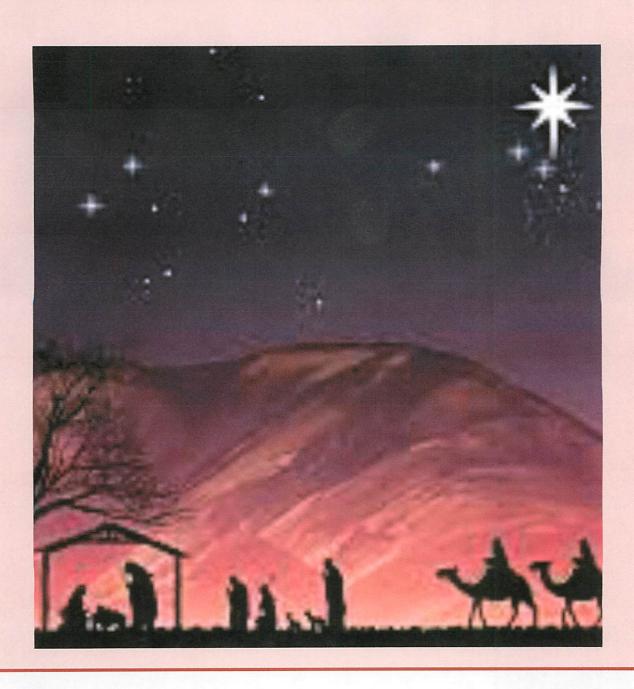
ST MARY OF THE ANGELS FRATERNITY ORDER OF THE SECULAR FRANCISCAN THE ANGELUS * DECEMBER 9TH, 2018



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2018 ADVENT: December 2nd.

Dear St. Francis, Look kindly on us and help us during this Advent to come closer to Christ and bring His love to others. Help us to give solace to the lonely, encourage and comfort the sick and depressed, give presents to needy kids, food to those with little good things to eat, and offer prayers for the souls in purgatory and for the many lost and abandoned souls on our earth. May our special seasonal good works open us to the great joy of Christmas and make us worthy to entertain the little King in our hearts.



JOIN US ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 9TH! OUR FRATERNITY'S JOYFUL CHRISTMAS PARTY! 11AM TO 3PM.

PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE! IF YOU DID NOT SIGN UP FOR ONE AT OUR NOVEMBER MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT GENIE TO SEE WHAT IS NEEDED.

LILIAN IS KINDLY HOSTING THIS EVENT AGAIN IN HER CONDO'S PARTY ROOM.

209 MONROE STREET,

THE CHESEPEAKE ROOM

TERRACE LEVEL

ROCKVILLE MD 20850

PLEASE ALSO BRING A

WRAPPED GIFT

TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR VERY FUN

CHRISTMAS GIFT EXCHANGE

WE WILL PRAY THE CHRISTIAN PRAYER AND SING CHRISTMAS CAROLS

CALL SUSAN AT 301 525 1555 IF YOU GET LOST!

Article 16 reads:

"Let them esteem work both as a gift and as sharing in the creation, redemption, and Service of the human community"

A second way of proclamation of the Good News of Jesus Christ is in our stance toward our labor. By our work ethics, secular Franciscans view their business world as an arena of salvific service to others as well as a time to exemplify the saving nature of Christ. We deem human labor as a blessing both in giving and receiving. We demonstrate and share in the benefits of God's creation, maintaining the face of the earth along with the work of Jesus Christ, and also bringing the grace of the Holy Spirit to our communities. Having a positive attitude toward our working world tends to renew our own values regarding labor and management, business and economics, welfare and wages, maximizing and properly utilizing our human resources (God-given talents and gifts) for the good of all.

May all of you and your families have a very merry, joyous, and spirit-filled Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

