



# ST. PAUL VI PARISH



## Women's Retreat

### Keys to Building a Stronger Faith

### Sponsored by the St. Paul VI Women's Society

RETREAT LED BY: Fr. Francis Bitterman

DATE: Wednesday, April 19

TIME: 9am to 3pm, we will celebrate Mass at 2:30pm

LOCATION: Mater Christi Church;  
Marian Room (lower level)

FOOD: Continental Breakfast & Lunch included

COST: \$30/person

REGISTRATION: Please register by April 5.



Fr. Francis Bitterman – was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Chicago in 2012. He currently serves as the pastor of St. Josaphat Parish in Lincoln Park. Prior to that, he served as the vocation director for the Archdiocese of Chicago from 2013-2017.

Fr. Francis is a certified spiritual director from the Institute of Priestly Formation. He is currently working on a Post-Master's Certificate in Spiritual Formation from Boston College. He will soon be a full-time student at BC getting a Master's Degree in Catholic Spirituality Studies beginning in the Fall of 2023.

Fr. Francis is the youngest of 7 boys. He and his brothers grew up in Elmwood Park. He attended St. Vincent Ferrer Grade School and Fenwick High School. He received a B.A. in Politics and worked for several years before entering Mundelein Seminary to study for the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Chicago.



Along with Fr. Bill Stenzel, Fr. Francis was a temporary administrator at Mater Christi Parish from 2015-2016.

For additional information contact: Bern Gordus at 708-447-5423

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Name: (printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch (lunch includes sandwich, fruit, chips, pickle, and drink)

Sandwich Selection: Please circle one choice below.

Ham & Cheese

Turkey & Cheese

Tuna

Please return the registration form, labeled St. Paul VI Women's Retreat, with the \$30 fee by April 5 to the Parish Office or to Ida Clary (708-344-3894).