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The Fraternity Gathering for October will be Virtual

October 28 at 7:00 pm

*Musings on the Franciscan Saints
with Ray Boisvenue, OFS*

We will begin with Liturgy of the Hours, followed by stories of a couple Franciscan saints by Ray Boisvenue, OFS. The zoom call will be set up for questions and discussion following each story. ***During the discussion time, feel free to share a story from your own life about how a Franciscan saint has affected you.*** Please join us using the link below:

Topic: October Fraternity Gathering

Time: Oct 28, 2020 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83118421770?pwd=N2g3THloSzZHUE5Xb0NPMTJaUWJpUT09>

Meeting ID: 831 1842 1770

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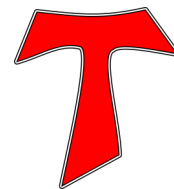
****Please mail your fair share checks for the month to Jeff Dills (address on the back on the newsletter).**

Upcoming Fraternity Gatherings

Oct 28	Fraternity Gathering	7:00 pm	Online
Nov 18	Franciscan Crown Rosary	7:00 pm	St. Thomas
Dec 30	Christmas Devotion	7:00 pm	St. Thomas

Celebrating the Milestones

Wishing our brothers and sisters many blessings!



Professions

Laura Bouchard	November 30
Chuck Drollinger	November 30
Jason George	November 30
Margaret Gessner	November 30
Margo Kiel	November 30
Karon Koepke	November 30
Josephine Simon	November 30
Keith Southernton	November 30
Sue Southernton	November 30
Julie Walters	November 30
Chris Walters	November 30
Jan Windy	November 30

Birthdays

Dorothy Deja	November 5
Rich Michalski	November 9
Harriet Pilson	November 10
Dwayne Betcher	November 12
Todd Oatley	November 19

Little Red Rule Books Are Now Available

If you are interested in purchasing a Little Red Rule Book, please contact Carol or Jeff Dills. They are available for \$3 each.

Message from the Minister

Transitus was beautiful! We gathered in front of the cathedral with our fire and candles to remember the passing of St. Francis to eternal life with our Lord. Deacon Dennis Rybicki led us in a moving prayer. Thank you and thanks to all those that came to pray.

The council has been working hard to plan some upcoming events. We are still prohibited from meeting as we normally do for formation and social time, but we can meet for worship in the church. I hope you have been enjoying our online formation with Br. William Short, OFM. There are many beautiful prayers and devotions in the Secular Franciscan Companion that we can pray together as a fraternity. Therefore, on November 18 we will be praying the Franciscan Litany of the Saints along with the Franciscan Crown Rosary. We will also pray a novena of gratitude written by Fr. Jim Chelich. On December 30 we will pray the Christmas Devotion and still collect for HELP Pregnancy Crisis Aid. Both of these services will be in the church. Please plan on attending. Social distancing guidelines will be in effect.

One more reminder: Please send your monthly fraternity donations to Jeff Dills (his address is on the back of this newsletter). We have been doing so well financially over these months of the pandemic, but last month was a little light in collections. We still have one more payment to make this year on our yearly fair share amount to the Region. I thank all those that have been giving and hope you continue to do so in these last few months. The council is talking about the possibility of giving your contributions electronically. But until that is set up, we ask that you kindly keep sending your checks through the mail. Thank you.

Pax et bonum,

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NOTES

****Please note the new format****

- We ask you to pray for the person you are partnered with all month.
- We encourage **either** person to call to check in or ask for prayer requests.
- All numbers are cell numbers, if available
- M=Mailing list
F=Formation
- Prayer requests can be emailed to Barb Scott and Michelle Bryk

Fair Share Update

If you are excused from attending the fraternity gatherings and would like to send your fair share amount, please make check payable to Our Mother of Sorrows Fraternity and send your check to:

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To Be Excused

If you are unable to attend a fraternity gathering due to health or other hardship reasons, please email:

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Please pray for the repose of the soul of Rose Skorka, who passed away on October 16, 2020 from complications to Covid 19. May she rest in peace.

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