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San Luis Rey Fraternity of the
Secular Franciscan Order
Mission San Luis Rey, Oceanside, CA.
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Our Next Gathering 6 November 2018

Future Dates

December 2, 2018, January 6, 2019, February 3, 2019, March 3, 2019
regular monthly gatherings, dates subject to change.

*** Pastoral Visit ***

Our Pastoral Visit will be at our Nov 3 2018 gathering with
the Regional Spiritual Assistant Sylvia P.

Visitation Schedule:

10:00am - Mass in Serra Center with fellow Fraternity Members
10:00am-Noon - Council meeting w/Sylvia
11:15am – Morning Prayer in the St. Clare Chapel
Noon-1:00 – Fraternity lunch w/Sylvia in O’Keefe Lounge.
1:00-3:00 - Fraternity general gathering with Sylvia
3:00-3:30 Council Meeting



The Pastoral Visit: “A Privileged Moment of Communion”



Dear brothers and sisters,

This month we have the opportunity to experience a life-giving aspect of our shared vocation – the pastoral visit. Sylvia Paoli, OFS, our Regional Spiritual Assistant, will join us for our entire day together on November 4.

Our canonically established fraternity is a kind of “person” in the eyes of the Church. And a visit to check on our spiritual health is good for our fraternal personhood!

A Spiritual Assistant can be a member of the First Order/TOR, of the Second Order (Poor Clares), or of one of the Orders of sisters who follow the TOR rule, or a trained Secular Franciscan, or a diocesan or other priest or deacon. Our Regional Spiritual Assistants are assigned by the Provincial of the St. Barbara Province, Fr. David Gaa, OFM, or his delegate.

Before November, I urge you to read carefully the passages below. They are from Article 95 of our Order’s General Constitutions, and describe the meaning of a pastoral visit.

1. The pastoral visit is ***a privileged moment of communion*** with the First Order and the TOR. It is carried out also in the name of the Church and serves to guarantee and promote the observance of the Rule and the Constitutions and fidelity to the Franciscan charism. ...
2. Having verified the canonical establishment of the fraternity, the visitor will give attention to the relations between the fraternity and its spiritual assistant and the local Church. ...
3. The visitor will promote collaboration and a sense of co-responsibility among the secular leaders and the religious assistants. The visitor is to examine the quality of the spiritual assistance given to the visited fraternity, encourage the spiritual assistants in their service and promote their continuing spiritual and pastoral formation.
4. The visitor will give special attention to programs, methods and experiences of formation, to the liturgical and prayer life, and to the apostolic activities of the fraternity.

If you have any questions at all, or would like to talk about the visit, please do not hesitate to contact me.

May the Lord give you peace!
Donna


Transitus



Donna (left) joining in the procession representing our Secular Franciscan fraternity at the OMSLR Transitus celebration.

A Franciscan friar's habit (right) is lovingly laid out to represent St. Francis as he passed from Earth to Heaven.





God of Mercy,

You bestow upon every person a dignity that cannot be extinguished, no matter the harm someone has suffered or caused.

Rooted in this sacred value of all life, we work together to transform the criminal justice system by ending the death penalty. Enliven our commitment to “work with determination for its abolition worldwide.”

Ignite in our imaginations more restorative approaches to harm and violence that embody Your vision of right relationship. For any person who is a victim of, responsible for, or witness to crime, may we be vessels of Your hope, healing, and redemption.

Embolden in us the fire to foster a culture of life. Sustain our pursuit of reconciling justice, that we may model your compassion and mercy with our lives.

In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

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The San Damiano crucifix (above) is from Sr Madeline’s Chapel. The candles are in memory of Dorothy Johnson OFS, and Edna Knox TOSF, both deceased members of the San Luis Rey Fraternity

Pope Francis invites us to 'Share the Journey'

November 10th at 9am starting at the Mission San Luis Rey Parish Serra Center



Pope Francis launched the 'Share the Journey' campaign to transform the culture of indifference that exists about the 65 million migrants and refugees fleeing violence, extreme poverty, and injustice - *to a culture of encounter*.

