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Schedule

- 9:30am Inquiry Session – Parlor Room – upstairs in the Friary
9:30am Candidate Session – St. Francis Room downstairs
10:30am Franciscan Crown Rosary in Blessed Sacrament Chapel
11:15am Mass in Blessed Sacrament Chapel
12:00pm Fraternity Social Gathering – St. Francis Room – downstairs in the Friary. Refreshments will be provided.
12:45pm Fraternity Meeting – St. Francis Room

Fraternity Meeting Agenda

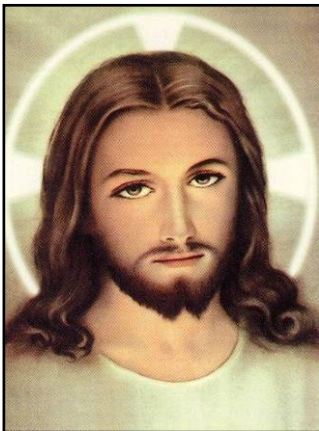
- Opening prayer
- Housekeeping
- Handouts
- Short Teaching
- Closing Evening prayer. If you have the “Shorter Christian” Prayer Book, please bring it with you.

DON'T FORGET YOUR BINDERS!

Reminder: If you are unable to attend the fraternity meetings for more than one month, please notify one of the Council members. The criteria for Active-excused and Lapsed member status is explained in the Fraternity guidelines. Thank you.

◆ Theme: **THE FACE OF CHRIST** ◆

Bible Quote of the Month



“God...has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.” (2 Cor 4:6)

Prayer of the Month

O Holy Face of Christ, light that enlightens the darkness of doubt and sadness, life that has defeated forever the force of evil and death, O inscrutable gaze that never ceases to watch over people, O face concealed in the Eucharistic signs and in the faces of those that live with us, make us God's pilgrims in this world who await the final encounter when we shall see you, Lord, face to face, and contemplate you forever in heavenly glory. Amen. (*Prayer of Pope Benedict XVI on visiting the Veil of Manoppello*)

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ADMONITION OF ST. FRANCIS

15. On peace ¹

“Blessed (are) the peacemakers, since they shall be called sons of God” (*Mt 5:9*). Those truly are the peacemakers, who concerning all those things, which they suffer in this age, preserve peace in soul and body for the sake of the love (*amor*) of Our Lord Jesus Christ.



¹ St. Francis of Assisi, *The Words of Admonition*, translated from the Critical Latin Edition, edited by Fr. Kajetan Esser, O.F.M, courtesy of Five Franciscan Martyrs Region, accessed April 19, 2010, URL <http://www.franciscan-sfo.org/ap/Admonitions.html>



The Rule

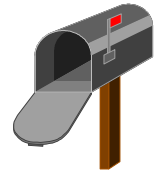
Chapter One, Article 13 of The Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order.

As the Father sees in every person the features of his Son, the firstborn of many brothers and sisters, so the Secular Franciscans with a gentle and courteous spirit accept all people as a gift of the Lord and an image of Christ.

A sense of community will make them joyful and ready to place themselves on an equal basis with all people, especially with the lowly for whom they shall strive to create conditions of life worthy of people redeemed by Christ.

From the Mailbox: News of our Family

- **Ron McElligott** sent a note: “Please pray for my wife, Mary, and for me. Much thanks and prayers for all. Peace and good.”
- We received another handwritten letter from the family in India whom we support through the Franciscan Family Apostolate program. Here is an extract from the letter. Please keep them in your prayers.



Dear loving friends,



We received your timely help and thank you very much for it. With your aid we managed my childrens education expenses and daily needs. My children are promoted to upper grades; daughters are in eleventh and eight grades and only son, Samuel, is in seventh grade.

The monsoon season has begun and there is much flooding. Our house is situated on barren land so we have difficulty in going out. Several kinds of diseases are spreading all over. In the northern part of our country many are dead in natural calamities. Please pray for us.

With love, Mary Sebastian

Papal Quotes



“I would like us to make noise, I would like those inside the Dioceses to go out into the open; I want the Church to be in the streets; I want us to defend ourselves against all that is worldliness, comfort, being closed and turned within – Parishes, colleges and institutions must get out otherwise they risk becoming NGOs, and the Church is not a Non-Governmental Organization!”

- Pope Francis, World Youth Day 2013

Support the Knights



The Knights of Mount St. Sepulchre will conduct a raffle ticket fundraiser. Tickets are \$5 for a book of six, or \$1 each. Drawing will be on October 18. Contact Larry Bleau (301-474-1338) for tickets.

Please Pray For Our Sick



Pat Allnutt; Larry Bleau’s aunt, Dorothy Bleau (stroke); Rita Braddock; Dorothy Clayton; Maria Louisa Correa and and her family; Lourdes Corso; Sarah Faizi, her family, and her friend, Ron Harner; Jean Fleurival; Roy Foster; John Hewitt; Marianne Hughes and her family; Jay Lynagh; Nancy McCleary; Ron McElligot and his wife, Mary; Mary Okumu’s sister, Flora Okumu (stroke), and her nephew, Simon Peter Okanya (slipped disc); George Ramsey and his mother, Margareta Ramsey; Joe Rende’s son, Joseph L. Rende, and friend, Kenny Psira (both for healing); Apollonia Sergi; Gene Sides, his wife, Annagret, and his family; Julia Stratchko and her husband; Cecilia Thieman, her grandson, Andrew, and her son, Michael; Dineen Whipple; Donna Wilkes and her family; and Theresa Wilson.

