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WRITERS' WORKSHOP

11 November 2026

9:00am - 4:00pm

THE WORD MADE FRESH

Being Inspired, making Connections, building Community

Judith Valente *Guest Presenter*

Judith Valente is an award-winning author, poet, and journalist. She is a sought-after speaker and retreat leader on living a more contemplative life, discovering inner wisdom through poetry, and finding meaning in your work. She is a lay associate of the Benedictine monastery Mount St Scholastica in the US. Judith's 2018 book, How to Live: What The Rule of St Benedict Teaches Us About Happiness, Meaning, and Community, has been used by book group members throughout the world seeking to live a more contemplative life in the secular world. Judith's latest book is The Italian Soul: How to Savor the Full Joys of Life, Hampton Roads 2025.

Ann Rennie *Facilitator*

Ann Rennie is a Melbourne writer. She focuses on things of the spirit and the small wonders of daily life. She writes for connection and community and loves the soul joy of finding the right word at the right time. Ann has written a number of books, has a regular column in Australian Catholics and writes a monthly column shared with five local parishes. Ann has contributed widely to other mainstream media, including The Age, The Australian and The Sydney Morning Herald. Ann also reviews films for Australian Catholics. Her latest book is The Daily Mystic, Garratt Publishing 2026.

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No cost to register however places are strictly limited. ***REGISTRATION CLOSES 30 OCTOBER 2026.***
Light lunch, morning and afternoon tea are included.

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