



## SNI DAILY SCHEDULE

### **-GENERIC SAMPLE COPY-**

*Please be advised that this year's actual schedule is distributed upon participant's arrival at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center, where the St. Nicholas Institute is hosted each fall.*

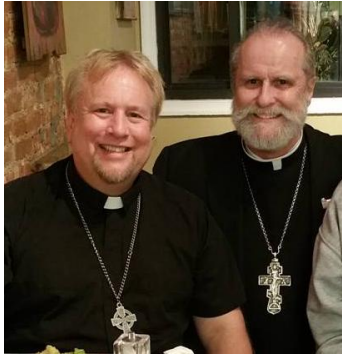
*The generic scheduling information, below, is for the benefit of those who may be attending this fall for the very first time.*

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER**

**4:30-5:30 p.m.** Arrive at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center

*(Check-in, registration, pay balance of enrollment stipend, assignment of private rooms)*

**5:30-6:30 p.m.** Supper *(Refectory)*



**6:30-8:00 p.m.** Session 1; Part 1: Welcome and Introductions (Main Conference Room)

**Co-Presenters:** Fr. Joseph Marquis, *executive director* & Rev. Rennie Kaufmann, *Associate Director*

**8:00 - 8:15 p.m.** Break

**8:15 pm. – 9:00 p.m.** Session I; Part 2: **Co-Presenters:** Fr. Joseph Marquis, *Executive Director*/ Rev. Rennie Kaufmann, *Associate Director* (Main Conference Room)

**9:05 – 9:30 p.m. Night Prayer with Rev. Rennie** (Retreat Center Chapel)

**9:30 p.m.-? Informal Evening Social** (Main Conference Room)

## **TUESDAY**

**7:00 a.m. Rise and Shine**

**7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer with Fr. Joseph** (Retreat Center Chapel)

**8:00 – 8:45 a.m. FULL Breakfast** (Dining Room)

**8:45-9:00 a.m.: "Wake-Up, You Sleepy-Heads"** (Musical Warm-Up)

**Staff Performer: Rev. Rennie Kaufmann, Associate Director** (Main Conference Room)

**9:00-9:45 a.m. Session II: "St. Nicholas: Presenter: Fr. Joseph, St. Nicholas Institute  
Basilica of St. Nicholas, Bari, Italy**



**9:45 10:00 a.m. Musical Interlude, Staff Presenter: Rev. Rennie Kaufmann**

**10:00 – 10:25 a.m. Session III:** (Main Conference Room)

**10:30 – 11:30 Guest Presenter: Fr. Patrick Lowery** (Main Conference Room)

**11:30- 12 noon Saint Nicholas** (Main Conference Room)

**12noon - 1:00 p.m.: Lunch** (Dining Room)

**1:00-2:00 p.m. Afternoon Break** (*Siesta Time / Private Prayer / Relax and/or Explore the Lovely Grounds of the Retreat Center*)

**2:00-4:00 p.m. Session IV,; Part 1: "Kris and Make-Up":** *An exploration of a variety of professional Santa Claus make-up techniques."*

**Presenter: Ron Wolek, author, *The Professional Santa Makeup Manual*.**

*Ron has a rich background as a highly respected Hair & Makeup Professional, who has served as: Supervisor (1st National Tour of "War Horse;" Disneyland Training Supervisor for 50+ wig stylists; "Walt Disney World Christmas Parade", ABC TV; 2007-2010), Recently, Ron provided his extensive talents for the film production of, "Santa Stole Our Dog!", starring Ed Asner in the title role as Santa Claus. (Main Conference Room)*

**4:15 – 4:30 p.m.: Break**

**5:00 -5:30 p.m.:** Session IV; **Part 2: “Let’s Not Split Hairs”:** Professional Santa Natural Beard Care Tip; **Presenter: Ron Wolek.**

**Presenter: Ron Wolek, author, *The Professional Santa Makeup Manual.***

**NOTE: St. Nicholas Institute souvenir items on sale.** All proceeds benefit the ministry of the Institute and its annual “**Christmas Express,**” which benefits disadvantaged children and their families. Both are services of Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church, Livonia, MI.

**5:30-6:30 p.m. Supper** (Dining Room)

**6:30-6:45 p.m. Musical Interlude, Staff Performer: Rev. Rennie Kaufmann**

**6:45 -9:00 p.m. Session V: “Tuesday Night at the Movies”** (Special Film & Post Film Group Discussion)

**9:00 – 9:30 p.m.: Night Prayer with Fr. Patrick** (Retreat Center Chapel)

**9:30-(?) : Informal Evening Social** (Main Conference Room)

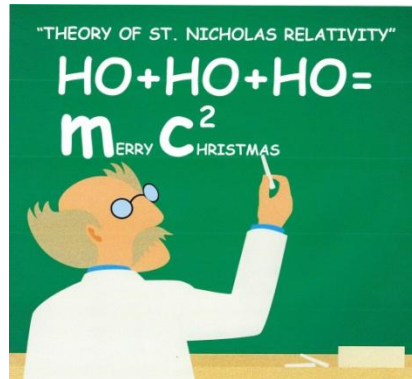
### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2018**

