



IL POVERELLO FRATERNITY
SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

JOY FOR THE JOURNEY

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JUNE, 2014

DEUS MEUS ET OMNIA

Il Poverello Fraternity
Gatherings

June 28th
*Day of Reflection **

July 26th

August 23rd
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Il Poverello Fraternity presents
An Area 2 Secular Franciscan Gathering

Saturday June 28th, 2014 - 9:00-3:00

St. Philips the Apostle Catholic Church

**Day of Recollection*

"The Faith: It can be Taught, but It must be Caught;
A look at conversion through the Eyes of St. Francis of Assisi"

Talk given by: Father Bruce Lamb, OFM

(please see and distribute flyer)

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Minister's Letter

June 2014

Peace and all good to you!

Silence is the place to seek refuge, listen to God, learn peace and develop action. How much time do we devote to stillness and silence?

Luke 5:16

"He often retired to deserted places and prayed"

Being human, Jesus knew the distractions the world has to offer. The attractions of material goods, the desire for many pleasures, the seduction of "busyness" in work, the ongoing demands from family members and friends- all of these attempt to entice a human person away from the God center.

Jesus leads us to the essential, where we find the wellspring of God's abundant Spirit and life. In this Spirit, we can balance daily life, let go of ego, and recognize the Oneness of all creation.

Oneness is the place of healing.

Aware that We are One,

Kathleen

JOHN 7:37-39

On the last and greatest day of the feast, Jesus stood up and exclaimed, "Let anyone who thirsts come to me and drink.

As Scripture says:

Rivers of living water will flow from within him who believes in me."

He said this in reference to the Spirit that those who came to believe in him were to receive.

There was, of course, no Spirit yet, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

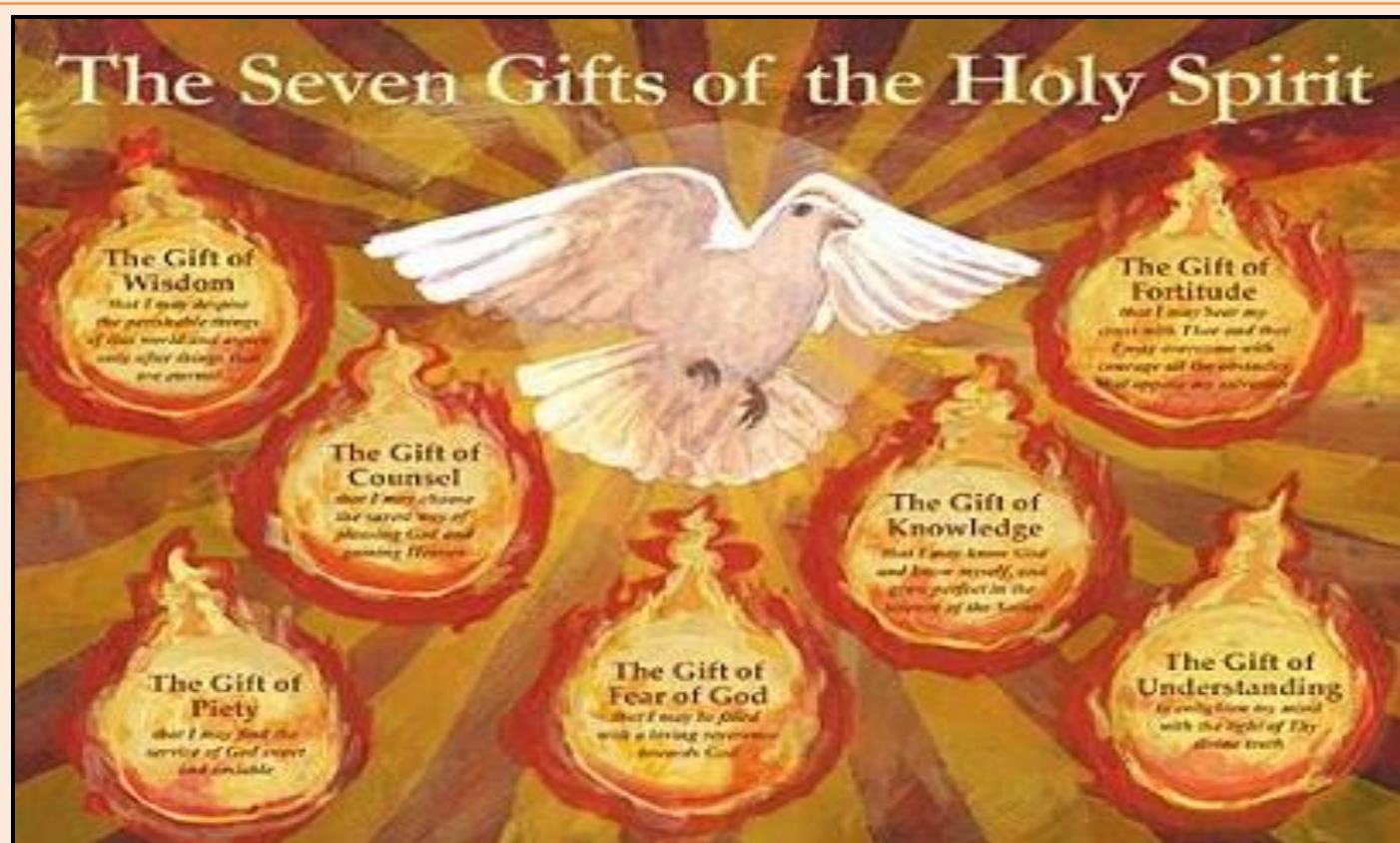
The Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order

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

- Rule 6 -

They have been made living members of the Church by being buried and raised with Christ in baptism; they have been united more intimately with the Church by profession. Therefore, they should go forth as witnesses and instruments of her mission among all people, proclaiming Christ by their life and words.

