stillness in the spirit we move in the ocean of God. If we have the courage to push off from the shore we cannot fail to find (this) direction and energy.

John Main OSB

Fr Robert Kennedy has found meaning in the practices of both Christianity and Buddhism. He conducts weekend and weeklong meditation sesshins (Zen retreats) in the United States, Mexico and Ireland. These retreats reflect Kennedy’s deep respect for and knowledge of Buddhism. They also carry out the principles of the Jesuit statement on mission and inter-religious dialogue, which demands that Jesuits be not only familiar with the thought of men and women of other religious traditions, but be immersed with them in theological exchange and in a dialogue of life, action and religious experience.

Photograph by Michael Sullivan

REGISTRATION FORM

JOHN MAIN SEMINAR & RETREAT 2009

Name

Address

City

Postcode

Country

Telephone

Email

I would like to attend the

- Residential Retreat £130
- Non-Residential Retreat £85
- Seminar £115

Accommodation for the seminar must be booked separately.

- I enclose a donation of £
- I enclose the full payment of £

**Cheques/Bank Draft/Money Order in £ sterling only.
Payable to WCCM**

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- Visa MasterCard

Card No

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