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"Il-Kontemplazzjoni: Twaħħid mas-Salib ta' Kristu"

Dates:

20-21, 28 February 2015

Speakers:

Glen Attard O.Carm. Ivan Scicluna O.Carm.

Description:

The word "contemplation" seems to put some people in two different reactions. One is indifference, claiming that contemplation is religious people closed behind closed doors and gates, the other panic, claiming that one could never achieve a high state of sanctity here on earth as the saints did. Clearly, many people seem to think that contemplation is really not for them. This seminar will seek to strip this word back to its roots, whilst exploring how this word – or, rather, "attitude" – is understood in Carmelite Spiritualty. Moreover, the intention of this seminar is to make those who attend aware that even in those circumstances where we might think contemplation does not feature, the Carmelite mind joins the invisible dots between God and man, such that this transforms the heart and sees the world evermore with God's eyes.

Method:

Reading and interpretation of fundamental Carmelite texts such as Carmelite Rule, Institution of First Monks, ven. John of St Samson and br Lawrence of the Resurrection, etc.

Language:

Maltese or English (depending on audience)

Venue:

Carmelite Priory, Villegaignon Street

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Attendance Fee:

Free

Programme:

Friday 20th February 2015

17:30	Session 1 (p. Glen)
18:30	Break
18:45	Session 2 (p. Glen)
20:00	Evening Prayers

Saturday 28th February 2015

09:30	Session 7 (p. Ivan)
10:30	Break
10:45	Session 8 (p. Ivan)
11:45	Workshop (p. Glen)
12:30	Conclusion

Saturday 21st February 2015

09:30	Session 3 (p. Glen)
10:30	Break
10:45	Session 4 (p. Glen)
11:45	Workshop (p. Glen)
12:30	Break
14:30	Session 5 (p. Ivan)
15:30	Break
15:45	Session 6 (p. Ivan)