Retreat is limited to ten participants.

**Cost:**
$500 which includes $50 nonrefundable deposit sent with registration. Balance of $450 due upon arrival.

**Facilitators:**
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**Retreat into the Universe Story**

**What is Earth Asking?**

July 29 – August 4, 2016
5:00pm – 11am

*Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat*
2554 145th Avenue
Wheatland, IA 52777
Retreat into the Universe Story

This silent retreat includes morning ritual, presentations, time to commune with nature, videos and an optional sharing later each day.

Presentations include:
- Birthing a New Story: The Universe Story
- Exploring the Nature of the Universe in its Guiding Principles
- Experiencing a Council of All Beings
- Gleaning Wisdom from Models and Mentors
- Living the Universe Story

Come…
- deepen your awareness that the Universe is the primary revelation of the Divine
- awaken a consciousness of the sacredness of Earth and her cries for help at this critical time
- experience the single integral community of Earth – oak trees, deer, squirrels, humans – and ponder their rights to be recognized, revered, and supported by us.

Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat is a ministry of the Congregation of the Humility of Mary, located in rural east central Iowa on a 200-acre native prairie grass woodland along the Wapsipinicon River. The Prairie offers quiet beauty conducive to personal prayer and reflection. Includes: a 2.5 mile cosmic walk, outdoor labyrinth, pond, 130 acres of rolling prairie grasses, 30 acres of woodland, a handicapped accessible room. Meals are vegetarian. Please provide for your own special dietary needs.

“We need to go to the Earth as the source whence we came and ask for its guidance. We cannot discover ourselves without first discovering the Earth and the imperatives of our own being.”

--Thomas Berry

“There is a great book: the very appearance of created things. Look above you! Look below you! Note it. Read it... Can you ask for a louder voice than that?”

--St. Augustine, Sermon 126, The Essential Augustine, adapted.