Called like Saint Francis to rebuild the Church and inspired by his example, let them devote themselves energetically to living in full communion with the pope, bishops, and priests, fostering an open and trusting dialogue of apostolic effectiveness and creativity.



St Anthony's Prayer to the Holy Spirit

*Holy Spirit, Fire of Love, come rest over each of us.
Make us ready to confess our sins,
that in revealing everything and concealing nothing,
we may attain heavenly life
to sing eternal praise with the angels.
With Your help, O Holy and Life-Giving Spirit,
You who live and reign through all ages. Amen.*

Pope Francis prayer intentions the month of June

General intention is: *"That the unemployed may receive support and find the work they need to live in dignity."*

Intention for evangelization is: *"That Europe may rediscover its Christian roots through the witness of believers."*

We especially ask prayers for

World peace and the refugees of all conflicts to be sheltered, healed, and comforted, and the safe return of children to their families;

Immigration reform and the unification of families divided by current policies; * *

All who are traveling to receive safe journeys;

Fraternities worldwide striving to live as St. Francis and St. Clare guides us through the Rule;

Il Poverello Family and friends for strength in their struggles: Pat McShane, John and Dorothy Kennedy, Alice & Mary Anne, Jim Chlebda, Tari Hogan (St. Francis fraternity in Reno who has been very ill with a staff infection), Br. Mateo, Todd, Julie, Tim, Mark, & Damien;

All the faithful departed.

Lord hear our prayers

Be always patient and well disposed.

If one of your brothers offends you in any way, offer to God the pain you experience. By this mark I shall know if you are the true servants of our Divine Master: if you bring back sweetly to God the brother who has wandered from Him, and if you still continue to love one who has rendered himself very guilty.

~ St Francis of Assisi

Dialogue is born from an attitude of respect for the other person, from a conviction that the other person has something good to say. It assumes that there is room in the heart for the person's point of view, opinion and proposal. To dialogue entails a cordial reception, not a prior condemnation. In order to dialogue, it is necessary to know how to lower the defenses, open the doors of the house, and offer human warmth.

~ Pope Francis

* * *"Peace begins within each of us.*

It is a process of repeatedly showing mercy to ourselves, forgiving ourselves, befriending ourselves, accepting ourselves, and loving ourselves. As we learn to appreciate ourselves and accept God's gift of peace, we begin to radiate peace and love to others."

~ Rev. John Dear

Web Links: <http://animatepeace.blog.com/> ; <http://www.nafra-sfo.org/> ; <http://www.nafra-sfo.org/tau-usa.html> ;
http://www.inthistogether.org/inthistogether_report.pdf ; <http://franciscanaction.org/>

Franciscan Saints in JUNE

- 2 St. Felix of Nicosia, religious, I Ord.
- 8 Bl. Nicholas of Gèsturi, religious, I Ord.
- 12 Bl. Florida Cevoli, virgin, I Ord.
Bl. Jolenta, religious, II Ord.
Bl. Antoninus Bajewski, priest, and companions, martyrs:
[Pius Bartosik, Innocent Guz, Achille Puchala, Herman Stepien, priests; Timothy Troianowski, Boniface Zukowski, religious], I Ord.
- 13 St. Anthony of Padua, priest, doctor, I Ord.
- 16 Bl. Guy (Guido) Vignotelli, priest, I Ord.
Bl. Anizet Koplín, priest, and companions, martyrs of Poland:
[Henry Krzystofik, Florian Stêpniak, Fidelis Chojnacki, Symforiam Ducki], I Ord.
- 17 St. Albert Chmielowski, religious, III Ord., founder
- 22 St. Thomas More, martyr, III Ord.
- 23 St. Joseph Cafasso, priest, III Ord.
- 25 Bl. Jutta of Thuringia, widow, III Ord.
- 26 Bl. Andrew Hyacinth Longhin, bishop, I Ord.
- 30 Bl. Raymond Lull, martyr, III Ord.

Birthdays and Professions

John Kennedy, OFS
6/21

Evelyn Stateler, OFS
6/27

An Invocation to the Holy Spirit

Come, true light.

Come, life eternal.

Come, hidden mystery.

Come, treasure without name.

Come, reality beyond all understanding.

Come, rejoicing without end.

Come, light that knows no evening.

Come, unfailing expectation of the saved.

Come, raising of the fallen.

Come, resurrection of the dead.

Come all-powerful, for unceasingly you create, refashion and change all things by your will alone.

Come, invisible whom none may touch and handle.

Come, for you continue always unmoved, yet at every instant you are wholly in movement; you draw near to us who lie in hell, yet you remain higher than the heavens.

Come, for your name fills our hearts with longing and is ever on our lips; yet who you are and what your nature is, we cannot say or know.

Come, Alone to the alone.

Come, for you are yourself the desire that is within me.

Come, my breath and my life.

Come, the consolation of my humble soul.

Come, my joy, my glory, my endless delight.

- Saint Symeon the New Theologian