**7:00 a.m.:** Rise and Shine

**7:45 a.m.:** Morning Prayer with **Fr. Pat** (Retreat Center Chapel)

**8:00 a.m.:** FULL Breakfast (Dining Room)

**8:50 a.m.:** Musical Interlude "Laughin' Ho-Ho-Ho!"  
**Staff Presenter: Rev. Rennie Kaufmann**



**9:00-10:15 a.m. Session VI “St. Nicholas: A Down-to-Earth Embodiment of the HO-HO-HOLY”**

**Presenter: Fr. Joseph**

**10:00-10:15 a.m. Musical Interlude, Staff Performer: Rev. Rennie Kaufmann**

**11:00 a.m.-12 noon Session VII: "Saint to Santa: How St. Nicholas Became Santa Claus."**  
**Presenter: Fr. Joseph**

*Children’s educational DVD presentation. Presenter: Fr. Joseph*

**12 noon - 1:00 p.m. Lunch** (Dining Room)

**1:00-2:20 p.m. After Lunch Break Period** (Siesta Time / Private Prayer / Explore Retreat Grounds)

**2:30-4:30 p.m. Session VIII: “Santa Claus (Mrs. Claus) Vocal Color / Stage Presence”**  
(*Luke 2: 8-15, 17-1*) (Main Conference Room)

**Presenter: Catrina Ganey** (*New York Stage and Screen Actress*)

**4:30 – 4:50 p.m. Group Photo Opportunity** (Outdoor Courtyard) ***NOTE: Don't forget to bring your camera!***

**4:50 - 5:20 p.m. Prepare for Awards Banquet**

**5:30 – 6:10 p.m.: Pre-Banquet “Meet & Greet” Banquet Guests** (Retreat Center General Assembly Area)

**6:10 – 9:00 p.m.: Annual St. Nicholas Institute Awards Banquet**



*The Annual SNI Awards Banquet is hosted at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center’s Dining Room.*

**Musical Entertainment: Rennie & Esther Kaufmann** (*Father/Daughter Vocalists*)



### **St. Nicholas Institute Certificates of Achievement**

*During the annual Awards Gala, each St. Nicholas Institute participant receives the **Certificate of Achievement**, appropriate to the respective year(s) of attendance.*



### Order of St. Nicholas Medal Recipient(s)

**Ordinis Sancti Nicolaus Numisma** © ("Order of St. Nicholas Medal"): The medal (pictured above) is to be presented to all members of the St. Nicholas Institute Alumni who have completed four year of formation.



**Order of St. Nicholas Medal & Ribbon** (shown above).  
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Conferred upon **fourth year alumni** are received as full members of the **Order of St. Nicholas**, upon conferral of the "**Order of St. Nicholas Medal**" © ("Ordinis Sancti Nicolai Numisma") ("Order of St. Nicholas Medal"). Presented to all members of the St. Nicholas Institute Alumni who have completed four year of formation.



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**St. Nicholas Medal of Honor Recipient(s)**

*Sancte Nicolaus Numisma Honoris* © ("St. Nicholas Medal of Honor"): The medal is presented to all members of the St. Nicholas Institute Alumni who have completed eight years of formation. Each recipient



**8:50 p.m.:** In lieu of conducting Night Prayer in the Retreat Center's chapel, a brief benediction will be offered in Dining Room, at the conclusion of the Awards Banquet.

**9:00 p.m.:** Conclusion of Awards Banquet

**THURSDAY**

**7:00 a.m.:** Rise and Shine

**7:20 - 7:40 a.m.** Departure Prep

St. Paul of the Cross requests that each room is: stripped of bed sheets and pillow cases, and all towels (NOTE: Laundry hampers are found in the retreat center's hallways). Please remember to pack travel bags in advance for departure.

**7:45 a.m.:** Morning Prayer with Rev. Rennie (Retreat Center Chapel)

**8:00 – 8:45 a.m.:** FULL Breakfast (Dining Room)

**8:45 -9:10 a.m.,**Session IX: “Saint Nicholas’ Way with Grown-Ups”  
Presenter: Santa Norm Gerring, OSN

**9:15 – 10:50 a.m.:-**“Wrap-Up” Session : Group Sharing (Main Conference Room) Facilitators: Fr. Joseph and Rev. Rennie Kaufmann.

**11:00 – 11:45 a.m.:** Closing Prayer Service for Institute Participants.

Those who wish to do so (whether they be either Catholic or non-Catholic) will be blessed with the “**Manna of St. Nicholas**” at the end of the prayer service.

\*NOTE: The “**Manna of St. Nicholas**” is a liquid that has miraculously flowed from the bones of St. Nicholas of Myra for centuries, and continues to do so to this very day (see: Numbers 20:11).



**12 Noon:** Informal Group Photo Op (Retreat House Courtyard) NOTE: Don't forget to bring your camera!

**12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.** Departure Time

**LUNCHES “TO GO”** Bag lunches will be available to all Institute participants.

FINAL NOTE: If you are able to do so, your kind assistance with “clean-up and pack-up” of duties following the conclusion of the St. Nicholas Institute, will be greatly appreciated.