



St Anthony of Padua Fraternity Bulletin

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Dates to Remember

Sun. Apr 17th

Palm Sunday-Holy Week

3:00 Fraternity Meeting

Wed. May 4th

Council meeting; 6:30 at St. B's in school

Sat. May 7th

8:00 a.m. SFO Mass

Sat May 14th

Blessing at Northside Life Care Center

Sun May 15th

3:00 Fraternity Meeting

Sat , June 11th

Council meeting after 8:00 a.m. mass

Mon. June 13

7:00 PM Feast day mass reception to follow

Sun June 19

NO SFO Meeting

Monthly Highlights:

May Theme—Come and See
May Devotion vespers & pot-luck

May Treats— Mona

May Visitation— TBD

May Column—Julie

June Theme—Feast Day

June Treats— All

June Visitation— Kathy & Herm

June Column—Herman

July Theme—Picnic

Laying Down Your Life:

And as His Passion was near, He celebrated the Passover with His disciples and, taking bread, gave thanks, blessed and broke it, saying: *Take and eat: This is My Body.* And taking the cup He said: *This is My Blood of the New Covenant which will be poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.* Then he prayed to His Father saying: *Father, if it can be done, let this cup pass from me. And His sweat became as drops of blood falling on the ground.* Nevertheless, He placed His will in the will of His Father, saying: *Father, let Your will be done; not as I will, but as You will.* His Father's will was such that His blessed and glorious Son, Whom He gave to us and Who was born for us, should offer Himself through His own blood as a sacrifice and oblation on the altar of the cross: not for Himself through Whom all things were made, but for our sins, leaving us an example that we may follow His footprints.

St Francis of Assisi, "Later Admonition and Exhortation to the Brothers and Sisters of Penance." 46



Would you be willing to give of yourself for others as radically as Jesus did?

What ways have you demonstrated your willingness to follow Christ to the cross?

How many ways have you expressed love for your family, church, neighbor?

How many times have you stopped to thank God or listen to God in silence?

How is Christ calling you? What areas of your life need transforming?

Guest Article - Maria: Trust

My column for this month is on TRUST. Trust in the Lord. I belong to a woman's prayer group. We meet every Tuesday. Our discussions are always lively and filled with faith sharing. My sister Julie, who is in this group, stated in the first week or so of the New Year, that Trust was going to be the Word for the year. This word immediately hit home for me. My journey over the last year has been a challenge for me. The economy has really taken a toll on the daily financial situation of my family. As with most couples it is always a strain on the marriage. We have committed to Catholic education for our daughters and that has stretched things beyond our resources. Credit card companies and mortgage companies have become ruthless in their collection practices as well. These are personal struggles. The world seems to struggle as well. It seems as if wars and catastrophes are breaking out everywhere. I have no problem resting in the presence of the Lord in the Holy Mass. I am moved by the sacrifice that He and His Mother made for us. And then I walk out the door. Do I trust the Lord to help hold my marriage together? Is this the spouse that is meant for me and if so, why is it so tough sometimes? Am I meant to keep to keep living in this house? Is this school where my daughter reads the word of God often and is taught Christian values worth fighting for even though it is almost beyond our abilities

to handle all this? What's going to happen if my husband's company closes down now that they have hardly any business? Trust in the Lord. Most of us have struggled with many of these issues through the years. Is it just me or are there too many of them?

As many of you know our mother has had major bypass surgery about a month ago. We trusted that the Lord would take care of her as she has committed her life to Him a long time ago. He did and we all marvel at the way He orchestrated the events to make her care and recovery happen. Besides, there were many beautiful souls praying for her. But recently she had to have another surgery. Leading up to it we didn't know what was wrong and I was concerned that she would be ok. All has gone well and hopefully that was what was causing her recovery to reverse so she can move forward and get healthier. I need to trust in the Lord!

As we head into this holy of holy weeks we remember and reflect on what God has done for us sinners. It is the MOST powerful of acts of love and good against evil and despair ever in the history of the world!

May the truth of this that we know so well convict us in our trust and in God's Divine mercy and care.

News from Browns Valley Fraternity

Sr. Mary Lou Eltgroth and Ed Feiler joined the Browns Valley Fraternity along with their Spiritual Assistant, Sr. Mary Ann Capizzo for visitation at their Sunday, March 6th meeting. They all enjoyed a meal after morning mass with Father Joe joining them. Fr. Joe knew all of them. He had been pastor at Sister Mary Lou's parish. Visitation went well and there was good discussion. The Browns Valley fraternity has received a visitation report back from Sr. Mary Lou and Ed and has already implemented some of their suggestions and has responded to their questions. The Browns Valley fraternity is looking forward to moving toward canonical establishment.

