

All shall be well and all shall be well and every manner of thing shall be well.

Julian of Norwich

14th Century anchoress
Mystic for Our Time

Presented by Lynne Larson

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For Women and Men of All Faiths

Dominican Retreat
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Come Rest with Julian of Norwich

De-Mystifying the Mystic

We don't even know her real name, but Thomas Merton has called her "the greatest English mystic." In 1373, when Julian was 30 years old and near death, she experienced sixteen visions or "showings" of Christ's passion and the nature of divine love. Her record of the showings, written once after the experience and again after twenty years of reflection, form the first known work written in the English language by a woman. Amidst a troubled world of war, famine and plague, she served as an anchoress giving spiritual counsel for the rest of her life from a cell attached to St. Julian's Church in Norwich, England. The weekend will include Julian's theme of God's compassion and the assurance that all will be well, as well as her profound vision of the Trinity with God who creates us, Jesus who loves as a Mother, and the Holy Spirit, who sustains and preserves us.

The retreat begins on Friday evening at 7:15 and concludes on Sunday at 3:00 in the afternoon. The suggested offering is \$240, which includes a \$60 non-refundable deposit. Reservations are required and may be made via phone, FAX, e-mail or postal mail. To send by post, use the enclosed form or download a form at www.dominicanretreat.org. For more information call Lynne Larson at 757-420-3825 or e-mail her at llarson24@cox.net.

Dominican Retreat is an oasis of tranquility serving both the spiritual and secular communities. It is nestled on 12 acres of rolling lawn, nature trails and shade trees in the heart of McLean, Virginia, and has provided a fount of peace, solitude and renewal to thousands of people over the past 40 years. The retreat center is open to anyone seeking spiritual renewal and prayer. The programs are available to individuals of all ages, faiths and from all walks of life. This weekend retreat offers the opportunity for celebration of the Eucharist and reconciliation. Lynne Larson has been attending annual retreats at Dominican Retreat since 1977, where she first discovered the readings of Julian over 15 years ago. She also coordinates centering prayer retreats with Fr. Bill Sheehan, OMI, and presents dream workshops and programs.