



# The Franciscan Sun- Herald

St. John the Beloved Apostle  
Order of Secular Franciscan Fraternity  
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**Meeting Place:**  
Basilica of St. Mary, Catholic  
Church & Lyceum  
313 Duke Street  
Alexandria, VA  
**Meeting:**  
June 9, 2018 at Cathedral of  
St Thomas More 10 a.m.  
(see page 2 for details)



## Rule 20

*The Secular Franciscan Order is divided into fraternities of various levels - local, regional, national, and international. Each one has its own moral personality in the Church. These various fraternities are coordinated and united according to the norm of this rule and of the constitutions.*

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## Minister's Corner

I hope all of you had a wonderful fourth. Donna and I celebrated our wedding anniversary during a much-needed vacation to Virginia Beach where we spent time with family. I regret that I couldn't attend the Chapter of Mats, but I am grateful that many of our members represented our fraternity there. I look forward to hearing all about it at this month's meeting.  
Pax et Bonum, Steve

## A Prayer submitted by Tom White, OFS

Since this is the month of the Precious Blood of Jesus, I thought this prayer appropriate:

## Prayer to the Precious Blood of Jesus by Saint Catherine of Siena:

**Precious Blood, Ocean of Divine Mercy:  
Flow upon us!**

**Precious Blood, Most pure Offering:  
Procure us every Grace!**

**Precious Blood, Hope and Refuge of  
sinners:  
Atone for us!**

**Precious Blood, Delight of holy souls:  
Draw us!  
Amen.**

# Fraternity Focus

## This Month's Meeting

This month's Meeting will return to the Basilica of St. Mary, Catholic Church & Lyceum, 313 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA

The following is the agenda for our meeting at St Mary Basilica on July 14, 2018:

- 8:30 Daily Mass
- 9:00 Fraternity Social
- 10:00 Opening Prayer,  
Liturgy of the Hours/Divine Office
- 10:30 Business meeting
- 11:00 Ongoing Formation –  
Compassion Book – Chapters 2 and 3
- 11:30 Franciscan Crown Rosary and Closing Prayer
- 12:00 Council meeting

Please be sure to bring one or two non-perishable food items for sharing with members. Also, if possible for you, please consider bringing an item to share for the lunch to increase our sense of community.

## Events

A few of our fraternity members had fun at the Chapter of Mats held at Priest Field, PA this last weekend, and a good time was had by all. Here are a couple photos from the event.



Chapter of Mats From L-R, Jeannie, Karen, Pat, and Ann



Chapter of Mats - L-R: Rita and Pat

## Calendar for Christ House in 2018

Remaining dates for Christ House this year will be **August 18**, October 20 and November 17. For further details, please see Sadie Martins or Marcia Campbell. If you have never tried it, please do so. It is a wonderful way to fulfill the needs of those less fortunate.

# **Bulletin Board**

## **Our Family:**

Recalling the words of St. Francis regarding the sick:

*I beg all my sick brothers that they do not become angry in their infirmities or disturbed either against God or against their brothers....*

*Let them give thanks in all things so that they may desire to be as God wants them to be.*

## **And Let Us Pray:**

### **For the Healing of:**

Mary Ann Friesen, Karen Riedl, Lorraine Lee, John Dina & his family, especially Meredith, Catherine Williams, daughter Amy, Wayne, Cathy William's Son-In-Law, Pat McGrath's sister, Mary Wagner, Pat's husband, John Schupp, Wilma Connair, Karen's Mother-in-law, Stephen Connair, Karen's husband, Michael, Laura, Kim & Michelle Feldman, Rita's niece Sarah Lewis and husband Ben, Steve's son Francis, grandson Dom, cousin Marge and for all our families and friends who need God's healing that God will have mercy on all the sick and injured, especially those who are dying.

### **For the Repose of the Souls who have preceded us into eternal life:**

Lorre Bracey – Marcia's daughter, David Robertson – Joanne's son, Cathy Williams Mother, George Webb, Geneva's Father, Alfie Evans and for all the Souls in Purgatory who have no one to pray for them.

