



August 2016

We had a wonderful meeting this Saturday and look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting on September 10th.

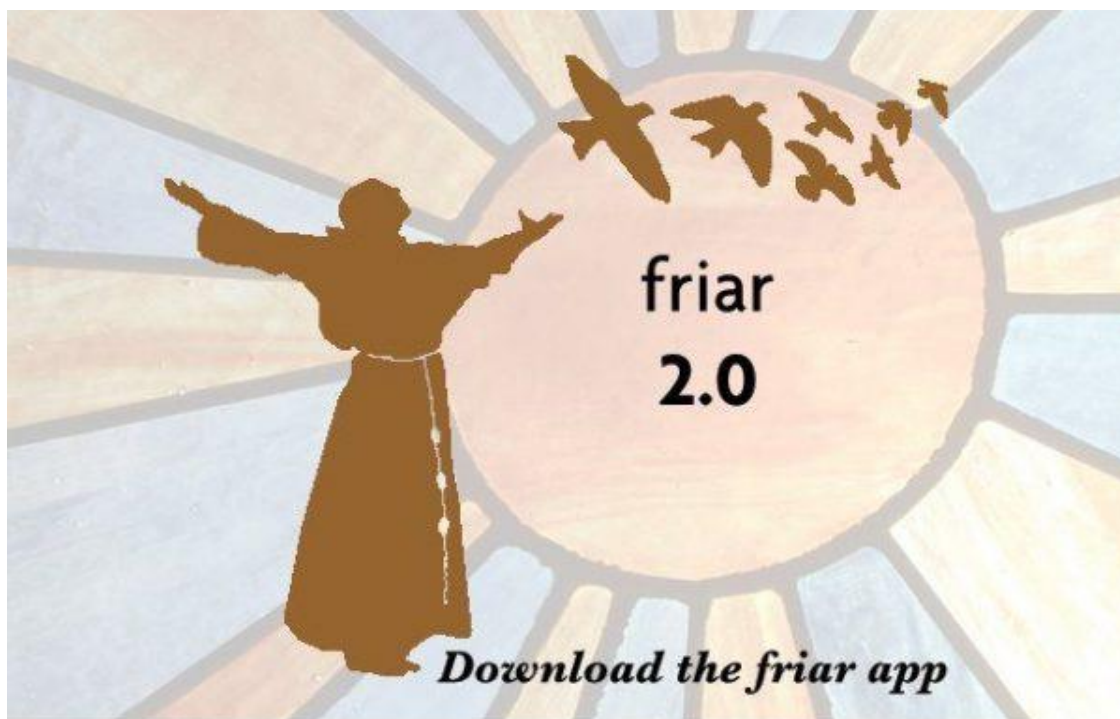
Pax Et Bonum, John

Franciscan News

1) John is now a member of the Social Media Committee of NAFRA, and at the August meeting has been asked to develop a website for formation. Hoping to have a draft to show at the National Chapter in Florida on November 1st. Please keep this project for the growth of our order in your prayers.

2) The US Franciscans have updated their FREE App with some new features.

[US Franciscan's Website](#)



Notes for August

Attendance: John, Phil, Martha, and Kathleen.

1) Formation - discussion about Franciscan books of influence.

2) Discussion about 2nd Annual Virginia Gathering on July 30th

- Compliments from those who attended and request to do it again next year.
- [The Virginia Gathering was highlighted in Up To Now](#) (St. Margaret of Cortona's Regional Newsletter for August)

3) Discussion about celebrating the Transitus and Feast of St. Francis October 3-4

- Invitation from fraternities to join together for Transitus service in Manassas, Virginia. October 3, 2016 —Celebration of the Transitus, 7:00 pm, All Saints Catholic Church Chapel, Manassas, Va. RSVP by September 15 to Peggy Gregory, OFS, at margaret.a.gregory@gmail.com or Rita Colleran, OFS at rita.colleran@comcast.net
- Invitation from Carl to have a BBQ at his home in October 4th for the Feast of St. Francis.

- Will discuss plans for these dates at our September 10th meeting.

4) Planning for the Annual Retreat at Our Lady of the Angels Monastery on October 22-23

- Plans for food and who wants to stay overnight at cabin -- more discussion at our September meeting to organize and set logistics.

Fraternity Milestones:

Birthdays:

- Kathleen Cunningham - September 6
- Elizabeth Adams-Eilers - September 17

Profession Anniversaries:

- None for August or September

Remembrance for those who have gone before us:

- Mary Benza, O.F.S.

Upcoming Dates:

- **August 27th - Trader Joe's pickup at 10am**
- **September 1st - Day of Prayer for Care for Creation (2nd Annual started by Pope Francis)**
- **September 10th - next meeting for Mount LaVerna Fraternity 12:15pm**
- **September 24th - 40th Anniversary ParishFest at Church of the Incarnation**
- **October 8th 12:15pm** -- meeting and Elections for officers (done every three years -- prayerfully consider)
- **October 14-16 - Formation Directors Weekend - Loyola Retreat House on the Potomac (NOTE: deadline to register is August 26th - form in Up To Now)**
- **Saturday & Sunday October 22-23 - Annual Fraternity Retreat at Our Lady of the Angels Monastery in Crozet.**
- **November 11-12, 2016 — Regional Chapter and National Visitation, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, 1800 Seton Drive, Crofton, Md.**

Feast of God Our Father at Terra Patris August 7th

We had a wonderful day at Terra Patris in Goshen, Virginia. John, Gail, and Helga joined a group in walking and praying the Stations of Creation. We hope to make another pilgrimage with our fraternity in the near future.



Mercy in Action

Our fraternity is beginning a new work of mercy to help our parish food bank each month. We will be making a monthly pick-up of food at Trader Joe's. Sheila reports that this ministry is now serving 140 area families, who receive needed food each week. On Saturday July 23rd we filled-up 2 cars with food and delivered to the NEW Food Ministry Area. Thanks for everyone's help.

NEXT PICK-UP: Saturday, August 27th at 10am

Prayer Wall on our fraternity website

Please check out our new Prayer Wall on our fraternity website:

- You can submit your prayers and view them on the prayer wall.
- Click on prayers to send message that they are prayed for.
- Submissions can also be made anonymously.
- You can check box to get a daily e-mail of how many people prayed for you.

[Prayer Wall LINK](#)

[Prayer Wall Submissions LINK](#)



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