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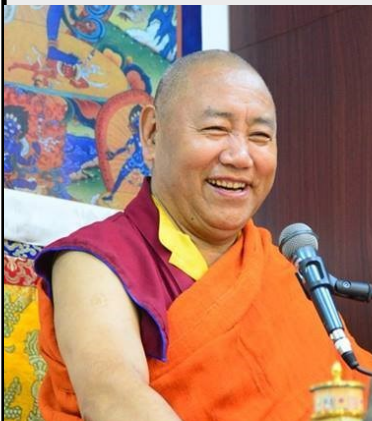
WITH

**Khenchen Konchog
Gyaltshen Rinpoche** AND

Author of *Diamond Rosary*,
Jewel Ornament of Liberation, and other titles

Khenpo Tsultrim Tenzin

Author of *Profound Protection*



Saturday **Sunday**
May 28th to June 5th

Saturday, May 28, Morning (10AM-12PM): Khenchen Rinpoche, Monkey Year Great Drikung Phowa Transmission

Afternoon (2PM-5PM): Khenpo Tsultrim, Phowa instruction and practice

Sunday, May 29, Morning: Khenchen Rinpoche, Drikung Bodhisattva Vows

Afternoon: Phagmo Drupa's teachings on the Bodhisattva Vow of Conduct

Monday, May 30, Morning: Khenchen Rinpoche, Vajra Song teachings

Afternoon: Teaching on Cintamani, Garland of Blazing Wish-fulfilling Gem

Tuesday, May 31—Anniversary of Jigten Sumgon's Parinirvana

Morning: Khenchen Rinpoche, Life story of Lord Jigten Sumgon, from Vajra Songs

Afternoon: Khenpo Tsultrim, Four Sessions of Guru Yoga, Night: Candlelight Offering Ceremony

Wednesday, June 1—Friday, June 3rd: Same schedule as Monday, May 30

Saturday, June 4, Morning: Khenchen Rinpoche, Amitayus Long-Life Empowerment

Afternoon: Khenpo Tsultrim, Amitayus instruction and practice

Sunday, June 5, Morning: Lama Chodpa with Tsok, end of Spring Retreat

Suggested Donations:

\$45.00 per day

\$325.00 entire retreat and materials

No one turned away for lack of funds.

Pre-register at register@drikungtmc.com

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info@drikungtmc.com

Khenchen Konchog Gyaltsen Rinpoche has been teaching in the West since founding Tibetan Meditation Center in 1982 in Washington, D.C. He has been an inspiration to thousands of individuals in the U.S., South America, Europe and Asia with his insights on basic and advanced Dharma practices. A skilled and dedicated author and translator, he has published the following texts, in order of publication: *Prayer Flags*, *The Garland of Mahamudra Practices*; *In Search of the Stainless Ambrosia*; *The Great Kagyu Masters*; *The Jewel Treasury of Advice*; *The Jewel Ornament of Liberation*; *Calling to the Lama from Afar*; *Transformation of Suffering: A Handbook for Practitioners*; *Pearl Rosary*; *A Complete Guide to the Buddhist Path*; *Wheel of Wisdom*; *Opening the Treasure of the Profound*; and most recently, *Diamond Rosary*. TMC is honored to have Rinpoche return for this retreat.

Khenpo Tsultrim Tenzin has been the Spiritual Director and principle teacher of the Tibetan Meditation Center since 2002. He is widely known as a skillful teacher and scholar of profound depth on many subjects. He is also known for his friendly nature and lack of pretension, as well as his ability to make his teaching easily understood by Westerners. Khenpo Tsultrim has recently published *Profound Protection*, and continues to work on several other books.

The **Great Drikung Phowa** transmission is renowned for its power and effectiveness in enabling the practitioner to achieve liberation at the time of death by projecting his or her consciousness. Traditionally the Great Drikung Phowa empowerment and transmission are given every twelve years, during the Monkey Year Teachings, often drawing huge crowds because of its reputation. Join us as Khenchen Rinpoche bestows the empowerment and Khenpo Tsultrim gives the necessary instruction on the occasion of this Fire Monkey Year Spring Retreat.

The **Drikung Bodhisattva Vows** are also historically given on the occasion of the Monkey Year Teachings. The Bodhisattva Vows are a commitment to practice Dharma and pursue liberation not only for oneself, but for the liberation of all sentient beings trapped in the suffering of Samsara. Khenchen Rinpoche will give the Bodhisattva Vows that create the commitment to practice Dharma in this and future lifetimes for the benefit of all beings. Khenpo Tsultrim will teach the instructions of Phagmodrupa on how to conduct oneself having taken these vows.

The **Great Ceremony of the Parinirvana of Jigten Sumgon** takes place on the 25th Day of the Fourth Lunar Month, this year falling on May 31st. In the morning, Khenchen Rinpoche will teach the life story of our lineage founder. That afternoon, Khenpo Tsultrim will give instruction and practice of the Four Session Guru Yoga to Jigten Sumgon. At night, there will be a candlelight offering ceremony by the Stupa.

Fully enlightened, Jigten Sumgon penned numerous **Vajra Songs** to express and embody his teachings. We have requested Khenchen Rinpoche to expound on these songs. Specifically, Khenchen Rinpoche will teach from the following, as time permits: *The Song of the Six Confidences*, *The Song at Tsa-Uk Dzong-Drom*, *The Song that Clarifies Recollection*, and *The Supplication to the Kagyu Gurus for the Mist of Great Blessings*.

The **Cintamani, or Garland of Flaming Wish-fulfilling Gems**, is the gist of several teachings, stressing mainly the theme of Mahamudra of Ngadan. It is the favorite text of Drikung Kyöbpa Jigten Gonpo himself. He used to say, "This text will represent me. I let it nurture the assembly of disciples." This rare text was found as a result of His Holiness Drikung Kyabgon Chetsang Rinpoche's efforts to discover and disseminate such rare texts.