Fr. Vince Mesi, OFM, pastor of Mission San Luis Rey Parish, Bishop Dolan of the Diocese of San Diego, along with the USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops), CRS (Catholic Relief Services), CCUSA (Catholic Charities USA), and Caritas Internationalis invites us to Share the Journey.

Our event for the Diocese of San Diego will be:

- **What:** A gathering with inspirational talks, including by Bishop Dolan, an Eucharistic procession/pilgrimage on the Mission grounds, and a concluding prayer & refecton in front of the historic Old Mission San Luis Rey.
- **Where:** Starting at Mission San Luis Rey Parish Serra Center located at 4070 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, CA 92057 - just east of the historic Old Mission.
- **When:** Saturday, 11/10/18 from 9am-Noon. Coffee & Refreshments provided.

Why: To answer the Pope's call to walk with our brothers and sisters who are migrants and refugees in solidarity and love - *to Share the Journey*



Share the
Journey #
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Holy Gospel for 31st Sunday in Ordinary time

Gospel *MK 12:28B-34*

One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him, "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "The first is this: *Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.* The second is this: *You shall love your neighbor as yourself.* There is no other commandment greater than these."

The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.' And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices." And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Commentary from St. Joseph's Sunday Missal © 2011

The scribe states" [Love for God and neighbor] is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices." This is a Jewish hyperbolic (exaggerated) saying for: "Sacrifices that are routine and void forms have no value." Isaiah makes the same kind of strong statement (Is 1:13). The meaning is that formalism and void symbols in religion are worthless. The conclusion, however, is not: "Stop praying and worshiping!" Rather the clear lesson is: "Love God in your neighbor and show him/her your love directly in meaningful prayer and worship!" Do both and your love will be lasting.

Reflection from our Editor: Do we think of this "Golden Rule" before we open our mouths, even in political matters. All persons, even those with opposing views are to be loved, as we love ourselves.



Francis demonstrates love for his neighbor by giving his cloak to a poor man.

Image is a detail from a fresco by Giotto in the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi.

Smiles... and Prayer



... And here are some Tertiaries that are happy to be with us at our Monthly Gatherings



PRAYER:
All Highest Glorious God
Cast your light into the darkness of my soul.
Give me -
 Right Faith
 Firm Hope
 Perfect Charity and
 Profound Humility
So that I may clearly know and do
Your Holy Will. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR REMEMBERING

In the rising of the sun and in its going down,
We remember him.

In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of
winter,
We remember him.

In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring,
We remember him.

In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of
summer,
We remember him.

In the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of
autumn,
We remember him.

In the beginning of the year and when it ends
We remember him.

*As long as we live, _____ too will live,
For he is now a part of us as we remember him.*

When we are weary and in need of strength,
We remember him.

When we are lost and sick at heart,
We remember him.

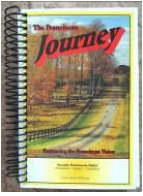
When we have joy we crave to share,
We remember him.

*As long as we live, _____ too will live,
For he is now a part of us as we remember him.
Amen.*



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Formation Reminders from our Formation Director



Classes are held the Saturday before the meeting,
Please call Sandy for more information
God Bless,
Sandy Baden, OFS
Director of Formation

Memorials

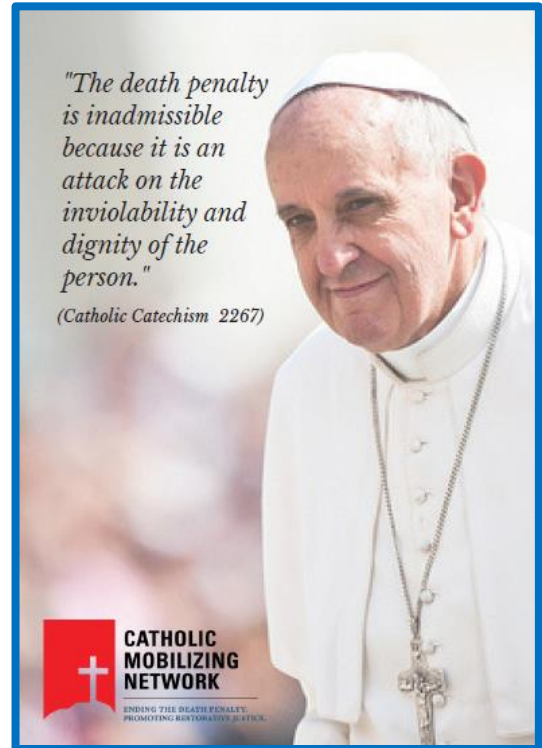


Rose Rita Langen, OFS - 11/06/2006
Rosemary O'Hagan, OFS - 11/09/2000
Catherine Wagner, OFS - 11/04/1998
Sandra Stevens, OFS - *date unknown*

