

Statement of Purpose

The Franciscan Hermitage is an international, inter-faith, life center dedicated to the spiritual, physical, intellectual and professional growth and formation of persons of all persuasions and circumstances.

We offer a variety of workshops, lectures, classes and support groups, each designed to empower individuals on their journeys of faith and wholeness.

Persons involved with The Franciscan Hermitage are encouraged toward personal growth and development, so that by word and example, they might encourage others on their own journeys of personal growth and development.

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Dear Friends of the Hermitage:

Do you realize that you and I are Powerful Spiritual Beings! We are all one in the Divine Energy we call God or Universal Intelligence. All major religions on the planet, at their basic, foundational level, teach that we are here on the planet to Love and meditation is means by which we learn to love. That means we will find true happiness and fulfillment when we are loving ourselves and others.

In his documentaries “Capitalism” and “Where to Invade Next” Michael Moore shows how business plans, built on “Love” and “Equality”, can bring prosperity to everyone, not just a few!

Owners of a bakery, for example, divide the profits from the business with all of the employees. Everyone in the business prospers, not just the owners.

In Italy, large businesses share their profits by giving their employees 8 weeks of paid vacation, months of maternity leave to mothers, and medical care that includes extended stays at health spas for the entire family.

These models are based on a “Love” model where the people come first! These are “servant” models in which everyone prospers not just with the people at the top.

If you really love someone, you help them to help themselves. This model is supported in organized religion by Pope Francis. It is this same model that motivated Bill Gates and Warren Buffet in the business community to give huge amounts of money to create banks that give interest free loans to people in Developing Nations so that they can create their own businesses. This model is supported in the media by Link TV showing how we can help the poor by creating jobs, not by giving away free clothing and food.

Helping others to connect with their own “Love Energy” is the way to personal freedom and the way to World Peace. This approach is what the Hermitage is all about. With our programs and publications, we are promoting both personal freedom and World Peace.

Recently we consolidated our files from the past 32 years. What we found is that our ideas, which reach out all over the world, have touched somewhere between 1 and 2 million people. We want to continue and to increase those numbers. Love is the only way to Peace!

J. Justin

Please continue to help us work toward Global Love and Peace! Tell others about our programs and publications; invite us into your churches, schools, businesses, and communities; share your experiences of mediation with others; share the joy of being a Loving person.

Sincerely in the love of God and St. Francis

AUSTRALIA

Fr. Justin will be in Australia from April 20 – May 15, 2017. He will be doing a *Success: Full Living* workshop April 22-23; a *Labyrinth* workshop April 29-30 and a *Silva Life System* workshop May 6-7. Other speaking engagements are to be announced. For further information please contact Alison at frjustin@iinet.net or 1-61-8-9341-7344. Alison also has information on Meditation Support Groups in the Greater Perth area.

EUROPE

Marietta Kovacs is our Hermitage contact in Europe, is a certified SFL Lecturer and presents programs in Geneva and elsewhere in Europe. For information regarding programs and Hermitage publications in French (and some in English) please call +41-22-349-8077 or +41-79-342-9977.

HOUSTON

Pat Kerlin is a certified SFL Lecturer residing in Katy, TX. For information about *Success: Full Living* workshops in this area, please call 281-703-8666.

JUSTIN'S CALENDAR (2016/2017)

Dec. 1-15 Italy
Dec. 17-19 Poland
Dec. 24-25 Indy - Mass at Sacred Heart
Dec. 31 Indy - Mass at Sacred Heart
Jan. 1 Indy - Mass at Sacred Heart
Jan. 14-15 Indy - Mass at Sacred Heart
Jan. 20-22 Indy – SIS Workshop
Jan. 28-29 Indy - Mass at Sacred Heart
Feb. 4-5 Indy - Mass at Sacred Heart
Feb. 6 Indy – SFR Opening Lecture
Feb. 11-12 Indy – SFR Workshop
Feb. 25-26 Indy – Mass at Sacred Heart
Mar. 4-9 Chicago – Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish
Renewal
Mar. 11-12 Indy – Mass at Sacred Heart