Regional Elections

The annual meeting of Ministers will take place in Buffalo, MN the first weekend of June this year. While this event is always important, it is particularly important this year inasmuch as elections for regional council members will be taking place. I would ask that our fraternity members pray that the people currently being nominated will strongly consider running for a position and that we will have a good slate of candidates for our fraternity Ministers to vote for on election day. While we do not deal with the regional council on a day-to-day basis, those elected to their positions need our support and prayers so that our region will continue to grow and carry the spirit into the world that Francis would wish for us to have.

May 15 Come & See, Vespers & Potluck Our fraternity will sponsor a Come & See on Sunday, May 15th from 3:00-4:00 followed by Vespers and a potluck with the St. B's parishioners. Please invite someone to come and see what being a secular is all about. Do you have a fellow parishioner, a friend, a family member who might be interested? Julie is ready to start another formation class with three new people and we'd love the formation class to be even bigger. The Calling Committee will call with a reminder to invite someone and bring a potluck dish.

Mar 11 Balance	293.24		Treasurer Report: 
Mar 11 General Fund	\$360.00	St Bridget's	
	-2.94	Bank fee	
	-200.00	Spiritual Assistant Stipend	
	-50.00	Speaker Stipend, Br David	
	<34.00>	In kind donations -postage, printing	
APR 2011 Balance	\$400.34	Fraternity General Fund	

The Love of the Cross: St Clare of Assisi

Look, I say, at the border of this mirror, that is,
the poverty of Him
Who was placed in a manger and
wrapped in swaddling clothes.

O marvelous humility!
O astonishing poverty!
The King of angels,
The Lord of heaven and earth,
Is laid in a manger!

Then reflect upon, at the surface of the mirror,
the holy humility, at least the blessed poverty,
the untold labors and punishments
that He endured for the redemption of the whole
human race.

May 14, North Side Lifecare News

Dear Prayer Warriors,

In light of all that has been going on at the center, we have cancelled the breakfast scheduled for April 30 at Epiphany Church. Instead, Fr. Anthony Criscitelli has agreed to come and bless the center.

On May 14, we will begin with 8:30 mass at St. Bridget's, and then come to North Side for 9:00 blessing. I believe that this time of prayer is of vital importance to the center and hope you will all try to be here. If you can't, please be with us in spirit.

Thank you so much for fighting the battle with us!

Cindy Lorsung, Director of Client Services

Lenten Soup Supper 2011

The Seculars hosted soup supper on Friday, March 25th. While the crowd was lower in numbers this year both from the seculars and St. Bridget's community, there was still a nice turnout and attendance afterwards at stations. For those who stayed home because they didn't think they were going to get any meat, we had a wide variety of soups available (with meat) because of it being an exception for the Feast of the Annunciation. Thanks to all who made soup, bread or desserts, to those who served and to all who assisted with in setup and take down. It was especially nice to see Doris at this gathering. Seeing Doris made my day! Tammy

Finally contemplate, in the depth of this same mirror,
The ineffable charity that He chose
to suffer on the tree of the Cross
and to die there the most shameful kind of death.
The Fourth letter to Agnes of Prague, 56



Floods & Earthquakes; Help Needed

In response to Ed's letter that follows, we will have a special collection in May —We have all been touched by the effects of the earthquakes in Japan and worry about the potential flooding in the upper Midwest. We have all seen flood watches for various parts of the upper Midwest. Fargo city officials said volunteers came from 22 states and more than 325 cities to help fill hundreds of thousands of sandbags in February and March for the upcoming Red River flood fight.

We have all seen and heard about the earthquakes and tsunamis in Japan and the subsequent problems with nuclear power plants. Archbishop Timothy Dolan of New York, president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), expressed the prayers and solidarity of the U.S. bishops and Catholics for the people of Japan following the March 11 earthquake. Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the humanitarian agency of the U.S. bishops, is responding to the tragedy and receiving donations, said Bishop Gerald Kicanas of Tucson, Arizona, chairman of the CRS board.

