



Silent weekend retreat for MEN & WOMEN

February 16 - 18, 2024

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The Final Days: Passion and Death of the Lord in Jerusalem.

Although the Passion Narratives of all four Gospels are similar in many ways, there are significant differences among them. While the three Synoptic Gospels agree with each other (since Matthew and Luke are almost certainly based on Mark), John's account is quite different. Though Matthew and Mark are nearly identical, Luke differs from them and is much closer to John's account. What does each of the four Evangelists stress the most in the Passion narrative?

Mark emphasizes the *suffering* of Jesus, how he was tragically rejected, unfairly condemned, viciously beaten, horribly insulted, and cruelly mistreated by multiple groups.

Matthew speaks about the *kingship* of Jesus, how the de-facto ruling powers conspired to get rid of someone they saw as a political threat.

Luke insists on the *innocence* of Jesus. John stresses the *exaltation* of Jesus, how he remains in control, completing the will of the Father, and being glorified as he is lifted up. What does Jesus' death mean for us? Where do we see ourselves along way of the Cross today?

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Suggested Offering: \$ 250.00 pp

This includes your two night's accommodation, meals, retreat program and spiritual direction.

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Ordained a priest in 1986, Fr. Rosica is a member of the Congregation of St. Basil (Basilian Fathers), a biblical scholar, lecturer, author and retreat preacher. He has studied theology and Sacred Scripture in Toronto, Rome and Jerusalem. He was Pastor and Executive Director of the Newman Centre Catholic Mission at the University of Toronto (1994-2000), Lecturer at the Faculty of Theology of the University of St. Michael's College, and St. Peter's Seminary in London, Ontario (1990 – 2018), National Director and CEO of World Youth Day 2002 in Canada and the founding CEO of the Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation in Canada 2003-2019. He has lectured and led retreats across Canada, the USA, Italy, Ireland, Jordan, Israel, Egypt and India. He has frequently directed retreats at the Manresa Jesuit Spirituality Centre in Pickering.