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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 Franciscan Crown Rosary in Blessed

Sacrament Chapel

12:00pm Mass in Monastery church

1:00pm Fraternity Social Gathering – St.

Bonaventure Room – downstairs in the Friary. Bring your own lunch,

light refreshments will be provided.

Room

DON'T FORGET YOUR BINDERS!

1:30pm Fraternity Meeting – St. Bonaventure

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.

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.

Theme: **THEME** ◆

Bible Quote of the Month

(tbd)

Prayer of the Month

(tbd)

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ADMONITION OF ST. FRANCIS

12. On recognizing the spirit of God ¹

Thus can the servant of God be known, if he has the spirit of the Lord: when the Lord works through him anything good, if his flesh for that reason would not exalt itself, because it is always contrary to every good, but if he rather would hold himself up before (his own) eyes as more vile and esteem himself less than all other men.

Fraternity Finances

Last month we received \$55 in donations and disbursed \$325 in expenses. This does not include undeposited checks.

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 22 of The Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order.

The local fraternity is to be established canonically. It becomes the basic unit of the whole Order and a visible sign of the Church, the community of love. This should be the privileged place for developing a sense of Church and the Franciscan vocation and for enlivening the apostolic life of its members.

Papal Intentions for the Month

<u>Universal Intention</u> – **Indigenous Peoples**. That indigenous peoples, whose identity and very existence are threatened, will be shown due respect.

Evangelization Intention – Latin America and the Caribbean. That the Church in Latin America and the Caribbean, by means of her mission to the continent, may announce the Gospel with renewed vigor and enthusiasm. ²

From the Mailbox: News of our Family

- Sheila Kelly has a new address: 3124 Gracefield Rd. #323, Silver Spring, MD 20904, phone 301-273-2368. No calls, please; however, she would like cards.
- **Mildred Wray**'s correct street address is 13301 Dove St., Silver Spring, MD 20904.
- Mary Ann Hughes has a new address: Sacred Heart Home, 5805 Queens Chapel Rd. Rm 338, Hyattsville, MD 20782. She does not have a phone. She would appreciate cards or notes. She says she misses all the members of the Fraternity. (She had two heart attacks recently.)

² Apostleship of Prayer (2015). Accessed February 7, 2015, URL http://www.apostleshipofprayer.org/

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Support the Knights



The Knights of Mount St. Sepulchre is having its annual raffle ticket fundraiser. Tickets are \$5 for a book of six, or \$1

each. Drawing will be on September 18. Contact Larry Bleau (301-474-1338) for tickets; he will also sell them before and after the August fraternity meeting.

Please Pray For Our Sick

In case you missed last month's list, below are names from both June and July.

Pat Allnutt; Gerda Biglin's brother, Marty (cancer); Elfving Larry Bleau's father, Raymond (severe neck iniury): Braddock; Dorothy Clayton and her daughter Kathy McCoy; Lourdes Corso and her family; Sarah Faizi's mother, who is in a nursing home; Jean Fleurival; Roy Foster; John Hewitt, M.D.; Sheila Kelly; Marianne Hughes and her family; Nancy McCleary; Mary Okuma's family; Fritz Nicholas and his family; Joe Rende; Julia Stratchko; Cecilia Thieman and her family; Helen Walls; Dineen Whipple; Donna Wilkes and her brother Hollis; Theresa Wilson; Mildred Wray; Fra. Romuald Green, OFM.

August Birthdays

August 4 – Susan Zell, 8 – David Weir, 11 – Wendy Enderson and Francoise Bidiki, 12 – Ronald McElligott, 13 – Alberto Gamez, 16 – Louis Remlin, and 29 – Christopher Cropper.

In case you missed the July birthdays, they are: July 8 – Brenda Nutt, 11 – Mildred Wray, 16 – Justina Essiet, 22 – Sarah Faizi, 24 – John Monti, 26 – George Ramsey, and 27 – Nancy McCleary.

Franciscan Feastdays and Memorials

August 2 – Our Lady of the Angels of the Portiuncula (feast); 4 – Saint John Vianney, priest of III Order. (memorial); 7 – Blesseds Agathangelus and Cassian, priests and martyrs of I Order (optional memorial); 8 – Holy Father

Dominic, priest founder of the Order of Preachers (feast); 11 – Saint Clare of Assisi, virgin of II Order (feast, solemnity for II and III Order nuns); 14 – Saint Maximilian Kolbe, priest of I Order (memorial); 17 – Saint Roch, member of III Order; 19 – Saint Louis of Toulouse, bishop of I Order (memorial); 21 – Saint Pius X, pope, member of III Order (memorial); and 25 – Saint Louis IX, king, member and patron of III Order (memorial).

Feastdays of Franciscan Friars

Keep in your prayers the following friar, whose feast day is this coming month: August 14 – Maximilian Wojciechowski.

July Reflection

By J. Patrick Enderson, OFS

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