On Ash Wednesday Pat and I attended Mass at Saint Vincent de Paul Church in Brooklyn Park. Father Jack Long, the pastor, in his homily, said that Lent is a time of prayer, fasting, almsgiving and charitable action. Franciscan evangelization calls us to aid those who are poor and suffering. I am asking all Queen of Peace fraternities to consider giving donations to help our brothers and sister who may suffer from flooding in the Midwest or our brothers and sisters in Japan. Please send your donations to our Regional Treasurer, Pat Hendrickson. Indicate on your checks your preference as to where the gift should go: Floods or Japan. Pat will send the money to Catholic Relief Services. In order to be most effective, please send your gifts by May 31. Pat Hendrickson's address is 19219 Lowell Street NW, Elk River MN 55330.

Letter sent to all Fraternities by Ed Feiler, Minister of Queen of Peace Region



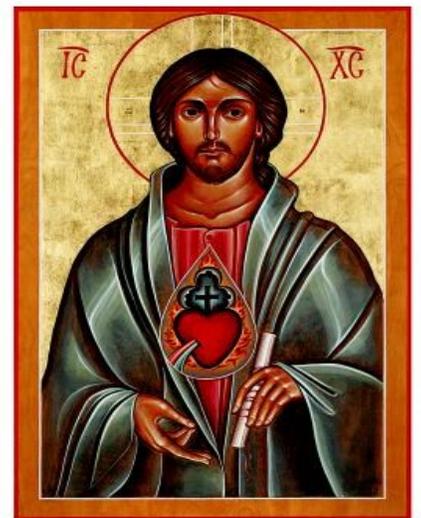
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National Prayer for Secular Franciscan Vocations:

**O, GOOD AND GRACIOUS GOD,
GOD OF MERCY, COMPASSION, GENEROSITY, AND LOVE,
AS WE LIVE OUR LIVES TODAY IN THE MODEL
OF ST. FRANCIS,
CHOOSING DAILY TO LIVE THE GOSPEL LIFE,
HELP US TO HELP OTHERS HEAR YOUR CALL,
HELP US TO HELP OTHERS TO RECOGNIZE
THEIR VOCATION AS A SECULAR FRANCISCAN
THAT YOU HAVE ALREADY PLANTED IN THEIR
HEART.
HELP US, SO THAT TOGETHER WE ALL MAY
WORK
TO BRING THE GOSPEL TO LIFE.
AMEN!**

**(by Marian R.
Crosby, sfo)**

*I will give them a heart to know that I
am the LORD; and they shall be my people and I
will be their God, for they shall return to me
with their whole heart. Jer 24*



Prayers:

- ◆ From Shirley G. - for healing for her daughter, Mary Ann G., after her surgery.
- ◆ For Kathy K's return home.
- ◆ For Carol as she continues from a second surgery for continued healing and return to good health.
- ◆ For Julie S.'s daughter and son-in-law for employment for Erik and for a safe pregnancy for Sarah.
- ◆ From Sallie S: My son, Erick, is unfortunately getting divorced. I ask for your prayers for Erick to have patience and be confident that the proceedings will end soon. Also, please pray for Sharon, that she will come to understand that the relationship is over and will stop delaying the proceedings so they both can move on. Erick is stationed in Germany and it is difficult for me that I am not near him. Thank you so much for your prayers.
- ◆ From Sallie S. - Thank you all for your prayers for my sister, Cheryl. She is home and will have an MRI on Thurs. (4/7) Her heart is okay and they think she had a mini stroke.
- ◆ In thanksgiving for some answers and improvement for Tom M. with his eyesight.
- ◆ In thanksgiving for the sale of LaRayne and Joe's home.
- ◆ For employment for Joan.
- ◆ For the Brown's Valley fraternity and their needs.
- ◆ For the flood victims in our country.
- ◆ For vocations to the Franciscan family to all the orders.
- ◆ For the unemployed and underemployed
- ◆ For all of our SFO families' prayer needs.
- ◆ For North Side Life Care Centers and Robbinsdale Women's Center needs and clients needs especially those prayers needed to bring about life
- ◆ For all those inquiring whether the Secular Franciscans are appropriate for them and especially for growth in our fraternity
- ◆ For God's protection on all the leaders of our fraternity, our region, our national fraternity and the SFO order

From around the region:

For the repose of the soul of Ronald Joel Digre, 68, of Rochester, husband of St. Louis Fraternity Minister Ramona Digre passed away Sunday, March 27, 2011

Please keep Pat, her dad, and the family in prayer. Pat Feiler is from the Fioretti Fraternity in Brainerd, MN. Her husband, Ed Feiler, is our Queen of Peace Regional Minister.

