



Contemplative Outreach of Central Florida - **SPECIAL EVENT**



“THE DARK NIGHT OF THE SOUL” The Night of Sense, The Night of Spirit

Presented by Susan Komis

Church of our Saviour- Cocoa Beach

5301 N Atlantic Ave

April 22-23, 2016

Friday: Registration 6:00 p.m., Conference 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Saturday: Doors open at 8:00 a.m., Conference 8:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Cost: \$45 (includes lunch on Saturday)

What are these “dark nights?” What is meant by “dark?”

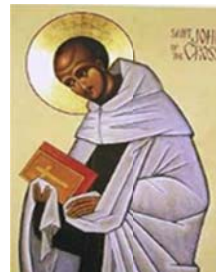
The *Dark Night* is a metaphor and often misunderstood. It simply means that the human mind is unable to grasp the transformative work that God is effecting in the deepest recesses of the soul. It is like a "darkness" to our human understanding.

In this weekend retreat, we will explore how St. John of the Cross charts the fundamental journey of the human spirit where no words satisfy. The Night of Sense & Night of Spirit provides an inner landscape of the soul, a geography of the soul that presents the human experience of being wounded and simultaneously, the experience of being healed by the divine physician.

The “dark nights” are an amazing story of grace and human development as told in these images. This journey provides inspired insight into our contemporary contemplative journey. The weekend will allow time for presentation, small group process, periods of silence and Centering Prayer in contemplative community. Some knowledge of centering Prayer will be helpful but not required.

SUSAN KOMIS *SUSAN KOMIS* is well known to many of us in Florida for having facilitated several retreats, Living Flame events and more recently our COCFL chapter visioning day. Susan has served Contemplative Outreach since 1990, first as a volunteer for the St. Louis, MO Chapter and then as Coordinator. She is Director of the CPS Chapter Programs and Services which supports Coordinators and Contact Persons throughout the Contemplative Outreach spiritual community. She assists Chapters by making onsite visitations and offering programs for leadership enrichment and Chapter development. Susan serves as a staff person for numerous Contemplative Outreach retreats, mentors other servant leaders, and continues to develop leadership formation programs for Contemplative Outreach, Ltd. Susan is a certified Pastoral Minister and has worked in Adult Faith Development and various other ministries including spiritual direction and inter-spiritual dialogue.

*How gently and lovingly You wake in my heart,
Where in secret You dwell alone;
And in your sweet breathing, filled with good and glory,
How tenderly You swell my heart with love.
John of The Cross*



See Registration information on next page



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HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:

DAYS INN COCOA BEACH PORT CANAVERAL (across from Our Saviour church),
5500 North Atlantic Ave, A1A & Atlantic Ave, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 US
COCFL has a total of 15 rooms reserved. Availability is guaranteed until 3/22. Thereafter, reservations will be taken on space available.
Rate \$99.95 per room per night, plus 11.5%, includes hot continental breakfast.
Call **321 784 2550** and mention you are part of the Contemplative Outreach group. Cancellation policy: 72 hours prior to arrival.

Registration Form

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Please fill this registration form and mail with your \$45 check by Tuesday, April 19.

Fees are non refundable after registration deadline.

Mail to: Alice Logan, 505 Green Briar Blvd, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714

Make your check payable to **COCFL**,

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Address: _____

City/St/Zip: _____ Email: _____

Centering Prayer Group (if Any): _____

May we share your contact information with other participants? _____

I have no or little knowledge of Centering Prayer: _____

I have an established practice of Centering Prayer: _____

Special Dietary Needs: Vegetarian _____ Gluten Free _____

I will be attending the sessions on Friday Evening ____ Saturday ____
(Your registration includes Friday and Saturday sessions. Knowing which sessions you will be attending will help us plan food and seating).

For more information please email Alice (AliceVLogan@gmail.com)

Scholarship moneys are available to those that need it.

Please contact Nestor De Armas: nestordearmas@me.com