



The Herald of St. Francis

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Next Meeting:

Annual Day of
Recollection

Saturday,
October 8th,
9:00 a.m.

Friary of the
Servants of Charity

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October Meditation

This month, as we prepare for trick and treaters on All Hallowed Eve, let us be prepared for whoever shows up at our door, at any time.

All of us long for a sense of meaning and purpose. All over the world, people are starving for answers, and the Holy Spirit wants to direct them to us, just as he directed the magi to Mary and Joseph. Like these two, all we have to do is share from our hearts the ways God has moved in us.

In the spirit of St. Francis, trust that the Holy Spirit will take care of the rest.

(Paraphrased from The Word Among Us: Jan. 2001)

Pax et bono. Adele

Our October Meeting

Instead of our usual Sunday gathering, our next meeting will be our annual Day of recollection and will be held on **Saturday, October 8, 2011** at the Friary of the Servants of Charity on the grounds of the Cardinal Krol Center / Don Guanella School next to Cardinal O'Hara High School. We will gather at **9:00 a.m.** in the Refectory. Please

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

remember to bring a brown bag lunch. There is plenty of refrigeration available to keep the lunches cold. You will also need to bring your Liturgy of the Hours for morning prayer. EVERYONE PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR RITUALS BOOK. Fr. Paul will be our Celebrant and Retreat Master. We will be having a Welcoming Ceremony for Mary Meade and Agnes Iacono.

"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 and caps off of aluminum cans should be given to Rose Marie Gantz. PLEASE NOTE: Cancelled stamps are no longer being collected.

Liturgy of the Hours

The morning prayer can be found on page 916. Please bring your crown rosary and prayer book to the Day of Recollection.

October Franciscan Saints and Blessed

- 4 Our Holy Father Francis
- 6 St Mary Frances of the Five Wounds
- 10 Sts Daniel & Companions
- 12 St Seraphin of Montegrano
- 20 Bl James of Strepar
- 20 Bl Contardo Ferrini
- 21 Bl Josephine Leroux
- 22 St Peter of Alcantara
- 23 St John of Capistrano
- 26 Bl Bonaventure of Potenza
- 30 Anniversary of Dedication in Consecrated Franciscan Churches

Formation

Formation sessions will continue at the November meeting.

Francis Inn Needs:

- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Disposable Razors
- Bath Soap
- #6 Pampers
- Pull-Ups
- Coffee
- ...and of course, PRAYERS!

October Profession Anniversaries

- Joanne McManus 1978
- Rita Dourdoufis 2003
- Mary Ann Palmer 2003

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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