

The Herald of St. Francis

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Next Meeting:

Sunday, June 5th @ 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 www.stfrancisfraternity.org • info@stfrancisfraternity.org

Peace and blessings!

Here we are, summer already. The rains have gone away for the present leaving the world refreshed with holy water from the hand of God. Let us pray that our Communion Breakfast will be a time of spiritual rebirth and refreshment, bathed in the glory of God, as well as our gardens.

As I searched for a meditation appropriate for this newsletter, I asked our Pastor, Father Michael Reilly, St. Joseph Church, Collingdale for a copy of his recent homily. My plan was to take excerpts from this moving comment about the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, but I believe you will appreciate and benefit from his full message, not translated by me.

Enclosed in this newsletter is Father Reilly's full homily that he was generous enough to share with us. I pray it will be as meaningful to you as it is to me.

God bless, and may you continue to walk with Francis on the way to Emmaus.

Pax et bonum. Adele

Our June Meeting

The next time we gather will be on Sunday, June 5. Our annual Communion Breakfast will take place immediately after the 10:00 Mass. Please bring a dish to share with your Franciscan family. We can get into the hall starting at 9:00. Our speaker will be Fr. Quan Tran who is a visiting priest at St. Alice's. He will speak at 12:30.

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

"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.

June Franciscan Saints and Blesseds

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

Francis Inn Needs:

- Laundry Soap
- Dinner Forks
- Soup Spoons (NOT teaspoons)
- ...and of course, PRAYERS!

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, Mary Lee, Joseph Santoliquito, Anna Vecchiolli, Claire Quinn, Rev. Mr. Jim Kane, Barry Patterson, Betty Schieman, Kate Kleinert, Carmen Lombertino.

June Profession Anniversaries

Jim McDonnell will be celebrating his 50th Anniversary of Profession on May 25th

- Mary Lee 1963
- Dorothy Smith 1972
- Laura Maturo 1978

- Stella Lallier 1979
- Rose Benner 1979
- Charles Watson 1980
- Dolores Watson 1980
- Rita Mutter 1981
- Betty Schieman 1983
- Marilyn Hagan 1983
- Mary Stenson 1983
- Frances Cassidy 1983
- Mary Metcalfe 1984
- Kathleen Hornung 1984
- Marian McCole 1985
- Lyn Rogers -- 25 years
- Suzanne McElvenney 1985
- 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
- Santa Ricci 1990
- Grace Holley 1996
- Frances Bellew 1996
- Rose Marie Gantz 1994

Our Council

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