

Lay Readers Association – 2023 Spring Retreat: “Background Info & Registration Form”

Topic: **“Enhancing Present and Future Directions for Lay Ministry”**

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When: *Friday, April 28, 2023 (5:00 pm) to Sunday, April 30, 2023 (after lunch)*

Where: *Le Manoir d’Youville, (<https://manoirdyouville.ca/en/>), Châteauguay, QC J6J 5T9*

Overview: This retreat will provide opportunity to explore skills in leadership, worship planning, and new opportunities in which to minister both in and outside the church. *Weekend format will include: Presentations, Break-out sessions, and Discussions; focusing on Broadening and Enhancing the understanding of the Lay Reader’s “Calling” to this role within the Church and the Diocese, along with a renewed discovery of Vocation.*

Note: This **“Interactive & Team-building”** retreat is **“In-Person only”**. Unfortunately **NO Zoom** access will be available.

Registration Information:

Members with **mobility difficulties** and **medical concerns** will be given **priority** for **single rooms with bathrooms** and close proximity to elevator. **Registration will remain open until 24th March 2023.**

****There’s an EARLY Registration DISCOUNT of \$25 IF you “Register/Post-Mark, by 24th JANUARY 2023”or sooner****

- 1. All Lay Readers are encouraged to approach their own parish leadership for financial assistance.**
- 2. “Some” assistance from our LRA Bursary Fund may also be possible.** Website: <http://layreaders.org/documents.htm>
- 3. To discuss payment options:** Please contact **Karen Birkett** (Registrar and Treasurer) at karenbirkett@sympatico.ca or by phone at 514-637-8099
- 4. For any other questions regarding the Spring Retreat:** Please contact **Bob McLachlan** (President) at rob.mclachlan@videotron.ca or by phone at: 514-928-7390

To Register:

Please fill in the form below and include your payment. Register early for a better selection of rooms. You can send your registration by mail or electronically (detailed instructions on the back)

Please print / type clearly. Mark an “X” on your room choice.

*** Please Print/Type Clearly - Mark an “X” on 1 of the Room choices below. (*EARLY Registration = BETTER choice of Room!)**

Name: (1 pers.) _____ Name: (If 2nd pers.) _____

Address: _____ City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Parish: _____ Location: _____

Phone/Cell#: _____ Emergency contact # (?) _____

Email: _____

* Any dietary restrictions? No ___ Yes ___ Please list: _____

* Any handicap assistance needed? No ___ Yes ___ Please list: _____

Note: BOTH Weekend Room prices below also INCLUDE your 6 MEALS, plus am & pm SNACKS & BEVERAGES

Regular Registration: Jan 25 to March 24, 2023

Before Jan 24 2023 = Save \$25!

_____ Single room (1 person) : (sink in the room; shower and toilets in hallway)	\$275	\$250
_____ Room for two persons (price per person) (private bathroom)	\$210	\$185
_____ Single room (1 person) (private bathroom)	\$340	\$315

To register by mail

1. Print and complete the registration form.
2. Make your cheque payable to “Lay Readers’ Association”.
3. Mail everything to
LRA 2023 Weekend Retreat, c/o Ms. Karen Birkett, 952, 10^e Avenue, Lachine, QC, H8S 3G2

To register electronically

1. Complete the registration form and save it in the same format (Word file) or in PDF.
Or print it out, fill it out by hand and scan it.
You may also “Paste” and “Copy” the entire registration (from the bottom of the previous page) into an email message.
2. Send your completed form as an attachment to karenbirkett@sympatico.ca
Mention that a bank transfer will follow.
3. To pay the fee, make an Interac transfer as follows :
 - a. Start your banking app then click “**Send Money**”
 - b. If the under-mentioned recipient does not yet exist, click on “**Recipients**” and create a new recipient (or update it if necessary)
 - i. Choose “Interac e-transfer”
 - ii. Enter the name of the recipient (in English) as:
Lay Readers Association of the Diocese of Montreal
 - iii. Click “Sending method”: email
then enter the following email address: karenbirkett@sympatico.ca
 - iv. If a security question is needed:
Q. What borough does Karen Birkett live in?
R. Lachine
 - v. If necessary, enter any other information requested by your bank.
 - vi. Click **Continue**.
 - c. Make your transfer in the amount required according to your choice of room.
And that’s it, you are done.

If requested: - Receipts will be provided to you.

*** Une version française de ce formulaire est disponible sur demande. ***