



Sr. Marie Paul Curley, FSP

BIOGRAPHY & BACKGROUND

Sister Marie Paul Curley is a member of the Daughters of St. Paul (www.DaughtersofStPaul.com), who seek to communicate Christ in their lives and through the media. Originally from the Boston area, Sr. Marie Paul entered the Daughters of St. Paul while a teenager, and she has made a daily Hour of Adoration ever since. Along with her formation to become a sister, Sr. Marie Paul has a background in producing and writing Catholic home video and cable TV productions. She has published several books, comments on current films on Catholic radio, and blogs weekly on Catholic media spirituality and discernment. She has guided retreats and Faith & Film Movie Nights for Catholics across the USA and Canada, as well as serving as vocation director, accompanying young women discerning their vocations. Sr. Marie Paul is currently missioned at the publishing house of the Daughters of St. Paul in Boston, MA, where she continues to write for Pauline Books & Media.

As an author and speaker, Sr. Marie Paul's central themes are: God's love for us revealed in Christ, the Eucharist, Pauline spirituality, the Word of God, a Catholic approach to self-esteem, holiness and the saints, discernment, the dialogue between faith and culture, and spirituality for writers and communicators. In her presentations Sr. Marie Paul offers a multi-media, participative approach, using film clips, visuals, small-group interaction, and prayer experiences for both teens and adults. Presentations can be adapted as needed.

FEEDBACK FROM PARTICIPANTS:

"It was such a gift to have Sr. Marie Paul join us. She really challenged the young adults and me to allow the Word of God to 'sink deep' into our very being. The young adults were impressed with her love for Mission and her profound depth of Spirituality. Her talk became a great boost to our practice of *Lectio Divina* before Jesus present in the Eucharist." – Father Michael Harrington

"[The retreat] was completely a positive experience, a wonderful combination of prayer and reflection. I enjoyed the inserted stories and visual enhancements, plus the vitality of Sr. Marie Paul as a speaker, which kept me absorbed in everything that was going on." – Patricia S.

SR. MARIE PAUL'S TOP WORKSHOPS & RETREATS:

Several of the following presentations can be either workshops/conferences or retreats.

SOUL OF CHRIST: A FACE-TO-FACE ENCOUNTER WITH THE EUCHARISTIC JESUS Mini-Retreat

The Eucharist is the Heart of the world, the Church, our digital age, and our very lives. Sister Marie Paul reflects on the beautifully rich and timeless *Anima Christi* prayer to draw us deeper into Christ's Eucharistic love so that Jesus can transform us. (Conference usually followed by a guided hour of adoration.)

SEE YOURSELF THROUGH GOD'S EYES: A Retreat on God's Love To Grow in Self-Esteem

This retreat focuses on God's love for us, our image of God, and our image of ourselves in God's eyes, which help us to root our identity and spiritual lives in God's unconditional and unshakable love for us. Sister's reflections are

drawn from her personal experience of discovering God's love for her. Retreat includes: conferences, guided and silent prayer, and multi-media reflections.

LIVING THE EUCHARISTIC MYSTERY IN EVERYDAY LIFE Conference

What does it mean to have a "Eucharistic spirituality"? What is the connection between the Mass and every day life? How and why does one begin making Eucharistic adoration? What if our prayer suddenly dries up—how do we continue making Eucharistic adoration? Sister Marie Paul explores what it means to live a Eucharistic life, and how to continually nurture the "Eucharistic amazement" Pope St. John Paul invited us to live.

DISCERNMENT: DISCOVERING GOD'S DREAM FOR YOU Conference/Workshop

Discernment is a spiritual art and a lifestyle that helps us to truly seek and live God's will. This workshop makes discernment accessible to any Catholic, exploring the foundational principles of discernment, addressing obstacles to daily discerning God's call, and encouraging confidence in God's loving Providence for our lives. For more information, check out Sr. Marie Paul's blog on discernment at www.CoAuthorYourLifewithGod.com.

