



# The Herald of St. Francis

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## Our Next Gathering

We will hold our monthly gathering on  
Sunday, March 10<sup>TH</sup> at 12:30 PM

**PLEASE NOTE: Due to problems  
with Conway Hall, we will be  
meeting at a different venue in  
March:**

**St. Joseph Parish Hall  
500 Woodlawn Ave.  
Collingdale, PA 19023**

Thanks for making these arrangements for  
us Marie!

We will participate in ongoing formation,  
have some social time with our fraternal  
family, and then recite the Franciscan  
Crown Rosary and the Liturgy of the Hours.

If you are unable to fulfill your obligation to  
attend the monthly meeting, please call Pat  
Simon at 610-352-5390

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

~ The Lay Franciscan Monthly Pledge

## Prayer Petitions

Please contact Fran Urso at  
francesurs@aol.com or 610-202-8965 if  
you would like to include a petition in the  
newsletter. A new list will be generated  
each month.

- Trish - Special Intentions
- Lily - Angels watching over her
- Marie - Special Intentions
- Dick Doyle OFS - Repose of his soul  
and for his family
- Kate - Recovery from knee replacement
- Betty S. - health and healing for family
- Steven R. - Repose of his soul and  
family healing
- Judy Mays - cancer
- Baby Will - pneumonia and ear  
infection - family strength
- Rita A. - Recovery from colon surgery
- Bonnie N. - Recovery from cancer and  
eyes
- Eileen - cancer
- Paul - employment
- Teresa - divorce
- Mary - right knee
- Carol - emotional and physical healing

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- Phyllis - emotional and physical healing
- Lee - dad - recover from cancer surgery
- Mary Elaine - ovarian cancer
- Jenny Elaine - pancreatic cancer
- End of Abortion
- Scott - cancer
- Antoinette - cancer
- Piccone's - health and well being
- Anthony and John - cancer and stiff person's disease
- Peyton (baby) - severe asthma attack
- Patti - healing from colon surgery

## St. Francis Inn Needs

- Men's & Women's Underwear (especially men's boxer shorts) — All Sizes
- Men's Shoes — All Sizes
- Baby Formula
- Powdered Milk
- Oatmeal (not instant or "one minute" please)
- Spray Air Freshener or Deodorizer
- Cleaning Supplies: Sray cleaners (Lysol, Formula 409, disinfectants, cleanser, or similar items)
- Paper Towels
- Dish Towels
- Prayers

## Formation Information

Brother Kip will provide our March ongoing formation session and the topic will be Franciscan moral decision making.

## Food for Thought

*Of course, unless we understand our own sinfulness, unless we understand the urgency of repentance and reconciliation, the Cross makes no sense; the Resurrection makes no sense. Easter joy is the joy of deliverance and*

*new life. If we don't believe in our bones that we really do desperately need these things, Easter is just another excuse for a holiday sale; and the Sacrament of Penance, and our fasting and almsgiving, are a waste of time.*

*But in the silence of our own hearts, if we're honest, we know we hunger for something more than our own selfishness and mistakes. We were made for glory, and we're empty of that glory until God fills us with his presence. All things are made new in the victory of Jesus Christ – even sinners like you and me. The blood of the Cross washes away death. It purifies us as vessels for God's new life.*

*The Resurrection fills us with God's own life.*

*~ Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, "Three simple questions on the threshold of Lent – Catholic Philly"*



*St. Francis, pray for us*