

*“I am sending my
messenger to
prepare the way
before me”*

**Directions to St. Luke Parish
at St. Dominic Church
Southington, CT**

Westbound, from Hartford/ I-84:

Take Exit 32 Queen Street (Route 10) Turn right (south) coming off exit ramp onto Queen Street. Take first left onto Laning Street. Drive up hill about a mile. As road curves to right, take first left, which is the continuation of Laning Street. Drive about another mile to end which is Flanders Road. Turn right and the church parking lot is on the right.

Eastbound, from Waterbury/ I-84:

Take Exit 32 Queen Street (Route 10) Turn left (south) coming off exit ramp onto Queen Street. Take first (quick) left onto Laning Street. Drive up hill about a mile. As road curves to right, take first left, which is the continuation of Laning Street. Drive about another mile to end which is Flanders Road. Turn right and the church parking lot is on the right.

SPONSOR
St. Luke Parish
Southington, CT 06489

LOCATION
Our Lady of Calvary
Retreat Center
31 Colton St.
Farmington, CT 06032

MEN'S RETREAT WEEKEND

**JANUARY 30 –
FEBRUARY 2, 2025**



Adoration

Community

Theology

Service

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ADORATION – GOD’S CALL,
YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF, AND
RESPONSE TO GOD.

COMMUNITY – LOVE AND
CARING FOR EACH OTHER.

THEOLOGY – STUDYING GOD
THROUGH SCRIPTURE AND OUR
CATHOLIC FAITH.

SERVICE – TO GOD AND HIS
PEOPLE.

What is it?

An ACTS retreat is a three-day, three-night Catholic lay retreat presented by men who have attended prior ACTS retreats, under the guidance of clergy. Retreat activities focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service. Scripture and the teachings of the Catholic Church are the guides. The goals are to renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your faith and its application in your daily life, and to create lasting and supporting friendships. This is done via a positive, lively and interactive manner. Participants return to their parish faith communities with a deeper love for each other and a desire to become more involved.

Past Reactions

“I always knew there was something more than just attending Sunday mass. Attending an ACTS retreat exposed me to a community of Catholic men involved in their faith on a deep, personal level. The lasting friendships I have made have provided me opportunities to serve the parish and study Scripture in a more meaningful way.” --- **John**

“I witnessed a group of ACTS musicians playing Christian Contemporary music at mass and wanted to join the group since I am a guitar player. I attended my first ACTS retreat in 2012 so I could join. I was blown away and through the support and fellowship shown me by the Team and other retreatants, I was able to unburden my heart and soul from a pain and guilt I had carried around for years. The experience truly opened my heart, mind and eyes. I have been in the music ministry and on several Retreats since and consider that first ACTS Retreat truly life altering.” ---- **Gio**

“My Catholic faith strengthened me in taking care of my family and my late wife. Once she passed, my spirit was crushed and my heart broken. Soon after, an ACTS Brother gave me an ACTS application. I had nothing to lose, so I attended the retreat. The supporting band of Godly Spiritual men was exactly what I needed! The weekend was so moving. We shared our burdens, prayed, consoled each other; building each other up in honor and glory of our Lord. Since then, my relationship with my Lord and my God has grown and this has brought me to be a better Godly man. So grateful for that first ACTS application.” --- **Ron**

Interested in Attending

The retreat begins Thursday evening, January 30th, 2025 with 5:30pm check-in at St. Dominic Church, Southington, CT. Participants are transported to Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center, Farmington, CT for the remainder of the retreat. The retreat will end on Sunday, February 2nd, 2025, with a 11:00am Mass and reception at St. Dominic Church. Transportation to and from the retreat center is provided.

The cost for the retreat is \$340.00. A deposit of \$170.00, made payable to St. Luke Parish, submitted with the enclosed form, will reserve your place. The remaining balance will be due at the Thursday evening check-in. You will receive a letter prior to the retreat describing the necessities to bring.

Please Note: Financial difficulties should not prevent anyone from attending the retreat. A limited amount of assistance is available based on your need. If you have financial concerns please call one of the directors listed below.

For info call / leave message / text:

John Coleman, Retreat Director

Phone: 860-384-9427

John Giovannucci, Retreat Co-Director

Phone: 860-916-3075

Ron Plourde, Retreat Co-Director

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