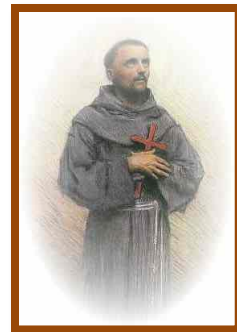


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San Luis Rey Fraternity of the
Secular Franciscan Order
Mission San Luis Rey, Oceanside, CA.



Changes in meeting plan for October due to 'The TRANSITUS'

**Saturday Oct. 3rd 6:15 pm Transitus in Old Mission
Church**

**Sunday Oct. 4th Profession of Laura Chun during 5:00PM parish Mass
in the Serra Center.**

Future Meetings:

November 1, 2015, December 6, 2015 January 2016

What is "The Transitus?" or St. Francis' passage from death to life.

St. Francis spent the last few days before his death in praising the Lord and teaching his companions whom he loved so much to praise Christ with him. He himself, in as far as he was able, broke out with the Psalm: *I cry to the Lord with my voice; to the Lord I make loud supplication.* He likewise invited all creatures to praise God and, with the words he had composed earlier, he exhorted them to love God. Even death itself, considered by all to be so terrible and hateful, was exhorted to give praise, while he himself, going joyfully to meet it, invited it to make its abode with him. "Welcome," he said, "my sister death." (Celano, Second Life.)



When the hour of his death approached, Francis asked that all of the brothers living with him be called to his death bed and softening his departure with consoling words, he encouraged them with fatherly affection to love God. He spoke of patience and poverty and of being faithful to the Holy Roman Church, giving precedence to the Holy Gospels before all else. He then stretched his hands over the brothers in the form of a cross, a symbol that he loved so much, and gave his blessings to all followers, both present and absent, in the power and in the name of the Crucified. Then he added: "Remain, my sons, in the fear of the Lord and be with him always. And as temptations and trials beset you, blessed are those who persevere to the end in the life they have chosen. I am on my way to God and I commend you all to His favor."

With this sweet admonition, this dearly beloved to God, asked that the book of the Gospels be brought to him and that the passage in the Gospel of St. John, which begins *before the Feast of the Passover* be read. Finally, when all God's mysteries had been accomplished in him, his holy soul was freed from his body and assumed into the abyss of God's glory, and Francis fell asleep in God. (Bonaventure, Major Life.) Found in the

"Omnibus of Sources" (p-536-) and "Francis the Saint" (p-277-)
<http://www.franciscanfriarstor.com/archive/stfrancis/Transitus/>

Note from our Vice-Minister

Our gathering in October will consist of:

1. Saturday the 3rd of October The Transitus will be in the **Old Mission Church** at 6:15pm on and
2. Sunday the 4th of October for Laura Chun's Profession during the Sunday Evening Parish Mass in the **Serra Center** on the Mission's Campus

All other events normally associated with our monthly gatherings: Liturgy of the Hours, Communal



Formation Reminders from Sandy, Formation Director

Classes are held the Saturday before the meeting. Please contact Sandy for more information
God Bless,
Sandy B., OFS
Director of Formation



Today's Gospel is Mark 10:2-16

The Pharisees approached Jesus and asked,
"Is it lawful for a husband to divorce his wife?"
They were testing him.
He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?"
They replied,
"Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her."
But Jesus told them,
"Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate."
In the house the disciples again questioned Jesus about this. He said to them,
"Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

And people were bringing children to him that he might touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this he became indignant and said to them,
"Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.
Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it."
Then he embraced them and blessed them, placing his hands on them.
NAB from USCCB website

Anniversaries of Profession



Is the only thing that happens in October is birth into “Eternal Life,” as we have nobody to honor this month for professions, or did ‘Casper’ the friendly ghost, get our listings for October, and delete them?

Memorials



October 3, 2014 Dorothy K. J. (can't believe it has been a year)
October 4, 1991 Virginia Ward T.
October 5, 1995 Richard B.
October 9, 2003 Margaret N.
October 13, 2005 Michelle S.
October 27, 1995 Mary J.

Birthdays



I don't have any records of any October Birthdays, so if you were born in the month of October, please let me know so you can be honored with a “post” here next year and thereafter.

Let us Pray for our brothers and sisters, especially:



- Denise S., for a return to good health.
- Marjo G. that the Lord will guide her doctors during her heart surgery in late September. Also that she has a fast recovery.
- David and Juliet Y.'s families.
- Carol and her hubby Joseph for a safe trip to and back from Utah.
- The St. Francis Region council, that they will reflect for us what it means to be a family in the Franciscan spirit.
- For Pope Francis, Bishop Robert McElroy, for our pastors, priests, deacons and consecrated religious, including those in secular orders and institutes.
- For the women and children all over the world who are being coerced into abusive situations, and who are the victims of war in the Middle East and Africa.
- All others who want/need prayers but were too shy to ask.
- All of our Fraternity members, especially: our council members, our brothers and sisters who are in formation and our elderly and homebound who aren't able come to our fraternity gatherings.
- Members of all three Orders of the Franciscan Family who need our prayers.

New, or missing requests, contact Carol.

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Saint Francis of Assisi -
 Praise be to you, my Lord, with all your creatures,
 Especially Sir Brother Sun,
 who is the day and through whom you give us light
 And he is beautiful and radiant with great splendor
 Praised be you, my Lord, through sister moon and the stars,
 in heaven you formed them clear and precious and beautiful
 Praised be you, my Lord, through brother wind,
 and through the air, cloudy and every kind of weather
 through whom you give sustenance to your creatures
 and every kind of serene
 Praise be to you my Lord, through Sister Water,
 who is useful and humble and precious and chaste
 my Lord, through brother Fire,
 you light the night.



Sr. Madeline Sr. Anne

The 6 chapters of Laudato Si
 ... on care of our common home - by Pope Francis -

1. What is happening to our Common Home - (a sad history!)
2. The Gospel of Creation
3. The Human Roots of the Ecological Crisis
4. Integral Ecology
 ... social - cultural - the common good...
5. Lines of approach and action
 What can we do?
6. Ecological Education and Spirituality
 ... Conversion - the covenant between Humanity
 Joy + Peace, Sacramental signs, The Trinity and Relations

I See His Blood Upon the Rose
 By Joseph Mary Plunkett

I see his blood upon the rose
 And in the stars the glory of his eyes,
 His body gleams amid eternal snows,
 His tears fall from the skies.

I see his face in every flower;
 The thunder and the singing of the birds
 Are but his voice - and carved by his power
 Rocks are his written words.

All pathways by his feet are worn,
 His strong heart stirs the ever-beating sea,
 His crown of thorns is twined in every thorn,
 His cross is every tree.

Born in Dublin 1887 - Executed Easter 1916



Oh, last but definitely not least, remember your donation envelope for the Common Fund. The box will be waiting for you.

Or mail to: Edward.

**When you want to publish something in our newsletter, please have it in to the Editor, a minimum of TWO (2) weeks before the upcoming Gathering.
Thank You**