### **Special Intentions:**

For our Holy Father and all the leaders of the Church that they may faithfully adhere to Christ's teachings.

For religious vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, for vocations to sanctity of marriage between one man and one woman, and for religious freedom.

For sanctity of all our priests, religious, and lay people and for those being persecuted throughout the world for their faith.

For our veterans, military and first responders. For John S. and all those struggling with addictions.

For the conversion of the socialized medicine in England to allow parents to have a say in the health treatment of their terminally ill children.

For all the people of Ireland, that the Lord may guide their conscience to vote for prolife legislation in the wake of the terrible repeal of the Constitutional ban on abortion.

For an end to abortion, euthanasia, and assisted suicide in this country and throughout the world.

For our world leaders, that the Holy Spirit guide them to make good decisions for their people especially North Korea.

For peace in the world, peace in our families, peace in our hearts.

For our Fraternity members and their families and for all our intentions held close to our hearts.

## **Our Fraternity:**

### **Profession Anniversaries and Birthdays:**

There are no profession anniversaries or birthdays in the month of July, but please remember all of our Brothers and Sisters.

**In Memoriam:** May the souls of our dear sisters and brothers,

Marguerite O'Brien - July 11, 1997; Laura Christian - July 12, 1977; and Mary Claire Gerlach - July 17, 2006. Rest in God's Peace.

## **Franciscan Saints, Blesseds & Holy Ones (for all 3 branches of the Order)**

July – Month of the Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ

1. Feast of the Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ
2. Feast of the Visitation of Our Lady
3. Bl. Marie Anne Fontcuberta, Virgin, religious of the Third-Order Regular [living in community, under a Rule], d. 1886
4. 40 Martyrs of China, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order and Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1900
5. Bl. Ignace Falzon, Confessor, Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1865
6. St. Maria Goretti, Virgin Martyr, Codbearer, d. 1902
7. Bl. Oddino Barrotti, Priest, Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1400
8. St. Elizabeth of Portugal, Virgin, Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1336
9. St. Veronica Giuliani, Virgin, Capuchin religious, d. 1727
10. 8 Martyrs religious of the Franciscan 1st Order of Damas, d. 1860
11. 11 Martyrs religious of the Franciscan 1st Order of Holland, d. 1572
12. Sts. Geoffrey and Joachim, Priests, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, martyrs 1679
13. St. Francis Solano, Priest, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1610
14. St. Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church, religious of the Franciscan 1st Order, d. 1274
15. Bl. Bernard of Baden, Confessor, Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1458

16. Our Lady of Mount Carmel; St. Marie-Madeleine Postel, Virgin, religious of the Third-Order Regular [living in community, under a Rule], d. 1846
17. Bl. Pierre De Foligno, Confessor, Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1614
18. St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest, had been a tertiary before founding or joining another religious Institute, d. 1614
19. St. Vincent de Paul, Priest, had been a tertiary before founding or joining another religious Institute, d. 1660
20. St. Jerome Emilien, Priest, had been a tertiary before founding or joining another religious Institute, d. 1537
21. St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Cap. religious, Doctor of the Church, d. 1619
22. Bl. Angelina of Marciano, Virgin, religious of the Third-Order Regular [living in community, under a Rule], d. 1435
23. Bl. Louise of Savoy, Virgin, of the Franciscan 2nd-Order; a "Poor Clare" sister, d. 1503
24. Bl. Modestin de Jesus-Marie, Priest, religious OFM 1st Order, d. 1864
25. Bl. Antoine Lucci, Bishop, Conventual religious, d. 1752
26. St. Anne, mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary
27. Bl. Mary Magdalene Martinengo, Virgin, Capuchin, d. 1737
28. Bl. Marie-Therese of the Infant Jesus, Virgin, Capuchin, martyr 1941
29. Bl. Alphonse de l'Immaculee, virgin, religious of the Third-Order Regular [living in community, under a Rule], d. 1946
30. St. Leopold de Castelnovo, Priest, Capuchin religious, d. 1942



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