

## Presenter

Kathleen Duffy, SSJ, PhD

Kathleen Duffy, SSJ is Professor of Physics at Chestnut Hill College, where she directs the Interdisciplinary Honors Program and the Institute for Religion and Science. She is editor of Teilhard Studies and serves on the Advisory Boards of the American Teilhard Association and Cosmos and Creation. Her present research deals with the way Teilhard de Chardin's religious writings connect with modern science. She has published several book chapters and articles on these topics, an edited volume of essays entitled



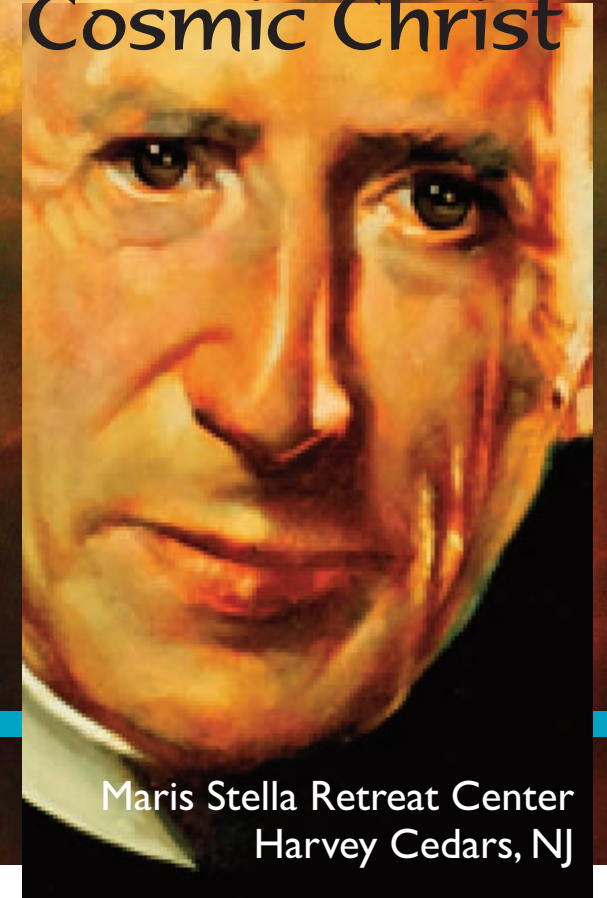
*Rediscovering Teilhard's Fire* (St. Joseph's University Press, 2010), and *Teilhard's Mysticism: Seeing the Inner Face of Evolution* (Orbis Books, 2014).

The day will come when,  
after harnessing space,  
the winds, the tides,  
and gravitation, we shall  
harness for God the  
energies of love. And on  
that day, for the second  
time in the history of the  
world, we shall have  
discovered fire.

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin  
From "Toward the Future," 1936

