



**The Full *Spiritual Exercises* of St. Ignatius,
Application Form
(Strictly Confidential)**

Could you please complete this form and return it to:

**Kevin Gallagher
Ignatian Spirituality NZ coordinator
256 Whitecliffs Rd, RD 1 Coalgate, Christchurch 7673**

Or by email to: info@ignatianspirituality.nz

Phone 0277397007

I am applying to make the Full Spiritual Exercises as:

Enclosed Silent Retreat Retreat in Daily Life (please tick one)

**Enclosed Silent Retreat at the Mary McKillop Centre Mission Bay Auckland
November 11 (7pm), to December 14 (9am), 2018,**

**Daily Life Retreat I would like to commence on/...../..... (enter preferred
start date)**

Surname (Block Letters) First Names

Address

Postcode

Telephone (H).....(W).....(Mob).....

Email:.....

The following information will assist us in providing you with an appropriate
spiritual director:

Age next birthday Religious denomination

Status (please tick as appropriate): married single widowed

separated / divorced priest religious Seminarian Present occupation
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If married, state how many years and the number of children.

If priest/religious, please name Diocese/Religious Congregation

Have you had Spiritual Direction?

If so, please state with whom, for how long and how frequently.

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Retreats. Please state the kind and length of retreats you have made

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Courses attended on Prayer, Spirituality and Theology (Over the last ten years)

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Education/Qualifications

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Work Experience

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Have you had psychological counseling? If so, for how long, and how frequently?

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What are your interests, hobbies?

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Describe how you hope the experience of the *Spiritual Exercises* could be helpful in your life and work.

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Retreat Director

You may indicate your preference for a female or male, religious, priest, or a lay person as director, though the final choice is made by the Ignatian Spirituality NZ team in the light of available personal. Do you agree to this?

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Your Retreat Director reserves the right to terminate the *Spiritual Exercises* at any given point should this seem for the better. Do you agree to this?

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Please arrange to have two 'Letters of Recommendation' completed and forwarded to us directly. If you are a religious or a priest, one letter should be completed by your Major Superior/Bishop, and the second by someone who knows you well. For a lay person, two people who know you well can complete the letters.

We interview applicants for the *Spiritual Exercises*. It would be helpful if you could give us some indication of when you would be available for an interview.

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How did you hear about the *Spiritual Exercises*?

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Please write a reflection on your life experience as indicated on page 4.

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Would you kindly reflect on and reply to the following as part of your application process in the form of a short essay. The following may guide your reflections but are not prescriptive.

1. **Personal History:** Describe the significant influences in your personal and spiritual development in each phase of your life.
2. **Vocation:** What led you to chose your present state in life?
How has your lived experience of that call been?
What has been your experience of ministry?
How do you see the next ten years?
3. **Prayer:** Describe your prayer, its frequency, and time given to it.
What has been helpful for your prayer?
How has it changed over time?
What is your image of Jesus?
List some favourite passages of scripture.
4. **Church:** How do you see the Church?
What does membership of the Church mean to you?
5. **Influences:** How do world events touch you?
What has influenced your life most in the last ten years?
6. **The Exercises:** Please state *why* you wish to make the *Spiritual Exercises*, and *why now*?

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Do you know the applicant well enough to complete this form?

How long have you known the applicant? From to

What is your relationship to the applicant?

What qualities make the applicant suitable for the full *Spiritual Exercises*?

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How well does the applicant work with and relate to others?

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Overall Recommendation

..... I recommend the applicant without reservation for the full *Spiritual Exercises*.

..... I have some reservations but would recommend the application.

..... I feel that the applicant is suitable, but this is not a good time to do the full *Spiritual Exercises*.

..... I would not recommend the applicant.

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Address:

Signature:Date:.....

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