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Contemplation (and Action) in the 21st Century

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February 22, 2009, 1:30-4:30pm
St. Ignatius Church

Richard Rohr Event Feb. 22, 2009

Richard Rohr OFM, internationally recognized author and spiritual teacher, a Franciscan of the New Mexico province and founder of the Center for Action and Contemplation in Albuquerque, will speak on Sunday, February 22 at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in San Francisco.

The talk will occur from 1:30 to 4:30pm in St. Ignatius Church on the campus of the University of San Francisco (USF), 650 Parker Avenue at the corner of Parker and Fulton. Enter the church on Fulton. Parking available in University lot on Parker St. across from church.

Richard Rohr's Sunday afternoon talk will explore the little known or understood role of silent prayer (Contemplation) in the 21st Century, suggesting that in relating to God in this way, one is gradually open and capable of becoming a new person, seeing the world with the eyes and heart of Christ, relating to all peoples in oneness of spirit and therefore encouraging and nurturing one's everyday actions to grow out of and be guided by this spiritual transformation.

Based on his lifelong ministries to women, men and children on a spiritual path, to prison inmates, to those seeking social and political justice, to people of alcohol, substance and other addictions, to males seeking a deeper spirituality in their lives, Fr. Rohr will draw deeply from his Christian contemplative roots and personal ministries to communicate his unique and engaging 21st Century gospel message of personal healing, abiding inner peace, and practical ways to daily live the message.

The talk, entitled "Contemplation (and Action) in the 21st Century" is being co-sponsored by Contemplative Outreach of San Francisco and the Jesuit USF's Department of Theology and Religious Studies.

Proceeds of this Bay area-wide event will be used for Contemplative Outreach Prison Ministry in Northern

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California prisons and jails, both training volunteers to teach and bring Centering Prayer to inmates and also to provide books for the prayer libraries in prison institutions.

Suggested donation \$25 in advance and \$35 at the door. Scholarships available. All University and high school students in the Bay Area admitted free with student ID.

For adults, to pre-register and ensure seating at \$25, make check payable to "Contemplative Outreach of San Francisco" and mail check to Mary Wyman, Event Coordinator, 202 Roosevelt Way, San Francisco, CA 94114. Tickets will be in will-call at the door.

Please note: Organizations and prayer groups purchasing 6 or more paid tickets at one time will receive one free admission. Please specify names of attendees with each check.

For more information, call Mary Wyman at 415-431-8590 or email mary.wyman@yahoo.com

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