September Birthdays



September 1 – Kathleen White, 4 – Maria Correra, 9 – Salvacion Pagado, 18 – Marilyn Taylor and Theresa Wilson, 19 – Catherine Horvath, and 23 – Jean Fleurival.

Franciscan Feastdays and Memorials

September 1 – Blessed Beatrice of Silva, virgin of II Order, founder (optional memorial); 2 – Bl. John Francis Burte, Bl. Severin Girault, and Companions, martyrs of I and III Orders (optional memorial); 4 – Saint Rose of Viterbo, virgin of III Order (optional memorial for III Order); 17 – Stigmata of our holy Father Francis (feast); 18 – Saint Joseph of Cupertino, priest of I Order (feast); 20 – Saint Francis Mary of Camporosso, religious of I Order (memorial); 23 – Saint Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, stigmatist and priest of I Order (feast), and Finding of the body of Saint Clare (optional memorial for II and III Order nuns); 26 – Saint Elzear of Sabran and Blessed Delphina of Glandenes, husband and wife of III Order (optional memorial for III Order).

Feastdays of Franciscan Friars

Keep in your prayers the following friars, whose feast days (B for birthdays) are this coming month: September 21 – Jacob-Matthew Smith and James Gardiner (B).



August Reflection

By Corky Hart, OFS

In the fourth chapter of the Gospel of St. John, Philip begs Jesus to “show us the Father.” He voices the soul’s longing for intimacy with the unseen, unknowable God. The Lord chose Israel from among the nations, made His Name known to Moses the great liberator, and gave Israel the Law, yet in the encounter on Sinai, Moses came away so resplendent with the reflected Glory of God that the people could not look upon him; he had to veil his face as he entered the camp. When God entered history in the Incarnation of Christ, everything changed. What man could never attain, God accomplished in infinite love. In Jesus, the Lord encounters us in His own Person so that we may behold Him with unveiled faces (cf 2 Cor. 3); we gaze upon him who is both God and the Mediator between God and Man, both Priest and Victim. In the Holy Eucharist, His great gift of Himself, we can behold and be united to Him who put the stars in their place, the Lord God to whom the Hosts of Heaven sing Holy, Holy, Holy, in eternal splendor. This is Jesus, Son of God, Son of Mary, the

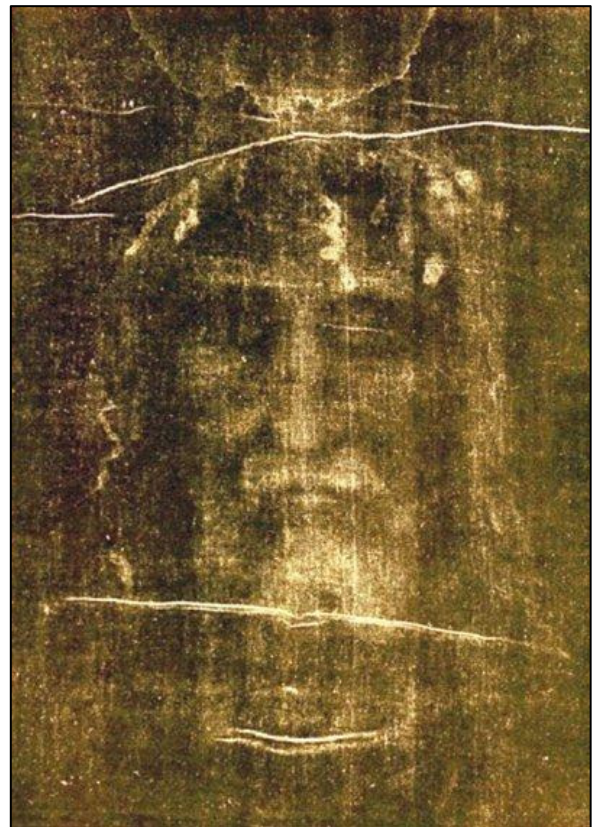
Infant of Bethlehem, the Man of Sorrows of whom Isaiah spoke, crucified for us and risen, the desire of every longing heart, really, totally here.

The miraculous images of the Holy Face we will talk about in this month’s meeting are those of the Shroud of Turin and the Veil of Manoppello. They are astonishing and moving, and can be an aid to prayer but they are not necessary to our faith, nor do they require our belief. My hope is that they remind us that we are called to be icons of Jesus, and to see Him in all that God has made, especially the people we encounter in our daily lives, and that with Eucharistic devotion at the center of our Franciscan lives, we share the glorious Good News of God’s love with a world desperately in need. It has been said that we become a reflection of whatever we spend the most time contemplating. Let’s ask the Lord in His Eucharistic Presence to open our eyes to recognize Him that He may transform us, day by day, into beautiful icons of our beloved Jesus.

The Lord give you peace.



Veil of Manoppello



Shroud of Turin