Mar. 18-22 Indy – St. Thomas Parish Renewal
Mar. 25-26 Indy - Mass at Sacred Heart
April 8-9 Indy – Mass at Sacred Heart
April 15-16 Indy – Mass at Sacred Heart
Apr. 22-23 Perth, AU – SFR
Apr. 24-28 Perth – SFL
Apr. 29-30 Peace Be Still – Labyrinth Workshop
May 6-7 Perth - SLS
May 12 - Perth – Peace Be Still - Thanks
June 5- Indy – SFL Opening Lecture
June 10-11 SFL Workshop
June 19-23 St. Louis – Province Chapter
July 10 Omaha – SLS Opening Lecture
July 15-16 SLS Workshop
July 27-30 Sioux Falls, SD - 4 day workshop
Silva Life System & Silva Intuition System

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS - 2017

Silva Life System (SLS) Hermitage Location

January 3 – Tuesday Night - Opening Lecture 7:00 p.m.
(Free and open to the public)

January 7 – Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

January 8 – Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The mind is your greatest resource. Tapping into its unlimited potential can help you develop genius ability.

(Cost: Prepaid \$375 – after Jan. 3rd \$425).

\$100 deposit due on or by Jan. 3rd to receive your discount.

Silva Intuition System Class – Hermitage Location

January 20 - Friday Night 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Class

January 21 - Saturday - 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Class

January 22 – Sunday - 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Class

(The SIS is now a follow-up graduate program, and you must be a SLS or Basic Lecture Series (BLS) graduate to take this class.) The SIS class will help you to use the God Presence within to consciously connect with all Creation.

Cost: Prepaid on or before Jan. 16th \$375. (\$425 after Jan. 16th.) A \$100 deposit received on or by Jan. 16th will reserve your seat and qualify you for the \$50 discount.

Fr. Justin and Kathy Peters will be teaching this class.

(Graduates may retake these classes for \$30 for each class.)

Hermitage Location

Success: Full Relating “A Valentine Special”

February 9 – Monday Night – Opening Lecture 7:00 p.m.
(Free and open to the public)

February 11 – Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Class

February 12 - Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Class

This workshop, will help you to understand how you relate, give you 7 basic principles you can use to develop wholesome and satisfying relationships, and much more.

Special price: \$175 per person or \$200 for two people.

Success: Full Living Workshop – Hermitage Location

June 5 – Monday Night - Opening Lecture 7:00 p.m.

June 10 & 11, Sat. and Sun. Class 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Fr. Justin has taught this class all over the world.

This workshop based on Fr. Justin's book *Success: Full Living*, and explains the **Life Mechanism** and how it works.

Cost: Prepaid \$175 – at the door \$200 (\$50 deposit due by Jan. 5th) Graduates may retake this class for \$25.

During the *Success: Full Living* Workshops students are asked to write a poem and share it with the class.

The following poem was written by one of the students during the Oct. 1st 2016 *Success: Full Living* class at the Hermitage in Indianapolis.

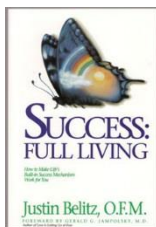
**My world that has formed
around me has, in essence,
been my illusion.**

**That perception can be
changed by my outlook.**

**Through God's eyes, I want
to experience my world.**

**Through God's eyes,
I want to see.**

By: Barbara Worley



SILVA LIFE SYSTEM IN OMAHA, NEBRASKA

Mon. July 10, 2017 - Opening Lecture 7:00 p.m.

July 15 & 16, Sat. and Sun. Classes 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Location: AmericInn Hotel & Suits – 9720 W. Dodge Road

Contacts: Karen at kpazmarx@gmail.com or Hermitage at

317-545-0742 or Email LuLu at lulugk@att.net

(\$375 prepaid – or \$100 deposit due by July 16th to receive this price, and after this date price will be \$425.)

SILVA LIFE SYSTEM and SILVA INTUITON SYSTEM

(A 4 Day Intensive Workshop)

Location: Country Inn and Suits by Carlson

Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Thursday, July 27 thru Sunday, July 30, 2017

Class times: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Pre-Paid: \$750.00 (A \$200. deposit must be received by June 25th to qualify for the \$750.00 price, and secure a seat.

