MOUNT CARMEL SPIRITUAL CENTRE

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Lectio Divina

Place yourself in a quiet space Let go of the cares of the day and other distractions

First Reading (Lectio - reading) – read slowly and carefully Silent time What word or phrase in the reading strikes you? Share that with the group Sharing is voluntary – NO DISCUSSION

Second Reading (meditation) – read slowly and carefully the passage again Silent time

What questions emerge from this text?

What do you think or feel the scripture text is trying to say?

Share your thoughts with the group

Sharing is voluntary – NO DISCUSSION

Third Reading (prayer – *oratio)* - read slowly and carefully the passage again Silent time

Do I see some things differently?

Is God calling me (us) to a special effort or task?

Is God inviting me and encouraging me to new levels of life, of meaning?

What prayers would you offer? - Praying is voluntary – NO DISCUSSION

Fourth Reading (contemplation) – read slowly and carefully the passage Silent time – a time of quiet being with the Lord

Closing with "Our Father"