

# HERMIT FISH

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## Fr. Michael Fish ~ Retreat Master

*Levanté 1* is hosted by Fr. Michael Fish, OSB. CAM, a Camaldolese monk who has created over a dozen popular retreats and has decades of experience as a retreat master and spiritual guide.

Michael's popular retreats are unique, engaging inspirational experiences. He has a gift for intuiting the complexities and distractions that impinge on our ability to call on our own spirituality for comfort and contemplation. Michael has an engaging personality, freely displaying his own vulnerabilities and foibles.

His past retreats have explored such topics as Contemplative ways of being, Finding our inner monk, Thomas Merton – Hermit Pilgrim, preparing for Holy Week and Celtic spiritually.

## A UNIQUE VIDEO RETREAT EXPERIENCE

From Fr. Michael Fish ~ A new video retreat designed to help us find the Divine in everyday life

**L***evanté 1* is the first in a series of Michael Fish's fascinating new streamed online video retreats, designed to help us recognize the opportunities for personal growth that are often hidden within everyday experiences – a springboard inviting fresh perspectives on life's challenges and rewards.

Born of Michael's experiences during his arduous and eventful fourth Camino across Spain, *Levanté 1* is a series of pre-recorded, streamed videos that focus on how simple everyday events hold valuable lessons for living life in the "now." We will learn how viewing each day as a separate, distinct experience can reveal simple, easily overlooked opportunities for us to live more fully in the present and in the presence of the Divine.

In *Levanté 1*, Fr. Michael takes us along during the first five days of his trek across Spain on the Camino Levanté. This route of the Camino de Santiago is by far the road less traveled. Amazing and unpredictable, the Levanté journey provided a wealth of wonderful opportunities to see what God can teach us about each and every life experience. Michael uses his remarkable gift of storytelling and metaphor to show us how these experiences can hold the key to opening our hearts to a wider view of our relationship with ourselves, our families and the world around us.

### ***Levanté 1* retreat includes...**

- A video introduction with Michael Fish
- Five "Day" retreat videos with Michael Fish
- A bonus sixth "Day" retreat video with Michael Fish
- A video conclusion with Michael Fish

## What they're saying about *Levanté 1*...

"I have learned from this retreat. The music, graphics, photos – and, of course, Michael's very pleasing presentation style – made this retreat beautiful and fun as well as inspiring."

– A.S.

"Michael's talks were as always, inspiring, fun, meditative, real."

– D.B.

"Thank you for the wonderful *Levanté 1* Retreat – online. I both enjoyed it and found much for ongoing reflection in the materials. The videos were spectacular. I loved the "passport & stamps" too, a very fun addition."

– D.P.

"Everything worked: the access code; printing the study guides; the recording of the sessions. So grateful for how user-friendly you made it!"

– M.B.

"THANKYOU! The *Levanté* Camino experience was amazing... no words can express the wonder and awe of this weekend retreat with Michael! I sincerely appreciate the incredible ease it was for me to be a participant."

– L.S.

"I really loved viewing the *Levanté 1* retreat from home."

– V.L.

"It has been a most wonderful weekend. While I am sorry it's coming to an end, I know it has really just begun! Thank you for all the materials! And the study guides were beautifully in sync with Michael."

– G.V.

"What a wonderful, intense experience! The 'look-and-feel' is beautiful – visual values, study guide design, etc. The platform and video quality are excellent. But most of all, Fr. Michael succeeds in being present and engaged with a virtual and imagined audience, which is no small feat."

– J.M.

"I prayerfully thank you for this retreat, so wonderfully organized, printed and distributed."

– C.B.

"Thank you for a well-prepared fountain of information and inspiration. The energy surrounding my virtual travel with Michael is still strong about me. The Study Guide PDFs will reinforce my path inwards."

– R.D.

"Just finished the *Levanté 1* retreat. Thank you, Fr. Michael, for a beautiful and much needed time out."

– M.F.

"I loved the experience and was honored to be present... and to "stand," Michael, and behold the Divine's love flowing through you into our hearts... and guiding our feet."

– C.G.

"I am thoroughly enjoying Fr. Michael's 'way'... wonderful and thought-provoking questions!"

– C.B.

"*Levanté 1* was a wonderful retreat! I've attended many retreats, but Fr. Michael is wonderful and unique and brings such compassion and peacefulness."

– L.B.



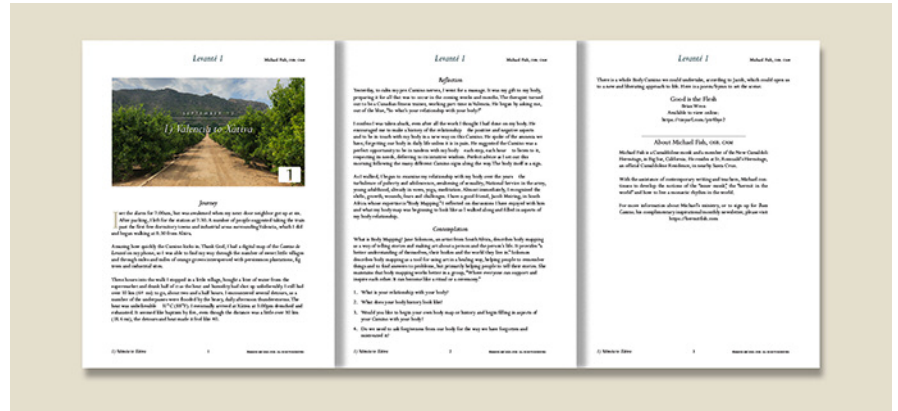


# Levanté 1 includes these unique study aids and printed keepsakes

Levanté 1 is a totally new streamed retreat concept, combining elements of Michael's popular retreats, such as these highly-prized printed collateral pieces, with his refreshing ideas about navigating modern life.

## Downloadable Study Guides

Each of Michael's video talks is accompanied by a beautifully designed downloadable Study Guide PDF that enhances his presentation. Each Study Guide summarizes his day's journey, a reflection on what that day seemed to be trying to teach him, as well as Michael's suggestions for contemplation – poetry, readings and questions for you to ponder.



## Personal Journal

Levanté 1 participants in the United States will receive a handsome, spiral-bound journal. Featuring a deeply debossed, foil stamped Hermit Fish logo on thick recycled cover, its 80 blank pages invite you to record your personal thoughts, feelings and impressions during the retreat and beyond. Michael encourages journaling as an everyday activity and these journals will go on to be a constant reminder of your Levanté 1 retreat.



## Pilgrim's Credential and "Day" Stickers

You will receive a multi-panel, keepsake Pilgrim's Credential and five stickers, simulating the experience of trekking the Camino. As you complete each of the core videos you'll affix a sticker into the credential to commemorate that "Day."



## Reserve your place in the Levanté 1 experience

For more information and to book your place in this retreat, please visit:

<https://hermitfish.com/levante-1-retreat-houses>