This workshop can be tailored specifically for vocational discernment, as well as being offered as a retreat.

SAINTS ALIVE! OUR VOCATION TO HOLINESS Workshop

As Catholics, we are all called to be "saints alive"—to live the Gospel, the Beatitudes, and a full sacramental life. By exploring the lives of various saints who lived their unique call to holiness as real people, we can be inspired anew in how we can live our personal call to love God and others.

WINDOWS TO THE SOUL: A PAULINE DIALOGUE BETWEEN FAITH & OUR DIGITAL AGE

Every artistic effort, every media production, is a window to the soul of its creator. Our media culture is also a window—to the soul of humanity. As followers of Christ immersed in social media, we are called to respond to the needs of humanity in our day-to-day lives and through the media that we consume, share, and create. Sr. Marie Paul's personal musings on the spirituality of a Catholic media artist can be directed towards:

- a) ordinary Catholics, encouraging them to engage in the dialogue between faith and media, including using social media, with suggestions for how to do this effectively; and/or
- b) Christian writers and media producers, supporting their reflection and deepening of their spirituality as communicators, from a Pauline perspective

Other presentations include: *Religious Life 101: Discovering the Beauty of Consecrated Life and Discerning Your Vocation Encounter: A Communicative Lifestyle* * *Writing as a Spiritual Adventure* * *Spirituality for Media Artists*
Living Our Faith in a Media World * *Media Mindfulness & Cinema Divina: Viewing Films Through the Lens of Faith*

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www.CoauthorYourLifewithGod.com a Spiritual, Personal, Practical Approach to Discernment

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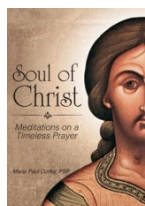
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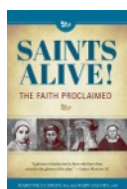
EXCERPT OF ONE OF SISTER'S TALKS ONLINE:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sHSOdGqUi9Q&list=PLexvJr81RFYo2BLLATwPvciML3xcK6ZEO>

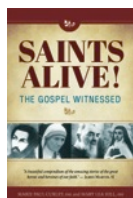
Books & Digital Media by Sr. Marie Paul Curley, FSP



Soul of Christ: Meditations on a Timeless Prayer. Pauline Books & Media, 2014. Explore the richness of this ancient prayer and draw closer to the Eucharistic Christ! Each chapter contains a phrase-by-phrase meditation on one line of this powerful prayer. Includes 12 Holy Hours that could be used for adoration by an individual or group, or simply read for further reflection.



Saints Alive! the Faith Proclaimed co-authored with Sr. Mary Lea Hill, fsp. Pauline Books & Media, 2013. Combining the art of dramatic storytelling with biography, Church history, and Catholic teaching and belief, this is a collection of 30 novelized stories of the saints.



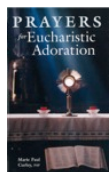
Saints Alive! the Gospel Witnessed co-authored with Sr. Mary Lea Hill, fsp. Pauline Books & Media, 2013. The saints take center stage, showing us how to live a Christian life through the Gospel through these 30 novelized stories.



See Yourself Through God's Eyes—52 Meditations to Grow in Self-Esteem. Pauline Books & Media, 2009. Uses Scripture passages, stories, meditations and short “prayer mantras” to help us discover the truth that we are deeply beloved in God's sight.



See Yourself Through God's Eyes App has 36 excerpts from *See Yourself Through God's Eyes: 52 Meditations to Grow in Self-Esteem*, as well as a message from the author, handy navigation, integration with e-mail, Twitter, etc., for easy sharing with others.



Prayers for Eucharistic Adoration. Pauline Books & Media, 2005. An inexpensive pamphlet for deepening one's Eucharistic prayer that includes “prayer-starters,” readings, prayers according to theme, and a complete hour of adoration. (Shortened version of *Bread of Life*, now out of print.)

All books are available from Pauline Books & Media at: <http://www.pauline.org>.

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