

## Overnight Accommodations

From individual rooms to yurts to a home, the Center offers several residential options including handicap accessibility. Retreatants present on Tuesday and/or Thursday evenings may choose to join the Sisters for evening prayer and supper.

Kitchens at the Center and San Pietro are fully equipped with appliances and utensils.

All rooms and other housing facilities are furnished and include towels and linens. As the Center is located on 230 acres of farm and wooded land, guests may find that casual clothes are the most practical and comfortable. Depending on the time of year, guests may also want to bring appropriate footwear for outdoor use.

With each reservation, a 50% deposit is required prior to the beginning of the retreat. The remaining balance is due upon your arrival. Please make your reservation as far in advance as possible.

Once your reservation has been confirmed, you will be given the name of your Franciscan Guide. It is expected that you will advise your Guide of your estimated arrival time prior to 5 p.m., Eastern Time. If a late arrival is unavoidable, special notice should be given to the Franciscan Guide. Ample parking is available.

*Cancellations:* If your plans change, we expect notice of cancellation as soon as possible so other guests may be accommodated. A service fee of \$50 will be charged for cancellations less than 48 hours before scheduled arrival time.

## Individual Rooms

The Franciscan Life Process Center has eight individual rooms, with either a twin or double bed. Some rooms have a private bathroom attached while others have a complete bathroom available on the same floor.



## Yurts

Yurts are environmentally friendly buildings located on a wooded ridge where wildlife is plentiful. One yurt is handicap accessible.



## Guest House



San Pietro Guest House accommodates nine and has two fully-equipped kitchens and a centralized meeting space.

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## Living In the Franciscan Experience

### ***Our Mission***

*To promote a relationship with God that brings  
dignity and hope to the sacred process  
of all life through programs that assist, educate,  
enrich and inform.*

The Franciscan Sisters  
of the Eucharist  
welcome guests who  
want to visit our Center  
to share in our life of  
worship and community.  
Each guest is invited to  
experience the mission  
of the Community  
to *restore and build*  
a sense of the sacred  
found deep within  
humanity and in  
creation.  
This mission is anchored  
in a belief in the  
inherent value  
of each human life.

## ***Program Offerings***

### ***Retreat Options***

The normal length of a visit is two days to a week. Longer visits must be specially arranged. Guests are welcome to use the Annunciation Chapel at the Center. Opportunity to pray with the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist will be posted at the Center and updated according to the liturgical season. The library provides materials for reading on religious subjects.

The Center is located on 230 acres of woods and farm land, including trails for walks. An orchard, large vegetable garden, and flower beds offer opportunities to reflect on natural cycles of growth, which retreatants may observe or experience through a directed project.

### ***Spiritual Direction***

Franciscan Guides are available for those seeking spiritual direction. The Guide assists the person to listen and communicate with God.

### ***Private Retreats***

Guests seeking time for silence and prayer may choose to make a private retreat. Specified times to pray the Liturgy of the Hours with the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist Community are provided including the option to join the Sisters for Tuesday and/or Thursday evening meals.

### ***Directed Retreats***

In the setting of the natural beauty of the land, retreatants meet daily with a Franciscan Guide who facilitates the process of listening to God. Scripture passages are the primary resource used for reflection and meditation.

### ***Groups***

Requests for group retreats, either private or directed, can be arranged with the Director of the Retreat Program. One person is asked to determine the needs of the group and to take responsibility for organizing the details of the retreat with the Director. The maximum number for the group retreat planning to stay over night at the Center is thirty people. Please discuss your requirements with the Director of the Retreat Program to determine the itinerary for your group's retreat experience.

### ***Reservations***

To make reservations or request information, contact the Director of the Retreat Program at:

[franciscanguide@lifeprocesscenter.org](mailto:franciscanguide@lifeprocesscenter.org)  
or write to the LIFE Retreat Program.

The Franciscan Guide may also be reached by phone at (616) 897-7842, ext. 302, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. and 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

<b><i>Spiritual Direction</i></b>	Donation
<b><i>Private Retreats</i></b>	\$50 per day
<b><i>Directed Retreats</i></b>	\$75/ day ( <i>includes Guide</i> )
<b><i>Groups</i></b>	Call for pricing

Any additional offering will be gratefully accepted and is tax deductible under federal law.

