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Next Meeting:
Sunday, May 1st
@ 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
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IMPORTANT PLEASE READ

**The date of our 2011 Communion
Breakfast has changed.**

**It will now be on June 5th in
Conway Hall.**

**We will still have a May meeting
but it will be on May 1st.**

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

Our May Meeting

We will hold our monthly meeting on Sunday, May 1st, 2011 (**NOTE DATE CHANGE**) at 1:30 p.m. We will recite the Franciscan Crown Rosary and after our regular meeting and prayers, we will proceed to St. Francis Church for Benediction. We also hope to hold our Crowning of our Blessed Mother at the May meeting.

"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

Communion Breakfast

Our Communion Breakfast will now be held on June 5th. Not May 1st as originally planned.

Liturgy of the Hours

Evening prayer for Second Sunday of Easter can be found on pages 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.

Peace and blessings!

Alleluia, the Lord is risen, as he promised, alleluia!

And all around us are signs of the Resurrection. From the death of winter, trees and flowers have burst their shrouds in glorious color, sending their perfume heavenward, silent praise to our Creator. Robins and sparrows, doves and crows, hop about building nests in anticipation of new birth, their triumphant hymns heralding their joy at another spring.

May we too, shed our dismal winter cocoons, turn from our maybe sinful ways, don our new finery won in the absolution of penance, and offer our heart-felt praise to our Lord and Redeemer who has granted us new birth of joy in our souls.

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad, alleluia!

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May Franciscan Saints and Blessed

- 9 St Catherine of Bologna
- 11 St Ignatius of Laconi
- 16 St Margaret of Cortona
- 17 St Paschal Baylon
- 18 St Felix of Cantalice
- 20 St Bernadine of Siena
- 24 Dedication of Basilica of St Francis
- 28 St Mariana of Jesus de Paredes
- 30 Bl Baptista Varano
- 30 St Ferdinand, King

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: Grace Holley and her granddaughter Michelle Davis, Frances Bellew, Kimberly Gilligan (Niece of Marie Gilligan), Marie Frantini's daughter (Marie Dolores), Christine Truitt, 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, Rev. Mr. Jim Kane, Barry Patterson, Betty Schieman, Kate Kleinert, Carmen Lombertino.

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/>

Francis Inn Needs:

- Laundry Soap
 - Dinner Forks
 - Soup Spoons (NOT teaspoons)
 - SPECIAL NEED: Because the repair & maintenance expenses in our buildings have risen in recent years, we are trying to develop a resource list of those skilled in electrical, plumbing, carpentry and other trades who would be willing to donate their time on an occasional basis (sometimes emergencies!) to meet this need. Please let us know if you would like to be included.
- ...and of course, PRAYERS!

May Profession Anniversaries

- Christine Truitt (1954)
- Jim McDonnell (1961)

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