

**ST. JOSEPH CUPERTINO FRATERNITY**  
**Enkindle the Fire of Mercy in our Hearts**  
**Gathering – August 21, 2016 – 1 PM to 4 PM**

*Laudato Si (Praise be to you – On Care For Our Common Home)*, Paragraph 27

“with the depletion of natural resources, we all know that it is not possible to sustain the present level of consumption in developed countries and wealthier sectors of society, where the habit of wasting and discarding has reached unprecedented levels. The exploitation of the planet has already exceeded acceptable limits and we still have not solved the problem of poverty.”

~ Pope Francis



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**SEPTEMBER 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016**  
**OUR ANNUAL PICNIC**

***MINISTERS MESSAGE***

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Francis and Clare,



It's almost here, our September picnic is just around the corner. This year we will not have our picnic at the Manor House, it is under renovation and will be for the next two years or so. Therefore, we need to move the picnic area to the shaded area located at the back parking lot where the chapel entrance is located, slightly up the hill to the right of the Stations of the Cross.

We are asking members and visitors to either bring a potluck dish, or side dish or a dessert. A list will be available at this month's gathering letting us know what you will be bringing, also you can go on line "Sign-Up Genius" at:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e44a5a62da57-september>. Unfortunately, there are no electrical outlets in the area so we will not be able to hook up crock-pots or warmers to heat up food. If you have any questions concerning food, please contact our sister, Denise Donaldson, OFS, (443 683-2538) Food Coordinator.

The council would like to help a refugee family, if you are aware of such a family in need, please contact a council member. Council member names and telephone numbers are to the upper right of this page. ~ *Your Fraternity Council*

# The Flyer



**Our Fraternity Council**

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*Evening Prayer*

**Handout Titled**

**“Community Prayer”**

**No need to bring  
your  
Liturgy of the Hours**

## No Message from Br. Lawrence, on vacation



**Please Pray For ...**

**Connie Baker**, OFS  
**Patrick Caughy**, OFS  
**Marlene Feaga**, OFS  
**Mary Ferrara**, OFS  
**Marie Lindung**, OFS  
**Jim Manning**, OFS  
**Georgianna Papazian**, OFS  
**Nancy Seaton**, OFS  
**Jim Tebo**, OFS



### **OUR DECEASED BROTHERS AND SISTERS**

**Deacon Tom Bello**, OFS  
**Frances Bastress**, SFO  
**Joe Bezila**, SFO  
**Jerry Cichowicz**, SFO  
**Shirley Costello**, OFS  
**Joe Cykoski**, SFO  
**Stella Cykoski**, SFO  
**Claire Lee Davison**, SFO  
**Adela Duff**, SFO  
**Donna Duncan**, SFO  
**Charles Ferrara**, SFO  
**Dolores Fritz**, OFS  
**Marilyn Gilson**, SFO  
**Richard Hall**, SFO  
**Joy Kubricky**, OFS  
**Frances Langbehn**, SFO  
**Bob Lewis**, SFO  
**Jean Manning**, OFS  
**Yvonne Proch**, SFO  
**Betty Taylor**, SFO  
**Bud Tenley**, SFO  
**Regina Yeager**, SFO  
**Dorothy Zalewski**, SFO



August 21<sup>st</sup> Gathering – Rite of Admissions (Inquirers enter into Candidacy)  
Br. Manny will also give a talk on “Mercy”

September 18<sup>th</sup> Gathering – Annual Fraternity Picnic (**in case of rain the picnic will be canceled**)

October 23<sup>rd</sup> Gathering – Profession Ceremony

November 20<sup>th</sup> Gathering – Mass for our deceased sisters and brothers

December 18<sup>th</sup> Gathering – Annual Christmas Party

January 15<sup>th</sup> – Extraction of Saints

### **Book Recommendations**

Our brother, Patrick Caughy, OFS is recommending two outstanding newer biographies of Francis:

**Francis of Assisi - A New Biography** - by Augustine Thompson OP

**St Francis of Assisi, The Life and Afterlife of a Medieval Saint**  
by Andre Vauchez

Patrick writes: “These are both clearly written, engaging and spiritual reflections on Francis in the context of his age. And how Francis defies easy pigeonholing which often define him. They feature the development of the Third Order as it emerged very early as part of the widespread lay penitential movements of which Francis was himself a member”.

**'Those Who Once Walked with Us'**  
by Friar Jeremy Harrington, O.F.M.

What’s in a name? Maybe an opportunity! A name can be affirming and friendly. It can also be judgmental and offensive. I’m intrigued by the names we give to Catholics who do not regularly attend Mass. Some names are negative: “lost sheep,” “fallen away,” “ex-Catholics.” Others are more neutral, such as “inactive Catholics.”

Two approaches are more understanding. First, Bishop Denis Madden, in a recent issue of America magazine, spoke of “inviting those who once walked with us,



## Treasurer's Report

July 1<sup>st</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016

<b>Beginning Balance:</b>	<b>\$1,740.71</b>
Income	409.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,149.71</b>

### Expenses:

Franciscan Friars	100.00
Brother Lawrence	100.00
Stamps	28.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$228.20</b>

**Ending Balance: \$1,921.51**

Thank You for your monthly contributions

**Contribution is Tax Deductible**

## August Birthdays



Jim Tebo, OFS	08/20
Rosemary Whelan, OFS	08/20
Gail Bunyan, OFS	08/21

## Food For Thought

I'm not one who feels that you have to be brave to be a star, but that your life can be satisfying and happy if you work to make a difference. The point is to make a difference by the way you live your life.

