REGISTRATION FORM 2023 Men's ACTS Retreat Nov. 16-19, 2023 (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

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St. Aloysius Catholic Church Men's ACTS Retreat

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# "Children of the Light"

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You will be receiving a letter describing what to bring on the retreat.

#### **AN INVITATION**

#### You are invited to attend St. Al's Men's ACTS Retreat on the weekend of November 16-19, 2023 at Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center in Fremont, Ohio

An **ACTS** retreat weekend is a three-day, three-night retreat presented by Catholic laymen who are fellow parishioners like yourself. Spiritual direction will be provided during the weekend.

The retreat will begin **Thursday evening**, **November 16**, **2023 at 5:00pm**, with check-in at the St. Aloysius Davis Narthex. You are encouraged to bring family members and friends to see you off. Transportation to and from the Retreat Center will be provided.

The weekend will conclude on **Sunday, November 19, 2023 at the 12noon Mass** at St. Aloysius Catholic Church. Immediately following the Mass, retreatants will share refreshments and fellowship in Hartmann Hall with their families and other members of the parish community.

## COST

The cost for each retreatant is <u>\$325.00</u>. However, because of anonymous donors, a **\$60** credit will be applied to new retreatants from the Bowling Green Catholic Community, leaving an actual cost of **\$265**. This covers all meals and lodging. A registration deposit of \$100.00 must be submitted with this form to complete the reservation. The remaining balance is due Thursday, Nov. 16. Please do not let the cost of the retreat keep you from participating. If you are in need of financial assistance or have any other questions, please contact Dave Litzenberg (419)283-3044 or Michael Ginnetti (419)352-4195.

## PURPOSE

The purpose of an ACTS weekend is to provide an opportunity for retreatants to develop a deeper relationship with the Lord and fellow parishioners through **Adoration** and daily prayer; through **Community** in one's parish as a member of the Body of Christ; through **Theology**—the teachings of our Catholic Faith—by encouraging more study, and; through the virtue of **Service** to our Lord, our parish, and each other.

### **MESSAGE OF ACTS**

ACTS is an acronym for Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service and it is these four themes that are the focus of the weekend's activities.

ACTS is inspired by the Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47: "They devoted themselves to the teachings of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to prayers. Awe came upon everyone and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common: They would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. They ate their meals in exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved."

## GOAL

An ACTS retreat strives to achieve the directives of Vatican II and the goals of the Revised Code of Canon Law of 1983 to place more emphasis on "Community and Pastoral Care" within a parish—that the participants experience God's love and joy throughout the weekend and return to their parishes with a deeper love for each other and a desire to become more involved in the parish faith community. The weekend allows an opportunity for parishioners to focus on their faith and its application in their daily lives, to build purpose in their prayer life, to increase their presence at the liturgy, and to cultivate friendship among members of the community.

