

GREATER NORTHWEST
5 DAY ACADEMY
FOR SPIRITUAL FORMATION

THE GIFTS OF DARKNESS

**We're taught to fear and flee
darkness and dark times.
But the gifts of God's presence
await when we learn to face
and befriend the dark.**

APRIL 21-26, 2026

**Archbishop Brunett Retreat
Center Federal Way WA**

Registration

\$1030 by 1/15/26

\$1130 after 1/15/26

scholarships available

Fee includes tuition, private room with bath, and all meals. Retreat center offers Puget Sound views, trails, labyrinth, and library.



\$100 nonrefundable deposit
reserves space until 3/15/26.

Register Online

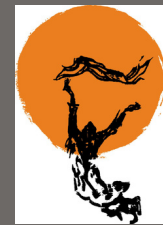
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Spiritual Formation

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The Academy for Spiritual Formation creates transformative space for communion with God, self, others, and creation for the sake of the world. Daily rhythm includes morning & evening prayer, worship with Eucharist, study led by faculty, reflection time, silence, community sharing, listening circles, & free time.

Faculty: Rachel Barenblat

Spiritual Director, Poet, Parent, Rabbi at
Congregation Beth Isreal of the Berkshires.

Topic: *Descent for the Sake of Ascent*

Faculty: Juan Carlos Huertas

Follower of Jesus, Husband, Father, Spiritual
Director, Minister of Proclamation and Practice
of Justice at First-Plymouth Congregational
Church in Lincoln, NE.

Topic: *Embracing Hopelessness:
Lament, Critique, & Esperanza*