Esther Peterson  
(1906-1997)

but have taken a byroad to join us again." If they accepted the invitation, we could call them "Returning Catholics."

Second, Pope Francis, in *The Joy of the Gospel*, gives three areas where we need to share our faith. The first is "ordinary pastoral ministry of the faithful who regularly take part in community worship and gather on the Lord's day." And he adds, "In this category we can also include those members of the faithful who preserve a deep and sincere faith, expressing it in different ways, but seldom take part in worship." The other two areas are "the baptized whose lives do not reflect the demands of Baptism" and "those who do not know Jesus Christ or who have always rejected him." But the pope adds, "Many of these are quietly seeking God, led by a yearning to see his face. . . ."

The pope's approach is friendly and non-judgmental in accordance with his style of preferring to consider individuals and listening to their stories before rushing to judgment. His descriptions are friendly: some have "deep sincere faith, expressing it in different ways," others are "quietly seeking God."

### 'Marked by Joy'

Studies show that about one in three Americans raised in the Catholic Church "no longer walks with us," as Bishop Madden said. This is not new to us. We've seen the empty pews and missing friends and relatives.

What's new is Pope Francis is on the world stage, gaining the attention and applause of many who don't go to church regularly. The pope gives us a new opportunity to reach out and welcome those who may wish to return to the Church. Some may welcome a chance to tell their story to a respectful listener. One person said: "No one ever said they missed me. Even though I stopped coming and contributing, no one asked why." We remember the advice in the First Letter of Peter to give reasons for our hope "but do it with gentleness and kindness."

Doing nothing is not an option for Pope Francis. He is out there showing the way and motivating us. In *The Joy of the Gospel* he says: "We cannot leave things as they presently are." He quotes the Latin American bishops: we "cannot passively and calmly wait in our church buildings." We must "go out to others, seek those who have fallen away." He invites us to "a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to let him encounter us." Francis urges us "to embark upon a new chapter of evangelization marked by joy."

## A quote from St. Clare of Assisi (August 11)

Clare, To Possess a Blessed Eternal Life

- What a great and praiseworthy exchange: to leave the things of time for those of eternity, to choose the things of heaven for the goods of earth, to receive the hundred-fold in place of one, and to possess a blessed eternal life!

# The New Evangelization for the Transmission of the Christian Faith

- Pope Francis

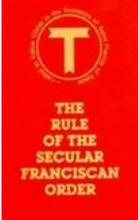
Vatican City, 13 June 2013 (VIS) – “The New Evangelization for the Transmission of the Christian Faith”. “There is a close connection, between these two elements: the transmission of the Christian faith is the purpose of the new evangelization and of all the Church's evangelizing work, which exists precisely for this. The expression 'New Evangelization', therefore, highlights the increasingly clear awareness that, even in countries with an ancient Christian tradition, a renewed proclamation of the Gospel is necessary to bring us back to the encounter with Christ that truly transforms our lives and that isn't superficial or marked by routine. The conditions of the society in which we live oblige all of us therefore to revise methods, to seek by every means to study how we can bring the Christian message to modern man. For it is only in the Christian message that modern man can find the answer to his questions and the energy for his commitment of human solidarity.”

“I would like to encourage the entire ecclesial community to be evangelizing, to not be afraid to 'go out' of themselves to proclaim, above all trusting in the merciful presence of God who guides us. The techniques are certainly important, but even the most advanced ones couldn't substitute the gentle but effective action of He who is the principal agent of evangelization: the Holy Spirit. It is necessary to let yourselves be led by him, even if He takes us along new paths. It is necessary to let yourselves be transformed by him so that our announcement might be made with words that are always accompanied by the simplicity of our lives, our spirit of prayer, and our charity towards all, especially the lowliest and poorest, by our humility and self-detachment, and by the holiness of our lives”.

**OUR GATHERINGS** – All should make every effort to attend our gathering every month. If you are unable to attend due to illness, work or family obligations, contact a council member (see page 1 for telephone numbers). If you are a candidate or are professed and miss a gathering, please send your check for the Common Fund to:

**Michael Radcliffe, OFS**  
**6324 Morning Time Lane**  
**Columbia, MD 21044**

	<i>Calendar</i>
<b>At the Friary</b>	
<b>Chapel Open Daily</b> <b>From 9 AM – 5 PM</b>	
<b>Noon Mass everyday</b>	
<b>All are Welcome</b>	
<b>Reconciliation</b>	
Wednesdays from 4 - 5pm., and Monday through Saturday at 11:30am.	


<b>Rule 25 of the Secular Franciscan Order</b>
Regarding expenses necessary for the life of the fraternity and the needs of worship, of the apostolate, and of charity, all the brothers and sisters should offer a contribution according to their means.
Local fraternities should contribute toward the expenses of the higher fraternity councils.