

IL POVERELLO FRATERNITY

SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

JOY FOR THE JOURNEY

PETALUMA, CA JUNE, 2016

Il Poverello Fraternity Gatherings

June 25th

Day of Reflection *

July 24th

Potluck picnic meeting at Petaluma Old Adobe*

> August Handicapables*

August 28th - Elections

* see Upcoming Events

Il Poverello Fraternity

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Il Poverello Fraternity

Day of Reflection

St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church

3730 Bohemian Highway, Occidental, CA 95465

Saturday, **June** 25th, 2016 9 AM – 3 PM

Minister's Letter - June 2016

Dear brothers and sisters,

Peace be with you!

"Help us to follow the light and live the truth." These words are part of Morning Prayer today as I write.

Last night at a beautiful Gospel Choir performance in Sebastopol, Benjamin, the director reminded us all to be thankful for our God given gifts and blessings. He asked how we were going to help make the world more peaceful and more compassionate.

We can sit in various groups and pray together. We can read libraries full of reflections about God, faith and those we call saints. Yet was it not the Gospels that helped Francis and Clare follow the light of Christ, become more compassionate, and transform into beacons of hope and light for their world?

As our fraternity prepares for elections in August, we are also bringing part of our ongoing formation focus to the Gospels. When we let the stories of Christ truly touch us, there is hope for more respect, more love and more compassion in our life as fraternity. Our new leaders will need support and building up as they call upon God's grace to help them in their roles.

There is opportunity for growth and change ahead. I hope we can embrace the challenges that come with change, and keep ourselves out of the way when new light shines in the group process. Fraternity profession is about being in community, and firing up a community to bring life to the bigger world around us. Franciscan life was never meant to be lived solo.

Let us keep each other in prayer, celebrate each precious day, and lean on the words of Christ as the best guidance for this time in our fraternity.

In Christ's love,

Kathleen Robbiano

Minister, Il Poverello Fraternity

Reading for Saturday, June 4th Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Timothy 4:1-8

Beloved:

I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingly power: proclaim the word; be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient; convince, reprimand, encourage through all patience and teaching.

For the time will come when people will not tolerate sound doctrine but, following their own desires and insatiable curiosity, will accumulate teachers and will stop listening to the truth and will be diverted to myths.

But you, be self-possessed in all circumstances; put up with hardship; perform the work of an evangelist; fulfill your ministry.

For I am already being poured out like a libation, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith.

From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance.



The Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order

As Secular Franciscans we are constantly challenged to mindfully follow the rule of St Francis

- Rule 26 -

As a concrete sign of communion and coresponsibility, the councils on various levels, in keeping with the constitutions, shall ask for suitable and well prepared religious for spiritual assistance. They should make this request to the superiors of the four religious Franciscan families, to whom the Secular Fraternity has been united for centuries.

To promote fidelity to the charism as well as observance of the rule and to receive greater support in the life of the fraternity, the minister or president, with the consent of the council, should take care to ask for a regular pastoral visit by the competent religious superiors as well as for a fraternal visit from those of the higher fraternities, according to the norm of the constitutions.

Papal prayer intentions for JUNE:

Universal - Human Solidarity

That the aged, marginalized, and those who have no one may find—even within the huge cities of the world—opportunities for encounter and solidarity.

Evangelization - Seminarians and Novices

That seminarians and men and women entering religious life may have mentors who live the joy of the Gospel and prepare them wisely for their mission.

Check out Pope Francis' statement in this video: https://gloria.tv/video/3hJw3SqGRKHoCpSo9rheB3kmv

Prayer for Father's Day

Oh St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your divine son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, our Lord; so that having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers.



June – Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

- 1. Bl. Felix de Nicosie, lay brother, Capuchin religious. d. 1787
- **2. Bl. Jean Pelingotto**, Confessor, Franciscan Third Order Secular, *d. 1304*
- **3. Bl. Andre de Spello**, Priest, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1254
- **4. St. Francois caracciolo**, Priest, had been a tertiary before founding or joining another religious Institute, *d.* 1608
- 5. Bl Pacifique de Cerano, Priest,

religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1482

6. Bl. Laurent de Villamagna, Priest,

religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1535

7. Bl. Himiliane Cerchi, Virgin,

Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1246

- 8. Bl. Nicolas de Gesturi, lay brother, Capuchin religious, d. 1958
- 9. Bl. Innocent Guz, Priest, Conventual religious, martyr 1940
- 10. Bl. Edouard Poppe, Priest,

Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1924

- **11. Bl. Yolanda of Hungary**, Virgin, of the Franciscan 2nd-Order; a "Poor Clare" sister, *d. 1298*
- 12. Bl. Floride Cevoli, Virgin, Capuchin religious, d. 1767
- 13. St. Anthony of Padua, Priest,

religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1231

Plenary Indulgence for cordbearers

14. Bl. Zephirin Jimenez, Martyr,

Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1936

- **15. St. Vincente Gerosa**, Virgin, had been a tertiary before founding or joining another religious Institute, *d.* 1847
- **16. Bl. Marie-Therese Scherer**, Virgin, had been a tertiary before founding or joining another religious Institute, *d.* 1888
- 17. Bl. Pierre Gambacorta, Confessor,

Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1435

18. Bl. Guy de Cortone, Priest,

religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1250

- 19. Bl. Achille Puchata, Priest, Conventual religious, martyr 1943
- 20. Bl. Micheline de Pesaro, Virgin,

Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1356

- 21. Bl. Herman Stapien, Priest, Conventual religious, martyr 1943
- 22. St. Thomas More, Martyr,

Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1943

23. St. Joseph Cafasso, Priest,

Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1860

- 24. Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- 25. Bl. Bienvenu de Gubbio, lay brother,

religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1232

26. Bl. Frederic Janssone, Priest,

religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1916

27. Bl. Marguerite Baeys, Virgin,

Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1879

- **28. St. Barthelemie Capitanio**, Virgin, had been a tertiary before founding or joining another religious Institute, *d.* 1833
- 29. Sts. Peter and Paul, Holy Day of Obligation, Plenary Indulgence
- 30. Bl. Raymond Lulle, Martyr,

Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1315

Our Fraternity Prayer Intentions Let us pray

For our Il Poverello fraternity families and friends, for Br. Bob Brady, OFM, for Patch Guglielmino, OFS, Mary Anne and Alice, Evelyn, for Br. Mateo, Robert Bayley and Joan Schaefer, for Sr. Camilla Edwards, and Kathleen Leyden, Edd's brother Mark, may they all Rest In Peace, for Deacons Jim Carr and John Norris, may they continue their ministry in good health, for our Priests for Life and Religious Freedom, for Anthony, Tim, and for Tom Kearns, co-worker of Edd who suffered a stroke last week;

For all of the penitential fraternities worldwide striving to live through the Rule of St. Francis and St. Clare, for all who will soon be professed into a Franciscan Order;

For all religious to be guided through the Holy Spirit to be the feet and hands as our Lord's evangelizers;

For Pope Francis and all church leaders, guidance in directing the church members worldwide;

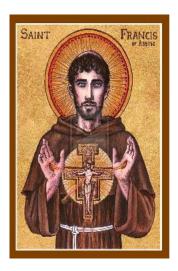
For our nation, as it prepares for another series of elections for representatives, that the electorate is guided to choose those who will seek the common good for everyone;

For healing and restoration for those who are recovering from natural and man-made disasters;

For comfort of the homeless worldwide especially for those fleeing conflicts at home and abroad;

For these and all our intentions,

We pray to the Lord.





Upcoming Events

Il Poverello Fraternity

A Secular Franciscan Gathering

Day of Reflection

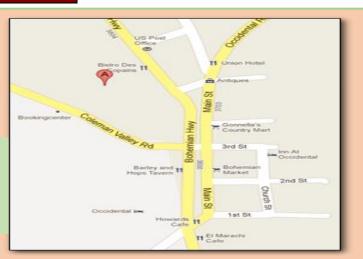
Given by Fr. Tom West, OFM On Saturday June 25th, 2016

St. Philip the Apostle Church 3730 Bohemian Highway Occidental, CA 95465

9AM - 3PM

(Gather 9, program starts 9:30, day includes Mass and Lunch break)





Our meeting on $July\ 24^{th}$ will take place from $1\ to\ 4$ at the



Petaluma Old Adobe

Petaluma Adobe State Historic Park 3325 Adobe Road, Petaluma, CA 94954

Details to be announced

A Day with the Handicapables
August, 2016

Church of the Roses

2500 Patio Court, Santa Rosa, CA

Date and Details to be announced

Care for Creation: Newman Center Garden Project



The seedlings are progressing nicely with the help of volunteers watering efforts. A trench has been dug and water lines are being put in place to make way for a drip irrigation system. More seedlings are being offered to allow for expanding the current bounty. Please consider signing up for watering, weeding, and harvesting.

Links:

The National Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order-USA: http://www.nafra-sfo.org/

Tau-USA- Newsletter:

http://www.nafra-sfo.org/tau-usa/tau_newarticles.html

Franciscan Action Network (FAN):

http://franciscanaction.org/

www.FranciscanEarthCorps.org

San Damiano retreats calendar:

http://sandamiano.org/retreats-programs/retreats-calendar

Blessed Junipero Serra Regional news:

http://www.juniperoserraregion.com/juni

