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San Luis Rey Fraternity of the
Secular Franciscan Order
Mission San Luis Rey,
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Next Meeting Sept. 8, 2019

Mass in the Serra Center at 10:00 AM
Community Prayer in the St. Clare Chapel after Mass
Lunch in the O'Keefe Lounge from 12:00 - 1250PM
General Gathering 1:00 - 2:50 PM
Council Meeting follows at appx 3:15PM

Future Meetings:
Oct. 6, 2019, Nov. 6, 2019, Dec. 1, 2019, Jan. 5, 2020. Feb. 2, 2020,
These are regular monthly gatherings, All dates subject to change

New faces, New Council!!!

Minister's Note



Joe Cuncelor, Connie Secretary, Sandy V-Minister, Kelly Cuncelor, Louis Treasurer, Karron Formation, and, Laura Minister

Minister's Note, September 2019

As we gratefully acknowledge the Council that has served so beautifully the last three years, we welcome the new Council chosen by the Fraternity at our August gathering: Joe Cannon (Councilor), Kelly Farnum (Councilor), Luis Guzman (Treasurer), Connie Collins (Secretary), Karron Esmonde (Director of Formation), Sandy Baden (Vice-Minister), and Laura Chun (Minister), and of course, Sr. Madeline as our beloved Spiritual Assistant. We humbly ask for your prayers, support, and wisdom! Many thanks to the entire San Luis Rey Fraternity for the great trust you have placed in us!

Franciscan leadership has always been a model of Servant-Leadership from the time of our founders, St. Francis and St. Clare. In August as a Fraternity, we were necessarily focused on elections yet there was a significant event that also calls for our loving attention – the Feast Day of St. Clare on August 11th. At our September gathering (remember, our meeting date has changed to **Sunday, September 8th**), we will take some time to focus on the prayer and contemplation in the spirit of St. Clare of Assisi.

As we look forward to our gathering on Sunday, September 8th, I share with you the blessing of St. Clare:

*Our Lord bless you and keep you.
May He show His face to you
and have mercy on you.
May He turn His countenance to you
and give you peace.
Our Lord be with you at all times
and grant that you be in Him always!
Amen*

May God grant you Peace!
Laura, OFS
Minister

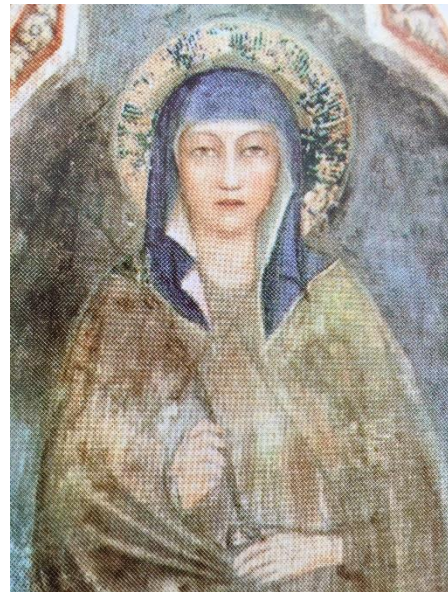
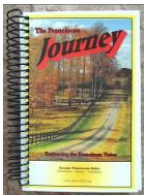


Image of St. Clare is a detail from a fresco inside the Basilica of St. Clare in Assisi.

Formation reminders from Karron, our Formation Director



Classes are generally held the Saturday before the meeting. Please call Karron at for more information

God Bless,
Karron Esmonde, OFS
Director of Formation

Anniversaries of Profession



Jul. 7, 2013 Dorothea Hoskins
Jul. 11, 2004 Irene Edwards
Jul. 13, 2014 Haynes Mary
Jul. 21, 1996 Denise Scalzo
Jul. 10, 2016 Brinda Dunkelman
Jul. 10, 2016 Karen Wilson
Jul. 10, 2016 Luis Guzman

Memorials



July 1, 2013 Dcn. Dustin Miller
July 19, 2017 Anna Day
July 21, 1995 Roberta Reynolds Steiner
July 23, 1990 George Wagner

Birthdays



3 Frances
22 Dorothy

NOTE

This page is our Reminder's Page, the names and dates come from a list that either the Cord editor, or Fraternity Secretary maintains. The CORD Editor should have a copy of this document so that he/she can keep the eMail list up to date.

Let us Pray for our brothers and sisters, especially:



- For the safety of Laura our Minister in her journeys during this busy time of year.
- For Pope Francis, Bishop Robert McElroy, and all Diocesan Bishops for all of our pastors, priests, deacons and consecrated religious, including those in lay orders and institutes.
- For the victims of war and terrorism throughout the world.
- For all of our brothers and sisters served by our fraternity's outreach program.
- All of our Fraternity members, especially: our council, our brothers and sisters who are in formation, our elderly and or homebound who aren't able come to our fraternity gatherings.
- Members of all three Orders of the Franciscan Family who need our prayers.

This is St. Francis commentary on **“The Holy Eucharist.”** Hilarin Felder OFM Cap. Quote from, **“The Ideals of St. Francis,”** Francis and the Eucharist. pages 45-6.

