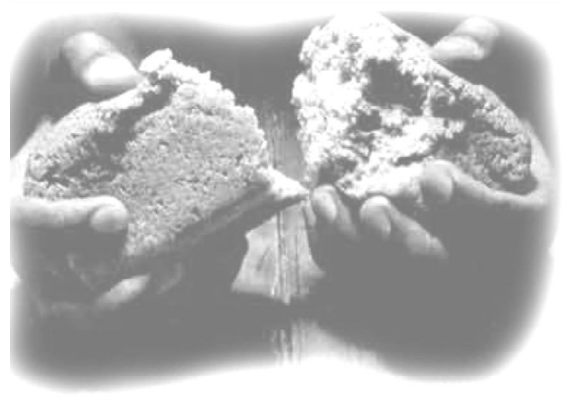


*Last year we had a Community Building Dinner, and it was a great success—good food, good conversation, good entertainment, good community. So, we are planning such a dinner again this year. Same chef, but a new location. Come and join the fun.*

## East Bay Contemplative Outreach Annual Community Building Dinner

**Date:** Sunday, April 11, 2010  
**Time:** 5:00 – 8:00 pm  
**Place:** St. Theresa's Church, Oakland  
**Cost:** \$30 in advance/\$35 at the door, per person  
**Parking:** Free, in the church lot  
 The social hour will begin at 5:00pm, with a no-host bar.  
 Dinner will be served at 6:00pm.



The meal will again be a multicourse, fresh, seasonal, vegetarian dinner, with wine, served family style. Chef Elka Gilmore has long experience cooking professionally, including her own restaurant in San Francisco. She has also cooked for a Centering Prayer retreat at St. Benedict's monastery, Snowmass, Colorado. Last year's dinner was delicious. Don't miss this year's.

St. Theresa Church is at 30 Mandalay Road, in Oakland, though it is simpler to enter from Clarewood Drive.

To reserve your place, RSVP through our website at [www.contemplativeoutreach-norcal.org](http://www.contemplativeoutreach-norcal.org)

or

Send your name, address phone number, and a check for \$30 per person to:

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### ***THE BEGUINES***

#### *Women Mystics Come of Age*

With the dawn of the 13<sup>th</sup> Century, mystical writing was no longer dominated by monks and male theologians who wrote mainly in Latin. Women began to write for the laity in the vernacular. They wrote about their experiences of God and what they felt was important for a person to develop in the spiritual journey from feelings about God to Transformation into Divine Union with God. In part one, we looked at Hedewijch of Antwerp or Brabant. We now move to Mechthild of Magdeburg and Marguerite of Porete.

With **FR. TERRY RYAN, CSP**  
 SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2010  
 9:00 AM TO NOON

*Old St. Mary's Paulist Center*  
 660 California Street (corner of California and Grant), San Francisco, CA

Coffee and treats begin at 9:00 AM. The workshop is free, but a free will offering is welcome.

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