

EPIPHANY RETREAT AT BISHOP'S RANCH

Friday, September 4th through Monday, September 7th, 2009

Our annual weekend at Bishop's Ranch promises to be as rewarding and rejuvenating as previous year's trips. Parishioners, friends and family members are invited to recharge their bodies and minds and enrich their souls during this weekend of fun and fellowship!

Bishop's Ranch is situated on a sunny knoll among the forests, farms and vineyards of Sonoma County, about five miles west of Healdsburg (two hours north of San Carlos). The Episcopal Diocese of California has owned this gathering place since 1947. The original two-story Spanish-style home (The Ranch House) was built in 1930 and still has the charm of bygone days, including a huge fireplace and grand piano in the living room and vines rambling up to the balconies above. Green lawns, peaceful gardens, a beautiful chapel, a playground, tree house, and swimming pool, and caring staff make Bishop's Ranch a special place of renewal.

The retreat is scheduled from Saturday morning to Monday afternoon Labor Day Weekend. You may arrive either Friday evening or by Saturday lunch-time. There will be a wide range of activities to suit all tastes (families and singles, adults, kids, and teens, alike). The diversity of ages and interests is what enriches the experience for all who attend. Time for quiet reflection, worship, community building and fellowship are a big part of the experience. There is also ample time for other activities, like swimming, singing and story-telling, volleyball, campfires, nature walks, visiting the tree house and wine tasting – just to name a few. If you have a consuming passion for great food, you won't be disappointed with the delicious home-cooked meals featuring fresh herbs and vegetables grown in the Ranch's garden.

The comfortable accommodations offered at Bishop's Ranch include:

- *St. Stephen's Youth Village* – Arranged in a semi-circle below an expanse of lawn, gardens, and grape arbors, close to the pool, are charming cottages that sleep a total of 35 people. Each cabin sleeps up to 7 (perfect for families with infants and small children).
- *Webb Lodge* – An Adult only facility. There are limited rooms available in this peaceful lodge.
- *Kay Qvale Ranch House* – A group house with shared living room and dining room area, appropriate for families.
- *Camping* – Available on a limited (first sign-up, first serve) basis.

To reserve your place, complete the Bishop's Ranch Reservation Form and send it, with your payment, to the Epiphany Church Office, Attn: Bishop's Ranch. **Please be sure to indicate "Bishop's Ranch" on your check notes field.** You will receive an information email with all details, room assignment, and more information about scheduled activities several weeks before the event.

Some financial assistance is available for those who want to attend the weekend, but are held back by cost. . Please speak with Melanie Donahoe. We want everyone who wants to attend to have the opportunity

If you have any questions or would like to help with planning for the weekend, please contact Mallory Stevens (650-366-0570 or mallory@pacbell.net).

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Adult Attendees: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____

PRICING FOR THE WEEKEND:

Accommodation	Arrival Day	Adult	Youth <i>(13 to 18 years)</i>	Child <i>(3 to 12 years)</i>
<i>Camping</i>	<i>Friday (3 nights)</i>	\$160	\$105	\$79
	<i>Saturday (2 nights)</i>	\$130	\$85	\$65
<i>Family Accommodations: St. Stephen Youth Village</i>	<i>Friday (3 nights)</i>	\$240	\$160	\$115
	<i>Saturday (2 nights)</i>	\$184	\$125	\$90
<i>Kay Qvale Ranch House</i>	<i>Friday (3 nights)</i>	\$250	\$165	\$125
	<i>Saturday (2 nights)</i>	\$190	\$130	\$95
<i>Adult Only Accommodations: Web Lodge</i>	<i>Friday (3 nights)</i>	\$275	N/A	N/A
	<i>Saturday (2 nights)</i>	\$210	N/A	N/A

- Children 2 and under are no charge.

Calculate Cost:

	# of Participants	X	Cost	=	Total
Adult:	_____	X	_____	=	_____
Youth:	_____	X	_____	=	_____
Child:	_____	X	_____	=	_____
Art:	_____	X	\$15.00	=	_____

Scholarship Donation (Optional): _____

Total Due: _____

Full payment is due at time of registration. You will receive a notification of your room assignment, more information and directions to Bishops Ranch three weeks prior to the Retreat. In the event that you must cancel, a refund will be given only **if we are able to fill your place**. If you need to arrange a payment plan, in lieu of full payment, please notify us on your form and we will do our best to accommodate you. If you would like to donate a small amount to help subsidize the fees for someone who would otherwise be unable to attend, please indicate the amount above. Your help for this scholarship fund is appreciated!

Accommodation Preference (Please indicate 1st and 2nd choices):

Family Accommodations

- _____ *St. Stephen's Cottages*
 _____ *Kay Qvale Ranch House*
 _____ *Camping*

Adult Accommodations

- _____ *Webb Lodge (ADULT ONLY)*
 _____ *Kay Qvale Ranch House*
 _____ *Camping*

Special Requests: We will do our best to accommodate preferences regarding proximity to friends or choice of family accommodation locations, if possible, but your flexibility is appreciated: _____

CHILDREN & YOUTH ATTENDEES:

Please list all children attending, including infants, and their ages, for planning purposes. In addition, we will be planning a 1 ½ hour art class for children 5 and up, if there is enough interest. Please mark as indicated if you are interested:

Name	Age	Art Class (Y/N)	Baby-sitting (Y/N)
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

Saturday arrivals will be provided with 7 meals (Saturday lunch through Monday lunch). Friday arrivals will be given breakfast on Saturday as well. No refunds are provided for missed meals. Friday dinner is not provided, so can be a shared meal or dinner out in Healdsburg. For planning purposes, please indicate if you will be unable to attend the following meal: _____ *Monday lunch*

Special Dietary Requirements (e.g. Vegetarian, food allergies or sensitivities): _____

Massage:

As we have done in previous years, we will be arranging massages (for an additional fee of \$60.00 per hour, payable by check or cash when you receive your massage). If you are interested in having a massage appointment, please provide names and time preference (morning or afternoon):

Name: _____ () *Morning* () *Afternoon*

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If you have any questions, please contact Mallory Stevens (650-366-0570 or mallory@pacbell.net). We encourage anyone who may need assistance with the cost of the retreat to let Mallory know. All financial information will be kept strictly confidential.

Ideas?: What activities would you like to participate in if any? Want to help? We will be working to arrange some activities and provide information that will facilitate other activities. Let us know what you are interested in! In the past, activities have included canoeing, square dancing, campfires, and horseback riding. We want to hear your ideas!
