

# ECCLESIA DOMESTICA

## WHO ARE WE?

Ecclesia Domestica is a Latin phrase which signifies "The Domestic Church" or "the church in the home". The Christian family is the first cell of the life of the Universal Church! Our mission is to facilitate retreats where you can celebrate the Sacraments, including the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and Reconciliation. Join with other women in prayer such as the Most Holy Rosary, Angelus, Liturgy of the Hours, Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Grow in faith through large group and small group sessions, and have ample time for individual prayer and reflection. Additionally, each retreatant is offered private spiritual direction with a priest or deacon. These features all come together to form a wonderful opportunity to grow in your Catholic faith!



*"Faith is to believe what you do not see. The reward of this faith, is to see what you believe."*  
– St. Augustine

JESUS YEARNS TO REMOVE  
THE VEIL FROM OUR EYES.



**"WHENEVER A PERSON TURNS TO THE LORD THE VEIL IS REMOVED. ALL OF US, GAZING WITH UNVEILED FACE ON THE GLORY OF THE LORD, ARE BEING TRANSFORMED INTO THE SAME IMAGE FROM GLORY TO GLORY, AS FROM THE LORD WHO IS THE SPIRIT."**

– 2 CORINTHIANS 3:16,18

## **UNVEILED**

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### SEEING WITH EYES OPENED BY FAITH

AN ECCLESIA DOMESTICA RETREAT

**When:** May 30 to June 1, 2025  
Registration starts 8:30am Friday  
First talk 9:30am  
Ends about noon Sunday

**Where:** Abbey of the Hills Retreat Center  
46561 147th St  
Marvin, SD 57251

**Cost:** \$300 - Includes accommodations & meals  
\$200 - Students rate

**To Register:**  
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SCAN TO REGISTER

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## SEEING WITH EYES OPENED BY FAITH



SEE THE WORLD AND YOURSELF, IN  
A WHOLE NEW WAY... SEE WITH EYES  
OPENED BY FAITH

YOU ARE BEING CALLED  
TO JOIN US FOR A  
THREE-DAY RETREAT  
FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN



**MAY 30 - JUNE 1, 2025**  
**ABBEY OF THE HILLS**  
**RETREAT CENTER**  
**MARVIN, SD**

## WE LOOK AT THE WORLD THROUGH VEILED EYES.



We each have different veils that cloud our sight. For some it is the darkness of despair, hopelessness which steals the joy of life. Some of us are trapped in our sin, mired in shame and guilt. For some it is the noise of the world, confusion that keep us from embracing our true identity as women. For others it is pain from wounds both in our bodies and our hearts.

The enemy has taken advantage of our wounds, and placed lies in our path, like traps hidden in the grass. You have to be perfect, you have to have it all together, you have to accomplish everything on your own, and if you can't, you're weak. The world has tried to enforce its own vision of what it means to be a modern woman, and blind us to the beauty of God's plan for womanhood.

Paul was blinded by the lies he'd come to believe, but through faith, the scales that obscured his vision were removed and his sight restored. The Lord wants the same for each one of us. He hungers for us to accept His healing, His mercy, He yearns to remove the scales from our eyes. It's time to reveal the devil's lies, and cast off the veils that blind us. Embrace faith in Jesus Christ, embrace the love and mercy that He thirsts to offer you. Embrace the Father's love for you and let the veil be lifted. See the world, and yourself, in a whole new way...see with eyes opened by faith.



## WHAT TO EXPECT ON THIS RETREAT

### EUCHARIST

Since the Eucharist is the pinnacle of all the sacraments, we celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass each day on retreat.

### LARGE GROUP

Our large group sessions are designed for Praise & Worship, prayer, teaching and testimonies.

### SMALL GROUP

Our small groups are designed for a more intimate approach in sharing and in prayer.

### MEALS

Breaking bread together fosters a spirit of sisterhood and family. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided, as well as overnight accommodation. Bring snacks to share.

## EXPERIENCE THE HEALING POWER OF PRAYER

Saturday evening is devoted to Prayer Ministry. This is an opportunity for you to experience firsthand the healing power of the Holy Spirit. Whether you are in need of spiritual, emotional or physical healing, our prayer teams will help you unlock the power of the holy name of Jesus. With healing and deliverance comes true freedom, allowing you to open yourself to the Lord in new and profound ways, and truly come alive in Jesus Christ.



### SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Retreatants will have an opportunity for private spiritual direction with a priest or deacon while on the retreat.

### CONFESSION

It is recommended you receive the sacrament before you arrive for the retreat. However, our priests will be available to hear confessions throughout the weekend.

### ROSARY

We will pray the Rosary daily.

### ADORATION

There will be opportunities for adoration throughout the Retreat. This will give you the opportunity to sit with our Lord.

## SAVE THE DATE

*Upcoming Ecclesia Domestica Retreats*

*May 30 - June 1, 2025*

*Women's Retreat*

*Abbey of the Hills - Marvin, SD*

*September 12 - 14, 2025*

*Men's Retreat*

*Central MN TEC Center - Little Falls, MN*

*November 21 - 23, 2025*

*Men's Retreat*

*Pastoral Retreat Center - Crookston, MN*