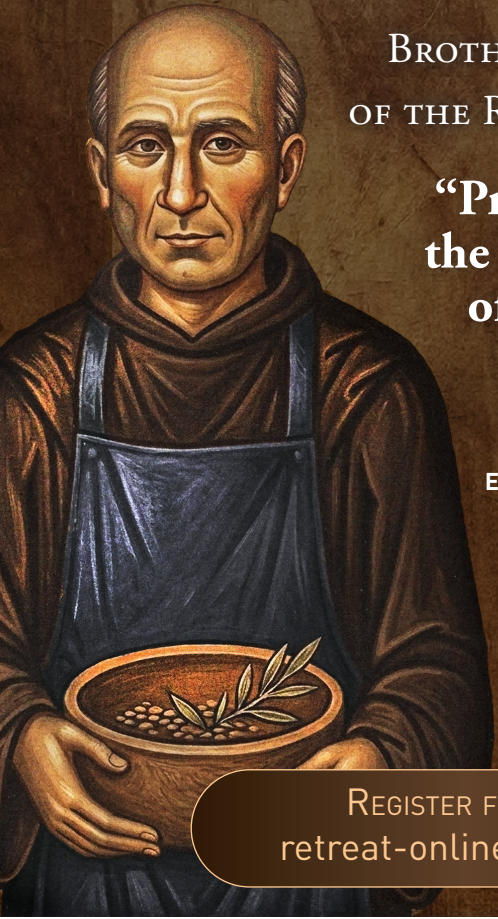
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A little-known figure in Carmel, Brother Lawrence of the Resurrection was one of the great spiritual masters of the seventeenth century. His teaching, recently highlighted by Pope Leo XIV, remains remarkably relevant today.

This humble lay brother teaches us to live in the presence of God in the heart of our daily lives. His teaching belongs to the great Christian tradition that answers Jesus' call to "pray always" (Lk 18:1) and Saint Paul's exhortation, "Pray without ceasing" (1 Thess 5:17). For Brother Lawrence, the way is simple: to remain in God's presence at every moment, whatever we may be doing.

Brother Lawrence's writings are collected in The Practice of the Presence of God: Critical Edition, edited by Conrad De Meester, OCD, and translated by Salvatore Sciurba, OCD. The volume is available from ICS Publications.

During this Advent season, we invite you to discover this teaching on the presence of God, and to grow in a simpler, more trusting, and more intimate relationship with the Lord.