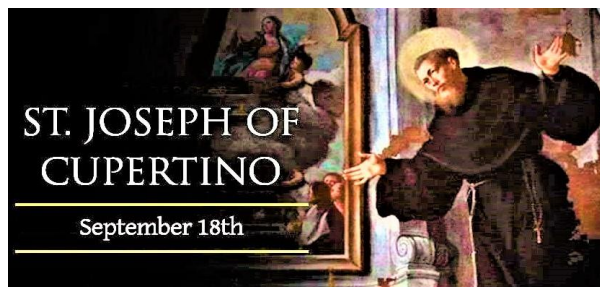


The Flyer

ST. JOSEPH CUPERTINO FRATERNITY

2019 THEME
"BE HOLY"



BE SOLICITOUS TO
MAKE YOUR
ELECTIONS
PERMANENT

ACTING MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone,

Spring is almost here with its promise of new life. Let us rejoice in the beauty of the season. This month Brother Lawrence will speak on the topic of " Becoming Saints ". Also included in this month's newsletter are the various job descriptions for the Council positions that will be open at our May gathering and triennial elections. Please carefully read the descriptions and prayerfully consider whether you are being called to serve the fraternity.

Pax et Bonum,
Ed

VICE MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Our book share group has decided to break until next Fall when we will begin a new book (to be determined) and all are encouraged to come.

Geri Flynn, OFS.

MARCH 17, 2019
EVENING PRAYER

Rosary
Sorrowful Mysteries



March

Brother Lawrence will
speak to us on
"Ways to become a Saint"

Our Fraternity Council 2016 – 2019

Acting Minister: Ed Burgee, OFS 410 788-2718
Secretary: France Staudenmann, OFS 301 366-1769
Councilor: Lita Maisel, OFS, 410 747-2374
Spiritual Assistant: Be. Lawrence LaFlame, OFM. Conv. 410 485-5000

Acting Vice Minister: Geri Flynn, OFS, 410 730-4395
Treasurer: Michael Radcliffe, OFS, 301 310-5204
Councilor: Mary Karth, OFS, 301 514-5717

FRANCISCAN CENTER GIVING

Don't forget to bring your donated items to this month's gathering. Please pick from below:

Hand sanitizer	Soap
Toothbrushes	Toothpaste
Shampoo & conditioner	Washcloths
Deodorant	Disposable razors
Feminine hygiene products	

Your donations are tax deductible.



Remembering Your Profession

Gail Bunyan, OFS 20 years 03/21/99



Please Pray For ...

Connie Baker, OFS
Marie Lindung, OFS
Georgianna Papazian, OFS
Jim Tebo, OFS



OUR DECEASED SISTERS AND BROTHERS

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
Mary Ferrara, SFO
Dolores Fritz, OFS
Marilyn Gilson, SFO
Richard Hall, SFO
Joy Kubricky, OFS
Frances Langbehn, SFO
Bob Lewis, SFO
Jean Manning, OFS
Jim Manning, OFS
Yvonne Proch, SFO
Nancy Seaton, SFO
Don Sweitzer, OFS
Betty Taylor, SFO
Bud Tenley, SFO
Regina Yeager, SFO
Dorothy Zalewski, SFO

Laudato Si (Praise be to you – On Care For Our Common Home).

VI. WEAK RESPONSES

Paragraph 56. "In the meantime, economic powers continue to justify the current global system where priority tends to be given to speculation and the pursuit of financial gain, which fail to take the context into account, let alone the effects on human dignity and the natural environment. Here we see how environmental deterioration and human and ethical degradation are closely linked. Many people will deny doing anything wrong because distractions constantly dull our consciousness of just how limited and finite our world really is. As a result, "whatever is fragile, like the environment, is defenseless before the interests of a deified market, which become the only rule."

~ Pope Francis

ELECTIONS IN MAY 2019

General Constitutions, Articles 50, 51 and 52

Who is eligible to be elected these offices? Any permanently professed sister or brother has the right to be elected to an office.

Who is eligible to nominate? Any permanently professed or temporarily professed sister or brother.

Who is eligible to vote? Any permanently professed or temporarily professed sister or brother can vote.

