



# THE FLYER

**Newsletter for the St. Joseph Cupertino  
Fraternity of the Secular Franciscans USA**

May 19, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY

“Gaze upon Him; consider  
Him; contemplate Him, as  
you desire to imitate Him.”

*Saint Clare*

## UPCOMING: May Franciscan Rosary

**Gather after mass for fellowship in the Dining Room. Meeting at 2 pm.**

- ◆ Meetings are third Sunday of the month at 2 pm. (See website for date changes and updates)
- ◆ Check out our website: <https://StJosephCupertino.SFOUSA.org/Welcome-To-Our-Fraternities-Website>
- ◆ Check out our regional website: <https://SaintMargaretOfCortona.org/>
- ◆ Check out our national website: <https://SecularFranciscansUSA.org/>

## **Brother Lawrence, OFM Conv.**

*Celebration of 40th  
Anniversary of Religious  
Profession of Br. Lawrence  
LaFlame, OFM Conv.*

**ARCHBISHOP CURLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

**SATURDAY JUNE 29, 2024**  
**SUNDAY LITURGY 4 PM CURLEY SCHOOL CHAPEL**  
**3701 SINCLAIR LANE, BALTIMORE MD 21237**  
**RECEPTION TO FOLLOW**

Please respond to Julie Maney by May 31 2024  
 410-485-5000 x 208  
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### Minister's Note

*Thank you to everyone who helped with the OPEN HOUSE. It was a wonderful turn out. Please keep praying for vocations!*

I attended my godson's wedding this past weekend. Of course, I cried. I was there when he took his first breath and for many moments since his birth. To see him start this new chapter with a lovely bride, I was overcome with joy.

As we celebrated the Eucharist, I thought of how overcome our Mother Mary would have been when Jesus was born, and at all His special moments as well. She knows our joy and our pain as mothers, fathers, godmothers, godfathers, and people of God.

We need her intercession and her help, especially through the Rosary. Please say a decade for my godson and for all newly married couples. Pray a decade for your family. Pray for all the families who are suffering. Pray a decade for world peace. Pray a decade for all our Franciscan brothers and sisters. May this month of Mary be a time that we rely on her, and send prayers of intercession for all.

Please bring a Rosary with you to the gathering this month as we will end with the Franciscan Crown Rosary.

In His Love  
Melissa

*Do you have an article for the newsletter? Please send your input to Melissa. The word count should be under 500 words. Share your insights and thoughts with the fraternity.*



Pilgrimage to Assisi September 10-19, 2024  
Join Father Noel Danielewicz, OFM Conv.

For more information reach out to Melissa.



### Maryland Camino

From June 10 to June 23, pilgrims will hike across Maryland from Point Lookout to the Shrine of Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg. The trek is 218 miles long.

There are many options to participate in the Camino. You do not need to walk the entire length. Mass will be offered every day, and confession will be available.

Please see here for more information: <https://www.camino-md.org/>

*Formation Thought of the Month:*

Preparation-

“I bend my knee to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Through the prayers of our glorious Virgin Mary, Christ’s Holy Mother, and of blessed father Francis and all the saints, may the Lord who has given us such a good beginning increase the gift and the blessing and our final perseverance together. Amen”

-Clare of Assisi

From The St. Clare Prayer Book by Jon M. Sweeney pg.103

St Margaret of Cortona CHAPTER OF MATS  
Registration is **NOW OPEN** for our **September 6-8, 2024**  
**Chapter of Mats** to be held at the beautiful  
**Claggett Center** in Adamstown, Maryland. Under the theme  
of **The Next 800** Years, we will explore where we have  
been, where we are now,  
and where we are going.



Volunteer to help Little Portion Farm at <https://www.LittlePortionFarm.org>

Food grown helps those in need.



**Help at the Shrine:** Volunteer as a lector, Eucharistic Minister, Usher, especially before our gatherings. Help staff a table to invite interest in the Secular Franciscan Order. Email Melissa.

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*Bible quotes are from the Douay-Rheims translation, unless otherwise noted.*



## Treasurer's Report

April – 2024

<b>Beginning (running) Balance:</b>	<u>\$ 3,751.37</u>
<b>Income:</b>	
Common Fund Contributions	\$260.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b><u>\$ 260.00</u></b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Spiritual Assistant	\$ 100.00
Franciscan Friars	100.00
Fair share to the Regional	1,160.00
Open House	82.09
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b><u>\$ 1,442.09</u></b>
<b>Ending (running) Balance:</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,569.28</u></b>

If you are unable to attend the gatherings, you can send your contributions to the fraternity.

Contributions are tax deductible.

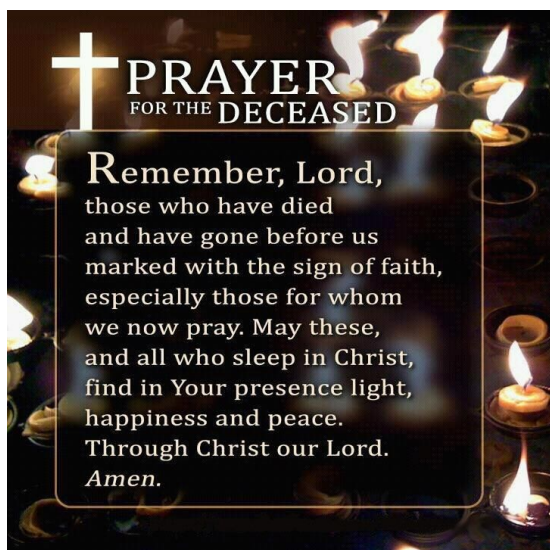
Direct Donation checks to: **St. Joseph Cupertino Fraternity**

Mail donations to:

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You may use your bank's **BILL PAY**. Direct payment to **St. Joseph Cupertino Fraternity C/O the address above.**

**NOTE! FOR BILL PAY, THE ADDRESS HAS CHANGED.**



# Happy Birthday!

This month:

Patrick Caughy 5/18  
Mimi Cox Owens 5/18  
Ray Heverling 5/31

Next month:

Richard Lam 6/6

### Book Share--

Thomas A' Kempis' classic Imitation of Christ.

First Saturdays from 1-3 pm on ZOOM!

Contact Geri Flynn OFS for details:  
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PRAYER LIST

For Healing:

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