

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

DIRECTIONS – ST. PATRICK CHURCH, EAST HAMPTON, CT

Westbound, from Norwich/CT-2 W: Take Exit 18 off CT-2 W. Turn left on to Middletown Rd. (CT-16) toward Middletown, East Hampton. Continue on Middletown Rd. (CT-16) for approximately 9 miles. Turn right onto Main St. (CT-196) turn left on to West High St. St. Patrick Church will be on your left. The parking lot is behind the church.

Eastbound, from Waterbury/ I-84: Merge onto I-84 E. Take Exit 27 to merge onto I-691 E toward Meriden. Continue onto CT-66 E for approximately 10 miles then continue onto West High St. for approximately 7 miles. St. Patrick Church will be on your right. The parking lot is behind the church.

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LOCATION

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION RETREAT CENTER
600 LIBERTY HIGHWAY
PUTNAM, CT 06260**

ST. JOHN PAUL II & GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISHES WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT APRIL 23-26, 2026



Adoration

Community

Theology

Service

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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

“My involvement in the ACTS community has led me from being a complacent cradle Catholic to a person strong in faith with an intense desire to learn everything I can about God and what He has done for me. I now realize how much He loves me and how He shows me His love every day. I have a better understanding of the sacraments, especially the Mass and many other aspects of salvation history. It also helped me understand the roles of Joseph and Mary in my journey. This journey has given me a servant’s heart to help those in need. It is my immense honor to be the director of this retreat. The goal of the retreat is aiding the women who come as retreatants in their own faith journey.”
Cheryl L.

“The ACTS weekend was one of the best gifts I have given myself. I deepened my relationship with God, made so many lasting friendships with other women and became more active in my church. It truly was life-changing!”
Deb L.

“What a wonderful experience going on an ACTS Retreat weekend was for me. I really didn’t know what to expect but the experience was beyond words. It created for me a closer relationship with our Lord, lasting friendships and much, much more!!!”
Kathy S.

Interested In Attending?

The retreat begins Thursday evening, April 23, 2026, with a 5:00 pm check-in at St. Patrick’s Church 47 West High Street, East Hampton, CT Participants will then be transported to Immaculate Conception Retreat Center for the remainder of the retreat. The retreat will end on Sunday, April 26, 2026, with a 10:00 AM Mass and reception at the Church Hall. Transportation to and from the Retreat Center will be provided. The cost for the retreat is \$295.00. A deposit of \$147.50, made payable to St. John Paul II Parish, 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 and discuss them with the directors listed below.

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