March Birthdays



Mick Michieli-Beasley, OFS	03/05
Cindy Mohler, OFS	03/13
Amy Kulesa, OFS	03/14
Karan Bevers, OFS	03/21
France Staudenmann, OFS	03/29



Calendar

AT THE FRIARY

Chapel open daily
Noon Mass every day
From 9 AM – 5 PM

For more information call
410 531-2800



Treasurer's Report

February – 2019

Beginning Balance:	\$ 2,195.16
Common Fund	<u>884.74</u>
Total	\$ 3,039.90

Expenses:

Brother Lawrence	100.00
Franciscan Friars	100.00
Formation Expense	65.74
Office Expense	66.76
Web Fee	<u>15.00</u>

Total \$347.50

Ending Balance: \$ 2,692.40

Thank you for your monthly
contributions

Contributions are tax deductible

Below are the job descriptions for each office to be elected:

Duties of the Council from our SFO Constitution

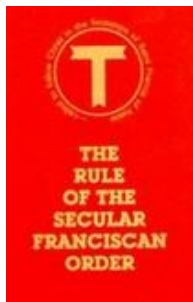
It is the duty of the council of the local fraternity:

- * to promote the initiatives necessary for fostering fraternal life, for improving the human, Christian, and Franciscan formation of its members and for sustaining their witness and commitment in the world;
- * to make concrete and courageous choices, appropriate for the situation of the fraternity, from among the numerous activities possible in the field of the apostolate.
- * The duties of the council are also:
 - a. to decide on the acceptance and admission to Profession of new brothers and sisters, (see Const. 39, 3 and 41, 1.)
 - b. to establish a fraternal dialogue with members in particular difficulties and to adopt consequent measures.
 - c. to receive the request for withdrawal and to decide on the suspension of a member from the fraternity;
 - d. to decide on the establishment of sections or groups in conformity with the Constitutions and the statutes;
 - e. to decide on the destination of available funds and, in general, to deliberate on matters concerning the financial conduct and economic affairs of the fraternity;
 - f. to assign duties to the councilors and to the other professed members;
 - g. to request from the competent superiors of the First Order and the TOR suitable and prepared religious as assistants;
 - h. to perform such other duties as are required by these Constitutions or which are necessary to carry out its proper purposes.

The Duties of the Minister, who is the person primarily responsible in the fraternity, are to ensure that the directions and decisions of the fraternity and of the council are put into practice. He or she will keep the council informed concerning his or her activities. The minister also has the following duties:

- to call, to preside at, and to direct the meetings of the fraternity and council; to convoke every three years the elective chapter of the fraternity;
- to prepare the annual report to be sent to the council of the higher Level after it has been approved by the council of the fraternity;
- to request, with the consent of the council, the pastoral and fraternal visits, at least once every three years.
- to put into effect those acts which the Constitutions refer to his or her competence.
- the minister represents the fraternity in all its relations with Ecclesiastical and civil authorities. In addition, when the fraternity acquires a juridical personality in the civil order, the minister becomes, when possible, its legal representative.

General Constitutions of the Secular Franciscan Order



December 8, 2000

The Form of Life Article 15

2. Secular Franciscans, who must provide for their own families and serve society by means of their work and material goods, have a particular manner of living evangelical poverty. To understand and achieve it requires a strong personal commitment and the stimulation of the fraternity in prayer and dialogue, communal review of life, and attentiveness to the instructions of the Church, and the demands of society.

**The Elections are coming
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**Consider a position on the
fraternity council**

May 19, 2019

**Our fraternity will be
holding elections for
2019 - 2022**

The Vice-Minister has the following duties:

- to collaborate with the minister in a fraternal spirit and to support him or her in carrying out the duties proper to him or her;
- to exercise those functions which are entrusted to him or her by the council and/or by the assembly or chapter;
- to take the place of the minister in both his or her competencies and responsibilities in case of absence or temporary incapacity;
- to assume the functions of the minister when the office remains vacant.

The Secretary has the following duties:

- to compile the official acts of the fraternity and of the council and to assure that they are sent to their respective proper recipients;
- to see to the updating and preservation of the records and the registers, noting admissions, professions, deaths, withdrawals, and transfers from the fraternity.

The Director of Formation, has the following duties:

- to coordinate the formative activities according to Arts. 40 ff of these Constitutions;
- to instruct and animate the brothers and sisters in the period of formation, (see Const. 39 ff.) Concerning the participation of the spiritual assistant in formation, (see Art. 89,4 of the Constitutions).
- to inform the council of the fraternity concerning the suitability of the candidate(s), prior to admission and profession. (see Const. 41.)

The Treasurer, or bursar, has the following duties:

- to guard diligently the contributions received, recording each receipt in the appropriate register, with the date on which it was given, the name of the contributor, or the one from whom it was collected;
- to record in the same register the items of expense, specifying the date and the purpose, in conformity with the directions of the fraternity council.
- to render an account of his or her administration to the assembly and to the council of the fraternity according to the norms of the national statutes.

The provisions regarding the vice-minister, the secretary and the treasurer apply, with the appropriate adaptations, to all levels

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
8140 Madrillon Court
Vienna, Virginia 22182

Or by using PayPal on our fraternity website at
http://stjosephcupertino.sfousa.org/common_fund/