Birthdays



November 2, Karen W
November 9, Connie H
November 15, Carol I
November 25, Samuel D



Let us Pray for our brothers and sisters, especially:

- ❖ For the safety of Donna our Minister in all her journeys and endeavors.
- ❖ For Pope Francis, Bishop Robert McElroy, and all Bishops.
- ❖ For our pastors, priests, deacons and consecrated religious, and lay orders.
- ❖ For the victims of war and terrorism throughout the world.
- ❖ For all of our brothers and sisters served by our fraternity's home outreach.
- ❖ For our Fraternity members, our council, in formation, and homebound.
- ❖ Members of all three Orders of the Franciscan Family who need our prayer.

Franciscan Saints for November

November – Month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory

1. Feast of All Saints – Holy day of Obligation
2. Commemoration of all of the Faithfully Departed – Plenary Indulgence for the holy souls when one visits a church or chapel and prays a Pater and a Credo
3. Bl. Helen Enselmini, Virgin, the Franciscan 2nd-Order; a "Poor Clare" sister, d. 1231
4. St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop, Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1584
5. Feast of the Saints Relics
6. Bl. Margaret of Lorraine, Virgin, the Franciscan 2nd-Order; a "Poor Clare" sister, d. 1521
7. Bl. Raynier of Arezzo, lay brother, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1304
8. Bl. John Duns Scotus, Priest, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1308
9. Bl. Gabriel Ferritti, Priest, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1456
10. Bl. Louis Guanella, Priest, Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1915
11. Bl. Mary Crucifixa, Virgin, the Franciscan 3rd-Order; a "Poor Clare" sister, d. 1826
12. Bl. John of Peace, Confessor, religious of the Third-Order Regular [living in community, under a Rule], d. 1340
13. St. Didacus of Alcalá, lay brother, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1463
14. St. Nicholas Tavelich and Companions, Martyrs, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1391
15. Bl. Sebastien de Jesus, lay brother, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1734
16. St. Agnes of Assisi, Virgin, the Franciscan 2nd-Order; a "Poor Clare" sister, d. 1253
17. Bl. Jane of Signa, Virgin, Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1307
18. Bl. Salome of Cracow, Virgin, the Franciscan 2nd-Order; a "Poor Clare" sister, d. 1268
19. St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Virgin Patroness of Franciscan Third Order Secular, Plenary Indulgence (renewal of Tertiary engagement), d. 1231
20. Bl. Migagros Ortells, Virgin, Capuchin religious, Martyr 1936
21. Feast of the Presentation of the Holy Virgin Mary
22. Bl. Salvator Lilli, Priest, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, martyr 1895
23. Bl. Marie de Jesus Bon Pasteur, Virgin, religious of the Third-Order Regular [living in community, under a Rule], d. 1902
24. Bl. Timothy Trajonowski, lay brother, Conventual religious, martyr 1942
25. Bl. Humilis of Bisignano, lay brother, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1637
26. St. Leonard of Port Maurice, Priest, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1751
27. St. Francis Anthony Fasani, Priest, Conventual religious, d. 1742
28. St. James of the March, Priest, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1476
29. Saints of the Seraphic Order
30. Bl. Anthony Bonfadini, Priest, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1482

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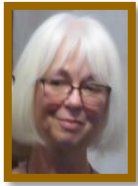
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Last but definitely not least, remember your donation envelope for the Common Fund. The box will be waiting for you.

Or mail to: Eileen Costa

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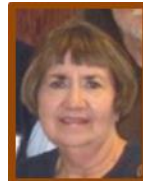
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