

**DIRECTIONS - ST. COLUMBA,
COLUMBIA, CT**
328 CT-66, Columbia, CT 06237

From Hartford and points West from I-84/384:

From Rte I-84 Eastbound, take Rte I-384 East. At end of expressway, stay in the RIGHT lane, onto Route 6 East (Willimantic/Providence). Continue 7.0 miles, turn right, onto Route 87 South. Continue for 3.4 miles, St Columba will be on your right. At light turn right onto Route 66 and park in the lower lot (if difficulty with stairs, park in the upper lot on the corner of Rte 87 & 66)

From East Hampton and points from Rte 2 East or West:

From Rte 2 Exit 13/Marlborough center, follow Rte 66 for 16.3 miles. Church is at the intersection of Rte 66 & 87: Right before the intersection, park in the lower lot behind the church directly off of Rte 66 on your right (if difficulty with stairs, park in the upper lot on the corner of Rte 87 & 66 (will need to take a right at light and quick right into the upper lot).

From Norwich and points from I 395 North or South:

Take Rte 2 West, Willimantic Hartford to Exit25 Rte 32 North/Franklin. Turn right onto Rte 32 North and follow for .6 miles, turn left onto Rte 87 North, follow for 7.5 miles until the end of the Lebanon green and continue with a slight left to continue on Rte 87 North for 5.8 miles. At light turn left onto Route 66 and park in the lower lot (if difficulty with stairs, park in the upper lot on the corner of Rte 87 & 66).

From Windham/Willimantic & points East:

From Rte 6 expressway follow to the Rte6/66 and continue straight Rte 66 West and follow for 1.8 miles. Church is at the intersection of Rte 66 & 87: At light go straight on Route 66 and park in the lower lot (if difficulty with stairs, park in the upper lot on the corner of Rte 87 & 66 (will need to take a left at light and quick right into the upper lot).

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**THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF THE
GOOD SHEPHERD**

**St Columba
328 Rte 66
Columbia, CT 06237**

**Holy Family
185 Church St
Hebron, CT 06231**

LOCATION

**ST. EDMUND'S RETREAT CENTER
1 ENDERS ISLAND
MYSTIC, CT 06355
(860) 536-0565**

They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life; to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles.

All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need.

Each day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes.

They ate their meals in exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people.

And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47

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**WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT
MARCH 2-5, 2023**

Adoration

Community

Theology

Service

www.actsct.org

ADORATION – God's CALL, your ACCEPTANCE OF, AND RESPONSE TO GOD.

COMMUNITY – LOVE AND CARING FOR EACH OTHER.

THEOLOGY – STUDYING GOD THROUGH SCRIPTURE AND OUR CATHOLIC FAITH.

SERVICE – TO GOD AND HIS PEOPLE.

What is it?

An ACTS retreat is a three-day, three-night Catholic lay retreat presented by women who have attended prior ACTS retreats, under the guidance of a Catholic Guide. Retreat activities focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service. Scripture and the teachings of the Catholic Church are the guides. The goals are to renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your faith and its application in your daily life, and to create lasting and supporting friendships. This is done via a positive, lively and interactive manner. Participants return to their parish faith communities with a deeper love for each other and a desire to become more involved.

Past Reactions

"I had been on many retreats before my ACTS retreat, so I was looking forward to my weekend. I never expected God to show up the way He did on my retreat. The Holy Spirit was so present throughout the weekend, that I came away on a "holy high." My relationship with God has never been the same and I gained many beautiful sisters as a result. I promise you will never regret going on an ACTS Retreat."
~Jen C.

" I was invited to attend an ACTS retreat several years ago. I so wanted to be part of such a special group, but I did not feel I was good or holy enough to be part of this special group. However, from the moment I arrived at the retreat, I never expected to feel such love! God knew I was broken but made me feel His unconditional love. Because I said YES, I now have a wonderful support system that I can always count on. I am praying that you will say yes too. My faith continues to grow each day." ~Margaret

"I was forever changed by my first ACTS retreat. The retreat was a faith filled weekend that drew me in closer to God, because it revealed who I was to our Father. Since the retreat I've found various ways to become closer to God and my faith community through educational enrichment, service to my church & ACTS, and service in the broader community. I have also been blessed with many rewarding friendships with my ACTS sisters and brothers. You truly do become a faith filled family in Christ. I am praying that you come out find out for yourself!" ~Brigit

Interested In Attending?

The retreat begins Thursday evening, March 2, 2023; with a 5:30 pm check-in at St Columba Church at 328 Rte 66, Columbia, CT. The retreat will end on Sunday, March 5, 2023 with an 11:00 AM Mass and reception at St Columba Church.

Transportation to and from St Edmonds Retreat Center on Enders Island will be provided for.

The cost for the retreat is \$199 for first time retreatants and \$275 for others. A deposit of \$100, made payable to Church of the Holy Family, submitted with the enclosed form, will reserve your place. The remaining balance will be due at the Thursday evening check-in. You will receive a letter within two weeks of the retreat describing the necessities you should bring.

Please Note: Financial difficulties should not prevent anyone from attending the retreat. A limited amount of assistance is available based on your need. If you have financial concerns please call one of the directors listed below.

For further information contact

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