

CELTIC SPIRITUALITY IN NATURE

A SPIRITUAL FORMATION ELECTIVE*

DATES

June 16, 7:00 p.m.- June 19, 12:15 p.m., 2019

OVERVIEW

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Note. We will be spending a considerable amount of the class time going outside in nature to do Celtic-inspired nature-based spiritual practices so be prepared to bring appropriate shoes and outerwear.

INSTRUCTOR

Beth Norcross, Founding Director, Center for Spirituality in Nature

REGISTRATION / SCHEDULE / DIRECTIONS / CEUS



Registration Fee and Lodging: \$490. Registration including all meals is \$380 with an additional \$110 for lodging at Olmsted Manor Retreat Center, Ludlow, Pa., from Sunday night through Wednesday noon. Check-in on June 16th is after 9:00 a.m.

*This class is open to all regardless of their participation in the Spiritual Formation Certificate Program. If you are interested in learning more about the certificate program, please e-mail us for details at ConEd@pts.edu or visit the Spiritual Formation website.

Directions to Olmsted Manor Retreat Center and other details about the retreat center.

Schedule: Download the general schedule for this class.

CEUs: 2.0; certificate available upon request

READINGS

Please do your best to read the required books before your arrival. If you wish to be in the **Spiritual Formation Certificate** program, you should prepare a one-page reflection paper for each required book; these will be collected the first evening of class. If you do not plan to seek the certificate but are taking the class for personal enrichment, the reflection papers are not required, but we strongly encourage you to read the texts to get as much as possible from the class time.

Required

The Book of Creation: An Introduction to Celtic Spirituality by J. Philip Newell

Walking in Wonder: Eternal Wisdom for a Modern World by John O'Donohue

Kin and Kinship by Scott Saunders (This article will be sent to you upon registration.)

Recommended but not required

Inside Out: Practices for Going Deeper in Nature by Beth Norcross

The Inner Landscape of Being- A conversation between Krista Tippett and John O'Donohue

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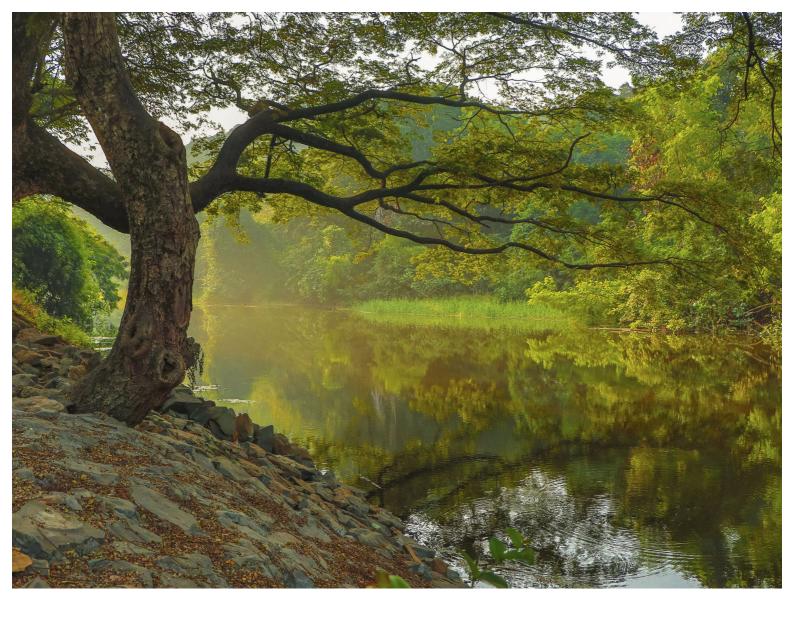
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