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Next Meeting:

Sunday, Apr. 11th
@ 1:30 p.m.

12:30 p.m.
for Inquirers,
Candidates and
Professed Formation

Newsletter of the St. Francis Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order, St. Katharine Drexel Region

Meeting at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Saxer Ave. & Rolling Rd., Springfield Delaware County, Pennsylvania 19064

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Minister's Notes

May the joy of the Risen Lord be in your hearts! Easter has surely arrived after the dark days of Lent.

As the earth renews itself, let us renew our devotion to the Lord by living a more Franciscan life – wearing the Tau cross, participating in the Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and joining our Brothers and Sisters at our monthly gathering. The fullest measure of our calling is to come together as a Franciscan Community and pray. We are required to do this only once a month. What is standing in your way?

It's that time of year again..... time for our Communion Breakfast! Our Communion Breakfast will be held next month and is scheduled to begin right after the 11:30 Mass on Sunday, May 2. Please bring a dish to share.

Those who attended the March gathering have already received this news – for all the rest The Regional elections were held in Easton on March 13. Mattie Ward has been re-elected as the Regional Minister – a true blessing for all of us! I was elected Regional Vice Minister and assured that I can remain Minister of our Fraternity. I have also been asked to assume the role of Coordinator of the Regional Councilors. The Lord obviously wants to keep me busy!!! Please keep the new Regional Council in your prayers – with an extra sprinkling for me!!

Pax et bonum,
kate

Our April Meeting

We will hold our monthly meeting on Sunday, April 11th, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. in Conway hall. We will recite the Franciscan Crown Rosary and after our

If you are unable to fulfill your obligation to attend the monthly meeting, please call Rita Dourdoufis at 610-352-2413.

regular meeting and prayers, we will proceed to St. Francis Church for Benediction.

"And we will be involved in the monthly meeting as an act of worship and a building of community."

--from The Lay Franciscan Monthly Pledge

Liturgy of the Hours

Evening prayer for Second Sunday of Easter can be found on page 429 & 455.

Don't Forget

- To sign the attendance log
- Petition slips
- Pennies for missions, cancelled stamps and caps off of aluminum cans should be given to Rose Marie Gantz.

Formation

Formation sessions begin at 12:30 p.m. in Conway Hall for Inquirers, Candidates, and Professed. Please contact your formation leader if you need to know the readings.

April Profession Anniversaries

- Dorothy Leaf 1950 -- 60 years.

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Prayer Requests

"You are to help your brothers until the Lord gives them rest."

-- The Book of Joshua

Please help keep this list current. Let me know if anyone should be removed or needs to be added.

You can let me know at the meeting or use the contact information at the bottom of the page.

Thanks, Lee.

Please remember in prayer: Santa Ricci, Grace Holley and her granddaughter Michelle Davis; Frances Bellew, Kimberly Gilligan (Niece of Marie Gilligan); Marie Frantini's daughter (Marie Dolores); Christine Truitt; Antoinette Iorio; Betty Downey, JoAnne Troup and her family, Jeanette Anderson (Rose Marie Gantz's daughter-in-law), Mary Betancourt, Lisa Davis (Marie Gilligan's daughter-in-laws mother); Cyrilla Pine, Marian McCole, Christine Somers, Father Paul Stenson, Mary Stenson, 4 yr old Evan Nickel, Adele Malloy, Mary Lee, Stella Viola, Joseph Santoliquito, Anna Vecchiolli, Claire Quinn, Genevieve Sullivan.

Francis Inn Needs:

- Sugar
- Dish detergent
- Cleaning supplies
- Coffee
- Disposable razors

April Franciscan Saints and Blesseds

- 3 St Benedict the Black
- 16 St Bernadette Soubirous
- 17 St Benedict Joseph Labre
- 21 St Conrad of Parzham
- 23 Bl Giles of Assisi
- 24 St Fidelis of Sigmaringen
- 28 Bl Luchesius

On the Web

Don't forget that the fraternity newsletter is available at our web site as soon as it is finished (usually about a week before our next meeting). The web address is: <http://www.stfrancisfraternity.com/>



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