

The Clarion



St. Clare Fraternity

St. John the Apostle Church
Milford, DE
SEPTEMBER 2018

“FOLLOW JESUS BY WALKING IN THE STEPS OF FRANCIS OF ASSISI, AND IMITATE HIS JOYFUL LOVE”

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GATHERING DATE
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2018

St. John the Apostle Church
506 Seabury Avenue
Milford, DE 19958

ATTENDANCE AT THE GATHERINGS – All active Franciscans are to make every effort to attend our monthly Gathering. **If you are unable to attend due to illness, work or family emergency, please contact Carolyn Protin at 302-424-2441.** If you are professed and miss a Gathering please send your check for the Common Fund, payable to St. Clare Fraternity Mimi Farrell, ofs
68 E. Darby Circle, Dover, DE 19904

Reminders

1. Please bring non-perishable food items for the local Food Bank that St. John the Apostle Church supports.
2. Please bring your Ritual Books and your Liturgy of the Hours.

- 11:00: Rite of Admission followed by Mass
- 12:00: Please bring your lunch and beverage. Dessert will be provided.
- 1:00: Formation – Profession
Presenters: Jackie Boyd & Kate Meire



Evening Prayer

1 vol. pg. 901
4 vol. vol. 3, pg. 1040
Hymn: #37 For the Fruits of His Creation
Presider: John Downing
Antiphonarian: Lucy Deiac
Reader: Pat DuBois

MINISTER’S MESSAGE

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Our Rule calls us to be both contemplative and apostolic in our vocation as Secular Franciscans.

For example, Article 8 states: “As Jesus was the true worshipper of the Father, so let prayer and contemplation be the soul of all they are and do...”

And we know Article 4 of the Rule says we should be devoted to careful reading of the Gospel, “going from gospel to life and life to gospel.”

As we are celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the current Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order this year, I encourage you to spend some quality time with the Rule and see how it guides you to live your life in both a contemplative and apostolic way.

Our Secular Franciscan Rule is truly a gift!

Peace and Good!
Andy

St. Edmond Church
Wednesday, OCTOBER 3



Sr. Rose Mary Eve and our St. Clare Fraternity will be offering the Transitus October 3 at 3:00pm

More information will be announced at our September 13th Gathering.

OUR FRATERNITY GATHERINGS IN 2018

September 13
Transitus October 3
October 11
November 8
December 13

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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| Marinela (Nela) Davis | 09/3 |
| Vincent Bertone | 09/11 |
| Tom Carter | 09/23 |
| Kate Meire | 09/24 |
| Jackie Boyd | 09/28 |
| Catherine Fischer | 09/30 |

PROFESSION ANNIVERSARIES

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| Beverly Stoner | 09/14/2002 |
| Ron Stoner | 09/14/2002 |
| Linda Sciallo | 09/16/1988 |
| Mimi Farrell | 09/16/1987 |
| Andy Zampini | 09/17/1991 |
| Bill Farrell | 09/21/1988 |

Have you been praying for your Prayer Partner???

Please continue to pray for all of our sisters and brothers who are unable to be with us and for the special intentions of:

Janice and Dick McCarthy, ofs
Rhona Prescott, ofs
Catherine Fischer, ofs
Linda Sciallo, ofs
Nicole Meringolo, ofs
Lucy Deiacco, ofs
Laraine Hofmann, ofs
Bill and Mimi Farrell, ofs
Tom Carter, ofs
Jackie Boyd, ofs

If you haven't sent in your intention, forms will be available in the Hall before Mass.

We pray for our deceased relatives and friends and especially:

John Zell, ofs
Mary Lou Zell, ofs
Deacon Buddy Bianco, ofs
Deacon Bob Leonizo

Our brother Frank Rega shares the following:

From The Life of St. Clare, by Celano.

A Perugine named Buongiovanni of Martino joined his fellow citizens in their war against the town of Foligno in 1254. Some heavy skirmishes were fought here and there and a blow from a stone gave him a serious fracture on his hand. In his desire to be healed, he spent a large amount of money on doctors, but no medical treatment could restore the use of his hand, which was completely powerless to do any kind of work.

Thus, he was so upset about being forced to suffer the burden of that right hand, over which he essentially had no control, and about being deprived of its use, that he often thought it would be better to have it amputated.

Then, after hearing what the Lord had deigned to demonstrate to him through his servant Clare, he made a vow and went to the virgin's sepulcher. He offered her a wax hand and lay down in front of the tomb of St. Clare. Before he could even leave the church, his hand was immediately healed.

Celebration of Transitus of St. Francis of Assisi

Each year on October 3, Franciscans and lovers of St. Francis all over the world gather to celebrate the Transitus, the remembrance of his passage from earthly life with Sr. Death into the arms of Extravagant Love. In a spirit of remembering and deep reverence, you are invited to come and share in the graces of Francis' Transitus to everlasting life where our Holy Brother Francis continues to love, teach and intercede for us.

Date: October 3, 2018

Time: 3:00

Place: St. Edmond Church

401 King Charles Ave.

Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

Note: Light refreshments will be offered after the Transitus Service

About Presenter

Sr. Rose Mary Eve Holter is a Sister of St. Francis of Philadelphia and is currently serving at St. Stephen's School and parish in Bradshaw, MD. Since 1980, Sr. Rose Mary Eve has been involved in the ministries of spirituality, storytelling, liturgical music and the Dances of Universal Peace. She has master degrees in spirituality and education and creates and offers retreats to adults and children.