

## Mount Manresa Ministry Staff



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**Fr. Matthew Roche SJ** entered the Jesuits in 1973. He has been on the staff at Mount Manresa for 4 years and has done ongoing spiritual direction for more than 27 years.



**Sister Maureen Skelly SC** has ministered at Mount Manresa Jesuit Retreat House for more than 25 years. She has worked with our peer ministry with high school students, lay preachers, Hispanic ministry, 12 step retreats, HIV/AIDS ministry and many more.



### *Who Are the Jesuits Anyway?*

Jesuit scholar John O'Malley notes that one phrase is repeated quite often in the early Jesuit documents: *to help people*. This deceptively simple idea would become their religious agenda.

After combing through the writings of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, O'Malley claims that "Ignatius used it again and again to describe what motivated him and was to motivate the Society. His disciples seized upon it and tirelessly repeated it as the best and most succinct description of what they were trying to do.

By this phrase, the first Jesuits meant helping the whole person, not merely the "spiritual" aspects of the person's life.

The Jesuit "way of proceeding" is based on a broad-minded spirituality that seeks to find God in all things, in all peoples, and in all environments. This principle guides our choice of films for *Faith in the Dark*



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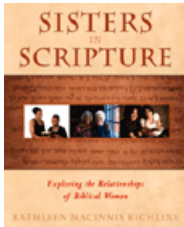
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Grant me O Lord to see everything now with new eyes, to discern and test the spirits that help me read the signs of the times, to relish the things that are yours, and to communicate them to others. Give me the clarity of understanding that

you gave Ignatius.

*Pedro Arrupe, S.J.*



*Kathleen Kichline* *Sisters in Scripture: Exploring the Relationships of Biblical Women*

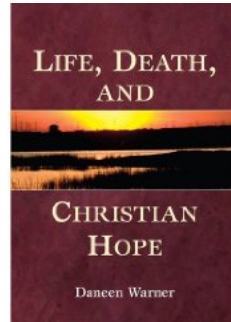
*Kathleen Kichline* uses tools of biblical scholarship, prayer, reflection and the insights of other women to explore the relationships of various women of both the Old and New Testament.



**October 19**

**7:30 pm**

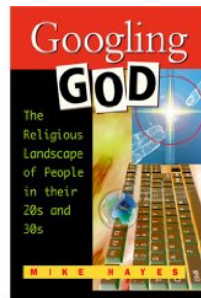
*Daneen Warner* *Life, Death, and Christian Hope*



In an age marked by challenges to hope, *Daneen Warner* emphasizes the role of hope in God in viewing death through a Christian lens rather than through the contemporary secular culture's denial of death.

**November 16**

**7:30 pm**



*Mike Hayes*, *Googling God: The Religious Landscape of People in Their 20s and 30s*

A how-to book on ministering to two

distinct generations in the Catholic Church that includes a look at recent historical and technological changes and their effect on young adults.



**January 25**

**7:30 pm**

*Fr. Charles Healey* *The Ignatian Way*



Although many books have been written on Ignatian Spirituality, most focus on highly specific and scholarly details, rendering them too academic and specialized for

the average reader. *Fr. Charles Healey* remedies this problem by compiling a more general guide to the basic aspects of Ignatian spirituality. Addressing everything from the life of St. Ignatius Loyola to his Spiritual Exercises to dealing with contemporary world issues in a Jesuit spirit, it offers a comprehensive yet conversational approach to Ignatian spirituality. Whether studying or teaching at a Jesuit school, seeking spiritual direction on a retreat, discerning a possible vocation to the Society of Jesus, or simply seeking more exposure to Ignatian spirituality, this book is an invaluable guide.

**March 15**

**7:30 pm**