



OUR TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

SATURDAY MARCH 30, 2019

FEATURING MARTIN LAIRD O.S.A.

9:00 AM—3:30 PM

Registration: 8:00—9:00 AM

Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

6901 Wadsworth Blvd., Arvada, CO 80003

A DARKNESS ALL OF LIGHT

This line from a poem by Franz Wright serves to focus this day of silent prayer, lecture and discussion. Silence has no opposite. For the silent mind, sound is as silent as no sound. For the mind free of clutter, the silence of despair and the silence of joy are different manifestations of the very same silence. But for the cluttered mind, such things seem to be at odds. To explore this, among other things, Fr. Martin will consider such topics as: the inner noise generated when we try to use contemplative practice to *acquire* something we think we lack (such as perpetual peace); or get rid of something we would rather not face; how the practice of awareness can establish us as our own contemplative project; as well as some special challenges for the maturing contemplative.

We are happy to welcome back Fr. Martin Laird as our Annual Conference Speaker for a third time. Fr. Martin is an Augustinian friar and is a Professor of Early Christian Studies at Villanova University near Philadelphia. He continues to lecture and lead retreats throughout the United States, the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland.

The event will include coffee and rolls in the morning and a cold luncheon plate. All lunches are gluten free (except for bread on table). Please choose between spinach salad with chicken, salpicon salad with beef, or salpicon vegetarian salad.

We encourage you to register early as seating is limited to 500 people. Payment must accompany registration and is non-refundable for cancellations after March 7. The cost of \$110 includes continental breakfast, lunch and parking.

Register online at www.contemplativeoutreach-co.org or mail your registration form and check to Contemplative Outreach of Colorado, 3650 Yates St., Denver, CO 80212. For information or assistance call 303-698-7729.



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Name: _____ **Registration: \$110**

Address: _____

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All lunches are gluten free. Choose one:

Salad with Chicken _____ **Salad with Beef** _____ **Vegetarian Salad** _____

Please register me for the Introductory Workshop for Centering Prayer on Saturday, April 6, 2019. Yes _____