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

Next Gathering
April 12, 2015

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 12:00-12:50 PM

General Meeting in the Luiseño Room from 1:00-3:00 PM

Council Meeting will follow at 3:00 PM



Celebrations of Professions and Jubilee in March



Dorothy M. (beige jacket) and Michael P. (dark suit with blue tie), "We ask to be admitted to profession...to observe the Holy Gospel...by following...St. Francis..." That was accepted by Dave Y. (blue sweater) our minister in behalf of our entire fraternity and Holy Mother

Church by Fr. Franklin during the celebration of Mass in the Old Mission San Luis Rey Church.





Gathered Secular Franciscans and guests in the OMSLR Church, for the celebration of Mass and the Professions of, Dorothy M., Michael P. as well as the 50th Jubilee of profession by Carol I

Comments from Carol as she celebrates her 50th Jubilee

Many asked me this question, “How do you achieve so many years, just how did you do



it?” I responded, by taking it one day at a time, similar to how a ‘scout master’ would instruct his young Boy Scouts, “By taking it one step, puts one foot forward, at a time. I didn’t really think about it as the years rolled along: Received into TOSF as a Novice (candidate), Jan. 12, 1964. Over the years we went from TOSF to SFO, and now to OFS. They all mean the same thing, following in the footsteps of St. Francis as lay people living in the world, but hopefully not of the world.

Professed Feb. 14, 1965, you know that is so many ‘profession’ renewals that I should have had the text memorized, but like many prayers, especially prayers recited at Mass, I am involved

in thinking about what I’m saying/praying that I follow on a worship aid as to not get too far behind the rest of the congregation.



To you that are just beginning, it seems like a long time, but when it is something that you love you will be celebrating a jubilee before you know it. Just think, in those 50 years, wow that is a lot of years of which only 14 were spent without St. Francis as my guide. I raised my children who now have their own homes and family’s. I have 5 grandchildren, and don’t believe any are in the ‘oven,’ but you never know when God will allow a young couple to procreate another beautiful life. Joe, my



husband, and I celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary just last June 29th with Mass at St. Patrick’s Church in Carlsbad, my mom, Dorothy J. (my mother now deceased) was in attendance.

The US Army took me around the world, but I never made it to the ‘Holy Land,’ though I wanted to go there and see



the land where Jesus walked, taught and suffered and died to redeem mankind.

As you can see, I have kept up and kept busy, and thus the years just roll by without even thinking about it. As Fr. insinuated in his homily. Just follow the laws of God, and live by our Holy Rule, and you will have a happy life. In all humility, it is time for me to shut-up.

Thank you Fr. for the
Thank you Donna!
Special blessing.
And Fr. Frank.



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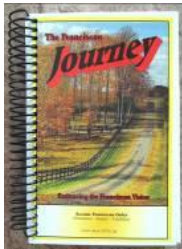
all these Thy gifts...



Now I can't fail to thank Anthony Tuan C., OFS, the little gent. in the middle, who took these pics as my camera wasn't working correctly, for these beautiful pictures.

Again, thank you Tuan!

Formation Reminders from Sandy B., our Formation Director



Classes are held the Saturday before the meeting, Please call Sandy for more information

God Bless,

Sandy, OFS
Director of Formation

Anniversaries of Profession



12-10-2006	Penny J. (7 years)
12-10-2006	Freeda P. (7 years)

Memorials



December 4, 2002	Mary P.
December 29, 1998	Ryan M.
	Mae C.

Birthdays



This month, we will think of the most important 'Birthday' Feast on the Church calendar, that of the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ as we celebrate Christmas on Dec. 25, as we have no known member birthdays this month.

Just a little request: could everyone, that is a member of SLR Fraternity, please take a little slip of paper and put the following on it and give to Carol our editor, when you see her next.

1. Full name as you would like to see it in the Cord for Birthday or other announcements.
2. Date of profession
3. Birthday, month and day
4. Street and Mailing addresses
5. Email address, if you have one.
6. Telephone(s) number(s) for OFS business.

These items would help me to update my list, so that when it is your day to be remembered I'll know the Info. Thank you Carol OFS

Let us Pray for our brothers and sisters, especially:



- Our brothers and sisters who are in formation.
- All of our Fraternity members, especially the elderly and homebound who can't come to our fraternity gatherings.
- Members of all the Orders of the Franciscan Family that need our prayers, whether they have asked or not.
- Denise Scalzo, recovering from surgery.
- David and Juliet Y.'s families.
- Carol I.'s daughter, Frances, for a fast recovery from her second knee surgery. Surgery was success, ty for your prayers to guide the surgeon's hands.
- The new St. Francis Region council that they will reflect for us what it means to be a family in the Franciscan spirit.

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Future Meeting Dates:

April 12th, the second Sunday of April, because Easter is on the first Sunday;
May 3rd, back to the first Sunday of the month;
June 7th;
July 12th (tentative, because of the 4th of July weekend);
August 2nd, Pastoral Visitation with Rock DeSpain, OFS, Regional Spiritual Assistant.



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 U.