



“Share the Joy”

**Holy Spirit Fraternity of the
Secular Franciscan Order
of Claremont**



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Minister’s Corner:

ONWARD FRANCISCAN SOLDIERS

What a wonderful time it has been for our Fraternity. We have started doing extra activities and most especially adding another professed member. Welcome Diana. We are getting ready for elections and voting in a new council to guide us for the next three years and working on getting new members to come and check us out.

Remember the 4th Monday of the month is considered another general/formation meeting. To those of you who voiced wanting another meeting and being together, well this is it, so clear your calendars for that day of each month and show up. For now we will meet at the “Good Residence” from 6:30 to 8:30 please bring your formation books because this meeting is also formation for Chris and the rest of us to participate in along with some social time. You also can join us on the 2nd Monday of the month to share in the formation process. It really explodes with ideas and Holy Spirit Fire when there are more there to participate(same time same place so clear your calendars for that date too).

Don’t forget the order of a Secular Franciscan we need to put God First, Family Second, Job and OFS. These are the four that your life should revolve around. Notice how the two middle responsibilities are surrounded by God and OFS/Gospel Life not by mistake but this is by design - AMEN.

I have a challenge for each of you for the next month at least 3 times a week talk about being a Franciscan to someone you know or have just met somewhere and invite them to come and gives us a visit. It will be interesting to see what fruits may come of this.

Peace, Claudia T.

Minister

District Picnic

On August 12th (**this weekend**) Holy Spirit Fraternity will host the annual San Bernardino/Riverside District Picnic. It will be held in the backyard of the Mussatto’s beginning at 5:00pm. The Fraternity will provide hamburgers, lemonade and iced tea. Please bring sides and/or desserts to share. If you can, please bring folding chairs, plates, flatware and glasses for your use. We want to follow the recommendations in Laudato Si’. Invite your family and friends. It’s a great way to expose people to members of our order. Also, bring some nickels as we may play a few games of bingo.

District Leadership Meeting:

Before the picnic the ministers, vice ministers and formation directors will meet at the Mussatto’s for their quarterly meeting. So if you come early, please just go into the back yard.

Calendar of Events:

- Aug 12th 2:00~4:30pm District leadership meeting at the Mussatto’s
- Aug 12th 5:00~7:00pm District Picnic, at the Mussatto’s
- Aug 13th 6:30~9:00pm Jacqui’s Initial Formation @ Mussatto’s
Chris’ Initial Formation @ Good’s
- Aug 24th 6:30 ~9:30pm Monthly Council Meeting at the Mussatto’s.
- Aug 27th 6:30~9:00pm Chris’ Initial Formation @ Good’s
- Sep 8th 9:00 ~ 2:00pm Regional Gathering, San Diego

- Sep 9th 1:00~4:00pm Fraternity Elections
- Sep 15th 6:30 ~ 9:00pm Jacqui's Initial Formation @ Mussatto's Chris' Initial Formation @ Good's
- Sep 28th 6:30~9:30pm New and Old Council Meeting at the Mussatto's.

- Members of our Fraternity: Ann, Ted, Alma and all Secular Franciscans who are, for whatever reason, unable to attend Fraternity meetings.
- That people listen to Pope Francis's call for dialog rather than absolutism.
- For peace, patience, strength and understanding throughout the world.
- To be thankful for our many blessings.



Thoughts of Francis and Friends:

Every decision to respond to the needs of others is sacred and filled with all that is holy. Every decision not to respond is empty of sacredness. Praying with our eyes open transforms us and aids in making present the kingdom of God.

FUN Manual: JPIC pg 25

Regional Gathering:

It is Sept 8th, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, 11451 Blue Cypress Dr San Diego, 92131. Car pools will be discussed at the picnic.

Absent members:

Jackie Folley, OFS and Rachel Rodriguez, OFS are open to visitors since they can no longer attend meetings. Just call ahead.

For those who cannot attend in person:

At the July meeting we had our first experiment at connecting with remote members. Theresa, Bob and Cyl were able to dial in. We learned that we needed powered speakers (Randy borrowed a set). We used an audio only connection by dialing in using (641) 715-0866 and enter the access code: 545164#. We may try to add video at the October meeting.



Profession:

Diana professed into the Secular Franciscan Order on July 21st at her home parish, St Paul the Apostle Catholic Church. It was followed by a Mexican themed dinner in their auditorium. Fr. Steve Gross, OFM, Conv. was the principal celebrant. The pastor, who con-celebrated encouraged those who attended the Mass, to meet with Seculars as they left church to learn more about our order, which many did. We may even have one or two at the picnic.

Fraternity Elections 2018.

The deadline for submitting acceptance of Nominations Form is midnight on August 8, 2018. The slate for the elections will be sent to our fraternity council after that date and will be published in the September issue of this newsletter. Please pray for our fraternity: That we judiciously and prayerfully elect capable members to be our Servant Leaders from 2018 - 2021. We pray to the Lord. Peace and All Good. Nominations Committee.

Please remember in your prayers:

- Bob Eagleton, OFS who has gone home to the Lord.
- Teresa Cullen, OFS, Jackie Foley, OFS, Jackie Bradley, Julie Bash, OFS, Jo-Ann Hardwick, OFS, Gorge Wurzel (Jane's brother) and Edison Marshal (Dixie's husband) who are in need of healing.