

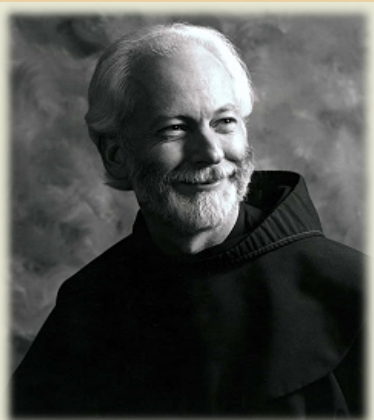
# Looking Toward The Future With Hope

**A silent preached retreat  
with  
Rev. Charles Smiech, OFM**

**Opening with Mass at 5:45 P.M.  
on Sunday May 4, 2008  
Closing with the noon meal  
on Friday, May 9, 2008  
At The Canticle**

**home of the Clinton Franciscans**

**841 Thirteenth Avenue North, Clinton, Iowa**



Charles Smiech, O.F.M.

"I was ordained in 1981, and while I am "contemplative by nature," my message is full of life and joy."

"I received my Masters of Divinity from Christ the King Seminary in East Aurora, N.Y. I continued my studies in spirituality and preaching at St. Michael's College, Toronto, Ontario; Catholic Theological Union in Chicago; the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio; and St. Bonaventure University, N.Y. From 1999-2006 I served as spiritual director and guardian at St. Francis Retreat House in Easton, Penn. Currently I live in Chicago."

"As a Franciscan Friar and an itinerant preacher, I have had the privilege to preach and teach religious congregations, parish missions, retreatants, and inter-faith conferences in Canada, Germany, India, Italy, Jamaica, Mexico, Pakistan and throughout the United States."

"I look forward to sharing with you this faith-filled journey toward the future with hope ."

*Join us at The Canticle, built in  
1997 to sit lightly upon the earth.*

*Pray in the chapel beneath the  
rose window designed to  
reflect the natural  
surroundings.*

*Retreat*

*Relax*

*Refresh*

*Renew your spirit*



**COST: \$75.00**

**Overnight accommodations not available**

**For further information**

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