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NOTE CHANGES TO SCHEDULE!

Schedule

- 9:30am Inquiry Session – St. Bonaventure Room downstairs
- 9:30am Candidate Session (2017) – St. Clare Room – upstairs in the Friary
- 9:30am Candidate Session (2016) – Sacred Heart Room downstairs
- 11:00am Opening Prayers for May Monthly Meeting – St. Bonaventure Room downstairs**
- 11:15am Franciscan Crown Rosary in Blessed Sacrament Chapel
- 12:00pm Mass in Monastery church
- 1:00pm Annual Spring Luncheon with the Holy Land Friars in the Cloister Garden** (optional) or lunch and meeting with members

Fraternity Meeting Agenda

- Those attending the Franciscan Monastery's Annual Spring Luncheon are excused from the meeting.
- Welcoming Ceremony for **Mary Gigliotti** and **Bennett Solberg**
- Brief committee reports
- Holy Land Festival – planning for July
- Presentation on Fatima and Marian devotions, with focus on Mary and Article 9 of the Rule
- Evening Prayer using *Shorter Christian Prayer* – please bring yours
- Closing fraternity meeting prayer



◆ Theme: THE GIFT OF FATIMA ◆

Bible Quote of the Month

On one occasion Jesus spoke thus: “Father, Lord of heaven and earth, to you I offer praise; for what you have hidden from the learned and the clever *you have revealed to the merest children.* Father, it is true. You have graciously willed it so. Everything has been given over to Me by My Father. No one knows the Son but the Father, and no one knows the Father but the Son – and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal Him. Come to Me, all you who are weary and find life burdensome, and I will refresh you. Take My yoke upon

your shoulders and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble of heart. Your souls will find rest, for My yoke is easy and My burden light.” (*Mt 11:25-30; emphasis added*)



Prayer of the Month

Oh My Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy.

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ADMONITION OF ST. FRANCIS

6. On correction ¹

Blessed (is) the servant who would endure discipline, accusation and rebuke as patiently from another as from his very self. Blessed (is) the servant, who having been rebuked, acquiesces kindly, submits meekly, confesses humbly and makes satisfaction freely. Blessed (is) the servant, who is not quick to excuse himself and humbly endures shame and rebuke because of a sin, even though he has not committed (any) fault.

Feastdays of Franciscan Friars

Pray for the following friars, whose feast days are this coming month: June 3 – Kevin Treston, 19 – Romuald Green, and 29 – Simon McKay.

¹ *The Writings of St. Francis of Assisi*, tr. by Paschal Robinson (1905), accessed September 9, 2013, URL <http://www.sacred-texts.com/chr/wosf/wosf03.htm>.



The Rule

Chapter Two, Article 6 of The Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order.

They have been made living members of the Church by being buried and raised with Christ in baptism; they have been united more intimately with the Church by profession. Therefore, they should go forth as witnesses and instruments of her mission among all people, proclaiming Christ by their life and words.

Called like Saint Francis to rebuild the Church and inspired by his example, let them devote themselves energetically to living in full communion with the pope, bishops, and priests, fostering an open and trusting dialogue of apostolic effectiveness and creativity.

The Information Corner – Pope Quote



“Fatima is more than anything this mantle of Light where we take refuge when we ask the Virgin Mary: ‘show unto us Jesus’. Whenever we look to Mary, we come to believe

once again in the revolutionary nature of love and tenderness.”²

Papal Intentions for the Month

Prayer Intention – Christians in Africa: That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.

Urgent Intention – Priestly Vocations: Led by the Spirit for Mission - May he give us priests enamored of the Gospel, close to all their brothers and sisters, living signs of God’s merciful love.³

² Posted on <https://twitter.com/pontifex> May 13, 2017.

