

## DEMONTREVILLE RETREAT WEEKEND



**St. Ignatius**

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

*Continued Focus:* Openness to God and to the Holy Spirit

*Prayer before Meditation:* Same as this morning

*Exercise:* Discovery of how God is present in my life, my history, my story

*Prayer:*

O, Lord, My God, You called me from the sleep of nothingness  
Merely because in Your tremendous love  
You want to make good and beautiful beings.  
You have called me by my name in my mother's womb.  
You have given me breath and light and movement  
And walked with me every moment of my existence.  
I am amazed, Lord God of the Universe, that you attend to me, and, even more,  
Cherish me. Create in me the faithfulness that moves You,  
And I will trust You and yearn for You all my days. Amen

## **SOME READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE**

1. John 4:1-14: Whoever comes to Jesus never thirsts.
2. John 10:1-21: Jesus is the Good Shepherd; He knows my name
3. Luke 5:27-32: Jesus comes to people like me.
4. Mark 12:1-12: Christ comes to my life; do I receive him?
5. Matthew 14:13-21: Jesus heals and feeds all the hungry people.
6. Mark 9:14-29: I have faith; help my lack of faith.
7. Luke 15:1-32: Three parables about God's merciful love.

### *Suggestions and Reminders:*

- Prayer comes readily when we let it.
- We need only the scriptures, a notebook, and space and time to pray
- When we go to pray, remember that we are in God's holy Presence. Then, take the scripture passage and quietly read through it.