Pat Feiler's dad, Richard Miles, is in North Memorial Hospital in Robbinsdale, MN. The prostate surgery was attempted on Friday but had to be curtailed due to equipment failure. On Monday morning we took him to the emergency room and he was admitted to the hospital with diastolic heart failure. At 92, he is in very serious condition. Please pray for his recovery

Deceased members of the fraternity:

Praise be to you, My Lord, through our Sister Bodily Death. ~ St. Francis

Peg Agar (BV) (10-2-2008)
Peg Arf (2-26-2006)
Bernadette Borman (7-18-2002)
Mary E. Boufford ((3-26-2008)
Fred Brown (12-21-2007)
Marie Brown (10-31-1996)
Cecilia Chouinard (1-19-2002)
Richard Chyrklund (12-22-2000)
Hazel DeMarais (12-24-1990)
Bro. Michael Gaworski (8-28-2003)
Lorraine Gunderson (3-23-2007)
Lois Hiller
Rosamond Johnson (4-13-1993)
William M. Johnson (4-4-1988)
Irene Leach (8-2-2007)
Mildred Miller (2/28/10)
Leonard Note (12-8-1991)
Anthony Oulette
Isabelle Oulette
Cathy Reilly (12-21-2007)
Alex Riebe (6-17-1991)
Irene Riebe (9-6-2002)
Susie Rieschl (6-4-2004)
Jerry Witzman (4-28-2003)
Spiritual Assistants
Fr. Valerius Messerich (5-10-2007)
Bro. Alexis Nagle (11-16-2004)
Fr. Killian Perry (2-20-2001)
Fr. Vincent Spinos (5-12-2008)
Fr. Robert Juroszek (5-4-2010)

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May 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 2nd Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday Friar Ambrose Philips and Pearl Whelan (BV)	2 St. Athanasius Friar Patrick Quinn and Carol Wolney (BV)	3 Sts. Philip & James, Apostles Friar Mark Reifel and Joe Wolney	4 Bls. Thomas, Henry, Arthur, John and Charles Friar Blase Romano and Mona Wolney	5 Bl. Edmund Rice Friar Edward Sabo and Sue Wolney	6 Bl Francois de Montmorency Laval Friar Wililam Santre and Tammy Wolney	7 Friar Giles Schinelli and Tim Wolney
8 3rd Sunday of Easter Friar Frank Scornaienchi and Alice Wortman	9 St. Catherin of Bologna Friar Patrick Seelman and Peg Agar (BV)(10-2-08)	10 St. Damien Joseph de Veuster of Moloka'i Friar Fabian Sheganoski and Diana Arrell	11 Friar Gregory Silva and Kathy Bartz (BV)	12 St. Leopold Mandić of Castronovo Friar Terrence Smith and Pat Bennett (BV)	13 Our Lady of Fatima Friar Cory Smoot and Bernie Bottema (BV)	14 St. Matthias Friar Rod Soha and Sharon Brisk
15 4th Sunday of Easter Friar Vincent Spinos (5-12-08) and Rose Chyrklund	16 St. Margaret of Cortona Friar Adrian Tirpak and Monica Cogan	17 St. Paschal Baylon Friar Carl Vacek and Gloria Cory (BV)	18 St. Felix of Cantalice Friar Tello Vu and Joan Dahle	19 St. Theophilus of Corté Friar Didacus Wilson and Edith Foren (BV)	20 St. Bernardine of Siena Friar Jeffrey Wilson and Shirley Foren (BV)	21 St. Christopher Magallanes and comp. Friar Adalbert Wolski and Shirley Graziano
22 5th Sunday of Easter Friar Camillus Angle and Maria Hamilton	23 Friar Stephen Baker and Virginia Hartley	24 Dedication of the Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi Friar Brad Baldwin and Patrice Hassing	25 St. Bede the Venerable Friar Leonard Blostic and Anita Herlofsky (BV)	26 St. Philip Neri Friar Seraphin Conley and Ron Herlofsky (BV)	27 St. Augustine of Canterbury Friar Gerald Connelly and Kathy Irvin	28 St. Mary Ann of Jesus of Parades Friar Seamus Corcoran and Herman Kubow
29 6th Sunday of Easter Friar Anthony Criscitelli and Kathy Kubow	30 St. Camilla Battista Varano Friar Vianney Cunningham and Kay Larson	31 Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Friar Robert D'Aversa and Jane Lazor	1	2	3	4