³ Apostleship of Prayer (2015). Accessed May 11, 2017, URL <http://www.apostleshipofprayer.org/>

The Information Corner – New Saints

May 13th – The highlight of Pope Francis' apostolic visit to Fatima was the canonization Mass, during which the two shepherd children, **Blessed Francisco** and **Blessed Jacinta** were declared saints in heaven.



During his homily the Pope said, “we can take as our examples Saint Francisco and Saint Jacinta, whom the Virgin Mary introduced into the immense ocean of God’s light and taught to adore him.”⁴

Please Pray For Our Sick

Julia Stratchko; Frank Klem’s wife, Dona Klem; Philip Melore; Pat Allnutt; Larry Bleau’s father Raymond Bleau; Ernest Braddock; Dorothy Clayton and her family; Mary Anne Corr and her niece, Patricia Corr; Maria Louisa Correa and her sister Maria Franco; Lourdes Corso and her family; Sarah Faizi’s mother; Jean Fleurival; Roy Foster; John Hewitt; Nancy McCleary; Brenda Nutt; Mary Okuma’s family; Fritz Nicholas and his family; Joe Rende and his family; Cecilia Thieman and her family; Helen Walls; Dineen Whipple; Donna Wilkes and her family; Theresa Wilson; Mildred Wray. **Maria Louisa Correa** says she loves all the members.

Fraternity Finances

\$ Last month we received \$543 in donations and disbursed \$823.02 in expenses, of which \$735 was one-half of our annual fair share payment to the Region.

Thanks to those who have paid their fair share; 28 of 43 members have now paid. We will need to pay the second half by September 1.

⁴ Vatican Radio (2017), accessed May 13, 2017, URL <http://www.news.va/en/news/pope-fatima-homily-for-canonization-mass> . Full homily available online.

Holy Land Festival

Please mark **Saturday, July 15** on your calendars for the Monastery's 4th annual **Holy Land Festival**⁵. This will be our first major service project to support the friars. We will have a table at which we hand out literature about the Secular Franciscan Order, serve Arabic coffee, and sell small potted olive trees. We hope that all fraternity members can participate one way or another, with those that can do so working a two-hour shift at our table during the day. We passed around a sign-up sheet at the April meeting and will do so again this month. If you would like to volunteer, contribute financially, or have any questions, please contact Michele Dunne (micheleddunne@gmail.com or 202-412-1210) or Wendy Enderson.

June Birthdays

June 3 – Philip Melore, 5 – Sheila Kelly, 5 – Anna Zaczynski, 9 – Mary Catherine Kohut, 9 – Carol Petro, 12 – Lee Ann Petta, 19 – Helen Walls, 22 – William Hayes Brown, III, 22 – Joan Kane.

Franciscan Feastdays and Memorials

June 2 – St. Felix of Nicosia, religious, I Order; 8 – Bl. Nicholas of Gèsturi, religious, I Order; 12 – Bl. Florida Cevoli, virgin, I Order; Bl. Jolenta, religious, II Order; Bl. Antoninus Bajewski, priest, and companions, martyrs (Pius Bartosik, Innocent Guz, Achille Puchala, Herman Stepien, priests; Timothy Troianowski, Boniface Zukowski, religious), I Order; 13 – St. Anthony of Padua, priest, doctor, I Order; 16 – Bl. Anizet Koplín, priest, and companions, martyrs of Poland (Henry Krzystofik, Florian Stépniak, Fidelis Chojnacki, Symforiam Ducki), I Order; Bl. Guy (Guido) Vignotelli, priest, I Order; 17 – St. Albert Chmielowski, religious, III Order, founder; 22 – St. Thomas More, martyr, III Order; 23 – St. Joseph Cafasso, priest, III Order; 25 – Bl. Jutta of Thuringia, widow, III Order; 26 – Bl. Andrew Hyacinth Longhin, bishop, I Order; 30 – Bl. Raymond Lull, martyr, III Order.

⁵ For more detail see <https://myfranciscan.org/event/4th-annual-holy-land-festival/>