



## ***Encountering Mary in Catholicism and Islam: A Devotional***

Date/Time: Sunday, December 9, 2018 3:00pm-4:15pm

Place: Church of the Ascension, 4600 Lynnbrook Dr, Louisville, KY 40220

Many Christians are unaware that Mary (Maryam in Arabic) is the only woman mentioned by name in *The Qur'an* and regarded as the highest of all blessed women. *Surah 19: Maryam*, greatly loved by Muslim women, tells her story more extensively than the Gospels. In this event Catholics and Muslims come together in their devotion to the Blessed Mother in words and sacred music. It is a historic event offered to bridge the chasm between two traditions of our Patriarch Abraham.

### **Presenters:**

**Sister Kathryn Huber**, OSB, is a member of Monastery Immaculate Conception and the Spirituality Ministry of the Sisters of St. Benedict of Ferdinand, IN. A vowed religious for sixty years, she has served as federation president, prioress, retreat minister, principal, teacher, and spiritual guide.

**Dr. Riffat Hassan**, internationally renowned Muslim theologian and activist, Professor Emerita, University of Louisville where she taught for thirty-three years. She is a pioneer of Islamic feminist theology as well as Jewish-Christian-Muslim interreligious dialogue in the U.S.

**Special Devotional Music** from both faith traditions will be provided by harpist **Sister Anita Louise Lowe, OSB** and The Church of the Ascension Musical Ministry led by **Mr. Jamie Gatewood**.

**The Salaam Network** is an interfaith group of educators, peacemakers, artists and supporters from a wide range of backgrounds. **The Network** is committed to building bridges of understanding and harmony from a knowledge-based foundation. The word *salaam* is an Arabic word that means *peace, good will* and *wholeness* and is often used in greetings.

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