At the head of his “Words of Hold Admonition: we find a catechetical instruction bearing the title: “Of the Lord’s Body.” In spite of its utter simplicity this instruction is an excellent dogmatic treatise and practical exposition of the Saint’s conception of the Eucharist. He writes: “The Lord Jesus said to His disciples: ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No man cometh to the father but by Me. If you had known Me you would without doubt, have known My Father also, and from henceforth you shall know Him, and you have seen Him.’ Philip saith to Him: ‘Lord show us the Gather, and it is enough for us.’ Jesus saith to him: ‘Have I been so long a time with you and have you not known Me? Philip, he that seeth Me, seeth the Father also.’ The Father ‘inhabiteth light inaccessible,’ and ‘God is a spirit,’ and ‘no man has seen God at any time.’ Because God is a spirit, therefore, it is only by the spirit He can be seen, for ‘it is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing.’ For neither is the Son, inasmuch as He is equal



to the Father, seen by anyone other than by the Father, other than by the Holy Ghost. Wherefore all those who saw the Lord Jesus Christ according to humanity and did not see and believe according to the Spirit and the Divinity, that He was the Son of God, were condemned.

“In like manner, all those who behold the sacrament of the body of Christ, which is sanctified by the word of the Lord upon the altar by the hands of the priest in the form of bread and wine, and who do not

see and believe according to the spirit and Divinity that is really the most holy body and blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ, are condemned, He the Most High having declared it when He said: ‘This is My body and blood of the New Testament,’ and: ‘He that eateth My flesh and drinketh My blood hath everlasting life.’ Wherefore, he who has the Spirit of the Lord dwells in His faithful, he it is who receives the most holy body and blood of the Lord; all others who do not have this same Spirit and who presume to receive Him, ‘eat and drink judgement to themselves.’



Wherefore, ‘O ye sons of men, how long will you be dull of heart?’ Why will you not know the truth and ‘believe in the Son of God:’ Behold, daily He humbles Himself as when from His ‘royal throne’ He came into the womb of the Virgin; daily He Himself comes to us with like humility; daily He descends from the bosom of His Father upon the altar, in the hands of the priest. And as He appeared in true flesh to the holy apostles, so new He shows Himself to us in the sacred bread; and as they by means of their fleshly eyes saw only His flesh, yet contemplating Him with their spiritual eyes believed Him to be God, we seeing bread and wine with bodily eyes see and firmly believe it to be His most holy body and true and living blood. And in this way Our lord is ever with His faithful, as He Himself says: ‘Behold I am with you all days, even to the consummation of the world.’ “



Who will fail to notice that in this instruction Francis makes the Eucharist the center and heart of Christianity? As the apostles beheld the divinity of Jesus through the veil of His humanity, thus also we to-day behold and believe the Son of God present under the eucharistic veil. As Jesus Christ lived with His apostles as an historical Person, thus truly and really does He live among us now in the eucharistic Presence. As salvation and damnation hinged on the belief in Him and the love to Him then, so also will our soul's salvation

hinge on our belief in and our love to the eucharistic God-Man. Whoever lives with and for and out of the Eucharist, he lives with and for and out of Jesus Christ even to-day as really and truly as at the time of the apostles. "Jesus Christ, yesterday, and to-day and the same forever." Yesterday with the apostles in the fields of Galilee and Judea; to-day with us in all the tabernacles of the world; and forever with all the saints in the splendor and glory of heaven's bliss. That is the eucharistic message of St. Francis to the Christian people.



The following is just a few of our awesome 'Franciscan Brothers' who especially loved Jesus in 'The Most Blessed Sacrament.'

John Parenti, the successor of St. Francis as Minister General, ordained at the Chapter of 1230 that "the Most Holy Sacrament be preserved in all places in ivory or silvr ciboria and that these be placed in well-locked tabernacles, because neither in heaven nor on earth can anything be found which deserves similar veneration."

Anthony of Padua was the wonder-worker, Berthold of Ratisbon the preacher of the Eucharist. Alexander of Hales, Bonaventure and Duns Scotus, the luminaries of Franciscan science, became the theologians of the Eucharist. Paschal of Baylon is the patrol of the eucharistic works and societies. Joseph Plantanida of Ferno was the author of the Forty Hours' Adoration, the entire Franciscan Order, the defender and promoter of the feast of Corpus Christi and of the eucharistic devotions.

That is the true Franciscan heritage, the true Franciscan spirit. As surely as Francis and his sons are called to the knighthood of Christ, so surely are they called to the cult and the apostolate of the Eucharist.

In short, St. Francis was devoted to The Blessed Sacrament, loved the priests of God due to their ability to consecrate the Eucharist, and as a result insisted that all churches, Altar linens and sacred vessels be given proper care, and especially that the Eucharist be reserved in a "proper and decent place." God bless you St. Francis!!!

Capitalization, punctuation and spelling are as in the original quotation from the above book.

The Ideals of St. Francis of Assisi, by Hilarin Felder, O.F.M. Cap. © 1925 by the Benziger Brothers, and reprinted by Franciscan Herald Press in 1982 on the 800th anniversary of St. Francis' death. ISBN: 19908452.

District Picnic, 10 AUG 2019



Here we find pictures from our District Picnic that was held at Santee Lakes in Santee CA.

Top, everyone from the 5 fraternities in our district. Use your computer's or phone's abilities to enlarge, and see if you can find any you know, yes the editor is in there somewhere, she didn't get to hide behind her camera.

Lower left, members of our Fraternity, and lower right, everybody lining up to grab some of the awesome international culinary delights. We had an awesome time, and can't wait till next year, to have more camaraderie, fun and dining pleasure...



Oh, last but definitely not least, please remember your donation envelope for the Common Fund. The box will be waiting for you – or mail to Luis A. Guzman, OFS

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