RETREAT  
June 25 - July 1, 2017

## Teilhard's Mysticism: Spiraling into the Cosmic Christ

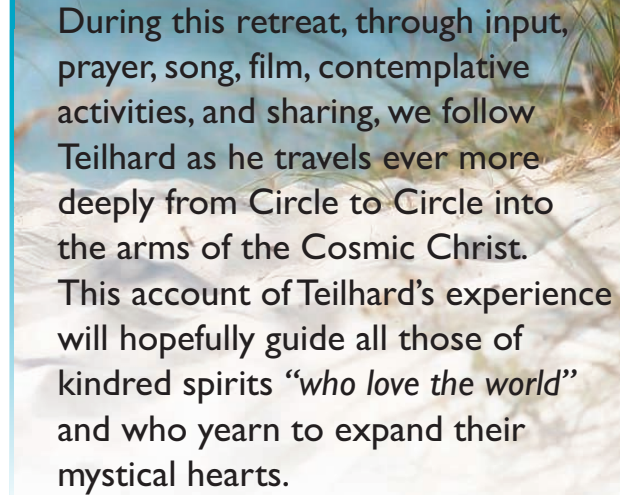


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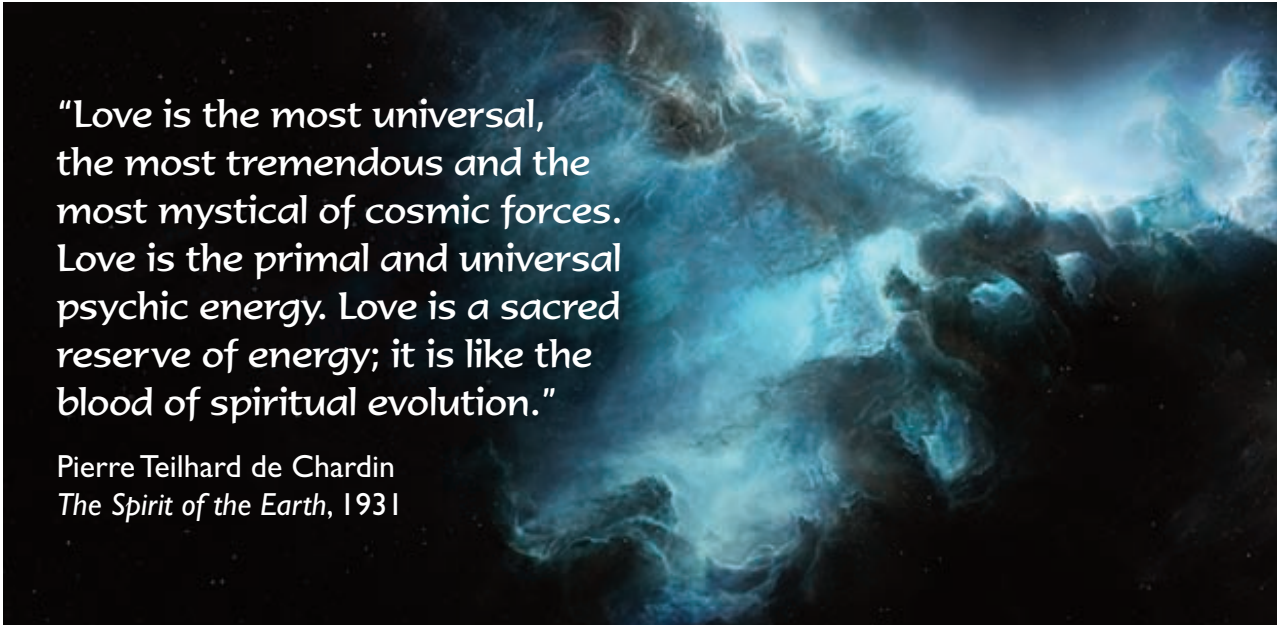
Jesuit paleontologist Pierre Teilhard de Chardin has developed one of the most creative approaches to mysticism in modern times.

He describes the stages of his mystical growth in terms of five concentric circles.

These circles provided him with a sacred path into an ever deepening reality, a reality that is informed as much by the science of his time as it is by his religious tradition. They help us trace his growth and development as he plunged ever more deeply into the heart of matter and into the heart of God, where he found the radiance of a loving, cosmic Person - the God for evolution.



During this retreat, through input, prayer, song, film, contemplative activities, and sharing, we follow Teilhard as he travels ever more deeply from Circle to Circle into the arms of the Cosmic Christ. This account of Teilhard's experience will hopefully guide all those of kindred spirits "who love the world" and who yearn to expand their mystical hearts.



"Love is the most universal, the most tremendous and the most mystical of cosmic forces. Love is the primal and universal psychic energy. Love is a sacred reserve of energy; it is like the blood of spiritual evolution."

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin  
*The Spirit of the Earth*, 1931

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## TEILHARD'S MYSTICISM: Spiraling into the Cosmic Christ

Presenter: Kathleen Duffy, SSJ

Coordinators: Ann Marie Rimmer, OP,  
Jeanne Goyette, OP

### Accommodations:

Accommodations are simple but adequate; private rooms with shared bathrooms off the corridor. There is a lovely chapel overlooking the water. A beautiful setting on the ocean and bay.

**MARIS STELLA** offers an atmosphere of prayer and quiet, whether praying in the chapel, walking or sitting quietly by the Bay or Ocean.

### Cost

**Total cost** is \$625.

**Deposit** of \$150 is due with completed registration form. Deposit is non-refundable after May 1, 2017.

Space is limited so registration form and deposit are due ASAP.

**Balance** of \$475 is due May 1, 2017.

**Checks payable:** Sisters of Saint Dominic

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