Contact: Tracy Saboe Email: gold_club_99@yahoo.com

Phone: 605-330-8242 or The Hermitage 317-545-0742 or

Email LuLu at lulugk@att.net

This is the second time the Silva, 4 day intense worship has been offered in Sioux Falls, and taught by Fr. Justin.

RETREAT TO ASSISI, ITALY – November, 3-10, 2016

Sponsored by: Fr. Justin and the Hermitage

The group of 33 consisted of graduates from the Hermitage programs from Australia, CA, TX, Europe, FL, and Indiana.

There were 11 of us that took a pre-tour to Rome and Florence before meeting the group in Assisi. We had our own bus and driver and private tour guides during this tour.

We toured the Vatican Museums, the Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, walked the Spanish Steps, made wishes and tossed coins in the Trevi Fountain, saw the Leonardo DaVinci Museum, ate great food, and so much more.

On the two hour drive to Assisi, to meet up with the rest of our group, our buss driver/tour guide drove us through the gentle rolling, green hills spotted with vineyards, olive gardens, and beautiful buildings. As he drove he would tell us about the History of the places we were seeing.

Upon our arrival in Assisi we were welcomed by the wonderful Sisters of St. Anthony's Guest House, Fr. Justin and the rest of our group.

Our day began each morning at 7:00 a.m. when we would gather for breakfast, and a cheerfull "Good Morning" greeting from Sister Sue. Everyone was so cheerfull and filled with excitement of a new day, and a new adventure.

After breakfast, each day, the group would follow Fr. Justin to a different church where we would have Mass. (Each Church was more beautiful and interesting than the last.)

We had lunch, dinner, group Sessions, sigh seeing, and a lot of walking with Fr. Justin. We had some free time, but No Radio or TV available, so we Metitated and Shopped!!

A unique and rare opportunity, and one of the highlights of the trip, was a special meeting Fr. Justin arranged with Bishop Domenico Sorrentino. The Bishop spent about 45 minutes, with the group and he spoke about the need to create "family" in the Church, small faith communities, and he treated the group as his family and radiated kindness and compassion.

A Sincere Thanks, to Fr. Justin, Nancy Chism, Rev. David Lord, the Sisters at St. Anthony's, Judy at Kollander Travel, and all the great people on the trip for making this Retreat a wonderful and memorable experience.

Love, Gratitude and Blessings,

LuLu

Success: Full Living as a Parish Renewal is very effective in a church setting. If your pastor or Director of Religious Education is looking for a full week of renewal, please have them contact us for details.

**"Special Holiday Wishes" to our wonderful Volunteers, Members, and Supporters far and near, we wish you a very Merry Christmas, and a Healthy, Happy, and Prosperous New Year. Peace, Love and Blessings,
From: Fr. Justin, LuLu, Brian, and the Board.**

Earth are you and fire are you
Wind, and rain, and spirit are you!
All is one and one is all
Think and see our world anew!

Creating Love
by
Fr. Justin

Once you know to love yourself
Loving others flows.
Smiles and hugs and kisses too.
That's the way it shows!

Loving self is where you start
Now the work begins!
Spirit first and all things next
Balance is what wins.

Only Live with things you need
Not with what you want.
That will help to spread your love
Not your wealth to flaunt

Creating health is loving self
As well as meditation!
Not to mention family
And constant education!

You are light and love prevails
When light illumines all.
Radiate your Godliness
That's your Cosmic call.

Time for friends and family
Are also times of grace!
Don't forget that work's a gift
But fun must have a place!

Earth we are and fire we are.
Wind and rain and spirit we are!
All is One and One is All
Think and feel and be a star!

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PROFESSIONALS AT THE HERMITAGE

We have independent contractors with offices in the Hermitage House. There are 4 licensed clinical psychologists, 2 massage therapists, Two Reiki Masters, 1 guitar teacher, 1 Healing Touch & 1 Spiritual Director. For information please contact us at the Hermitage.

PLEASE HELP IF YOU CAN

The Franciscan Hermitage is a tax-exempt, not-for-profit. We support ourselves with our program, publications, income from room rental, donations, wills and bequests. Please help us whenever and however you can. Many thanks and God bless!

Love and appreciation,