



The Herald of St. Francis

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Next Meeting:

Sunday, June 13th
@ 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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If you are unable to fulfill your obligation to attend the monthly meeting, please call Rita Dourdoufis at 610-352-2413.

Minister's Notes

*I cried because I had no shoes
and then I met a man who had no feet.*

It's all about gratitude. Do we have a proper - Franciscan - sense of gratitude?

Are we grateful for all the gifts God gives us? Even the ones which are hard to accept? The hard ones always have the best lesson to learn!

God visits us in a hundred ways each day and we take so much of it for granted. Do we grumble in the morning when the alarm goes off or are we grateful for another day? Do we lose our cool in the midst of a traffic jam or offer a silent prayer in thanksgiving that we aren't the one being pulled from the wreck? Do we roll our eyes while listening to an older person or rejoice in the time spent with them?

Saint Francis was known as the little poor man. The "little" part not only meant a man small in stature but one who lived in a small way - with a huge impact on the world. Sound like Mother Theresa? - two very wonderful examples of God's own friends who lived a small life and were grateful for every breath of God.

If you end your day by thanking God for even 5 gifts that you were given sometime during the day - no matter how small - you will soon be living a life of gratitude - and will have placed your foot squarely on the path of St. Francis!
Deo gratias!

Pax et bonum,
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Liturgy of the Hours

Evening prayer for Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time can be found on page 851.

Our June Meeting

We will hold our monthly meeting on Sunday, June 13th, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. in Conway hall. We will recite the Franciscan Crown Rosary and after our 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

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.

Genevieve Sullivan

...has moved to her new home. Her address is:

The Manor at Chestnut Hil
Suite 301
495 East Abbington Ave
Philadelphia, PA 19118

June Franciscan Saints and Blesseds

- 12 Bl Jolenta
- 13 St Anthony of Padua
- 22 St Thomas More
- 30 Bl Raymond Lull

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June Profession Anniversaries

- Genevieve Sullivan 1959
- Mary Lee 1963
- Dorothy Smith 1972
- Laura Maturo 1978
- Stella Lallier 1979
- Rose Benner 1979
- **Charles Watson 1980 -- 30 years**
- **Dolores Watson 1980 -- 30 years**
- Rita Mutter 1981
- Betty Schieman 1983
- Marilyn Hagan 1983
- Mary Stenson 1983
- Frances Cassidy 1983
- Mary Metcalfe 1984
- Kathleen Hornung 1984
- **Marian McCole 1985 -- 25 years**
- **Lyn Rogers -- 25 years**
- **Suzanne McElvenney 1985 -- 25 years**
- Aleta Provence 1986
- Dorothy Ehret 1987
- Anne Fuselli 1987
- Catherine Kowalski 1988
- Loretta Ferraro 1988
- Thelma Martini 1988
- Cyrilla Pine 1988
- Charles Thomas 1988
- **Dorothy Graham 1990 -- 20 years**
- **Santa Ricci 1990 -- 20 years**
- Grace Holley 1996
- Frances Bellew 1996
- Rose Marie Gantz 1994

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, Rev. Mr. Jim Kane, Lee B. Potts (Lee's Father).

Francis Inn Needs:

- Pampers size 4, 5, 6
- Sport socks
- Travel size deodorant
- Disposable razors
- Liquid dish soap
- Lysol
- Sugar
- Sweetened drink mixes
- Prayers!

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