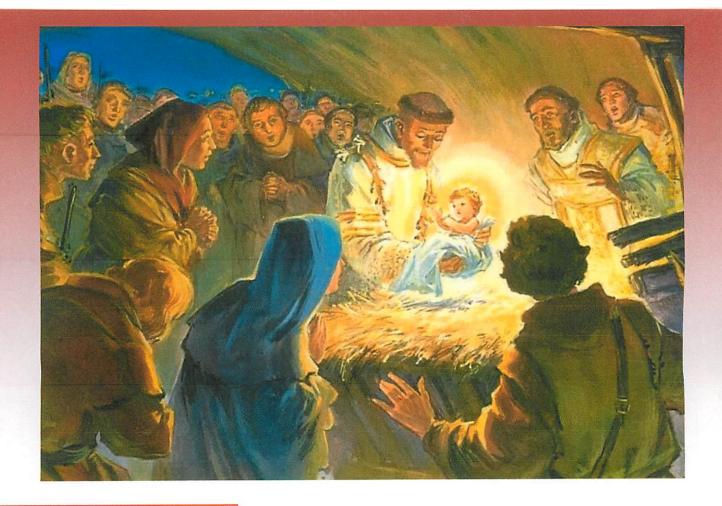
Peace,

Mike

Glorious St. Joseph, model of all those who are devoted to labour, obtain for me the grace to work conscientiously, putting the call of duty above my many sins; to work with thankfulness and joy, considering it an honour to employ and develop, by means of labour, the gifts received from God; to work with order, peace, prudence and patience, never surrendering to weariness or difficulties: to work, above all, with purity of intention, and with detachment from self, having always death before my eyes and the account which I must render of time lost, of talents wasted, of good omitted, of vain complacency in success so fatal to the work of God. All for Jesus, all for Mary, all after thy example, O Patriarch Joseph. Such shall be my motto in life and death. Amen.



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HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Carol Smith 12/2
Alina Zygmunt 12/7
Genie Dutton 12/9
Madonna Goody 12/19
Greg Davis 12/21
Rose Lawrence 12/29

No Five Year Professions this month.

Prayer Needs:

Tap, Rose Mary Mazzaglia, Connie and her family, Joyce and others in our Fraternity who provide full time care to their disabled relatives. For all the unknown needs of our

fellow fraternity members.

Prayer for Holy Souls in Purgatory



Our Lord promised
Saint Gertrude
that 1000 souls would be
released from purgatory
each time this prayer is said
devoutly.

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.

THANK YOU O LORD

By Father Michael Briese

Thank You, O Lord, for letting me live another day.

Thank You, O Lord for the provision of adequate shelter.

Thank You, O Lord, for the many gifts of adequate foods, crops and waterways and other beneficial resources.

Thank You, O Lord, for the bountiful crops of the fields, fruits of the orchards, and various livestock.

Thank You, O Lord, for the abundant beauties we can discover, or find in, and around us and all throughout creation.

Thank You, O Lord, for our loving parents and their exemplary justice, kindness, mercy, and forgiveness.

Thank You, O Lord, for your infinite love, merciful justice and deep concern for me, my loved ones, our neighbors and even the strangers in need.

Thank You, O Lord, for this morning and the radiant fiery orange rays which permeate the breaking of dawn--- as the late night surrenders unto the breaking new day.

Thank You, O Lord, for this breath You just granted unto me.

Thank You O Lord, as each passing second and moment ensure Your love of all human life.

Thank You, O Lord, for creating me out of Your infinite love and creating me in Your image and likeness.

Thank You, O Lord, for granting me this one gift of one lifetime, and enabling me to more fully understand that all human life is sacred, precious and holy.

Thank You, O Lord, for granting unto me, an unworthy servant, Your unearned, unmerited and undeserved Divine Mercy. Holy are You, O Lord, our God.

Thank You, O Lord, for all You say and do in and throughout each and every hour of my lifetime. I search and discover You in my midst. I wait and I wait, as You, dear Lord, enter more fully into the very depths of my heart, mind and soul.

Blessed are You, dear Lord.

In Thanksgiving, say one Our Father and listen to the words.

Come, Sun and Savior, to embrace Our gloomy world, its weary race,

As groom to bride, as bride to groom:
The wedding chamber, Mary's womb.
At your great Name, O Jesus, now
All knees must bend, all hearts must bow;
All things on earth with one accord,
Like those in heaven, shall call you Lord.
Come in your holy might, we pray,
Redeem us for eternal day;
Defend us while we dwell below.

(Advent Evening Hymn (8th Century))

From all assaults of our dread foe.

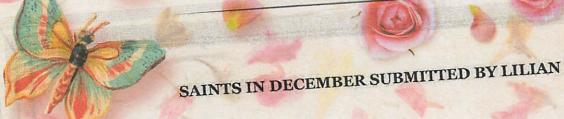
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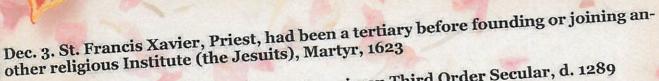
isn't just a temporal celebration or the memory of a beautiful (event); Christmas is more ...

Christmas is an

encounter!"

– Pope Francis





Dec. 5, Bl. Peter of Siena, Confessor, Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1289

Dec. 6. Bl. Elisabeth la Bonne, Virgin, Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1420

Dec. 8. Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Patroness of the Seraphic Order, Holy Day of Obligation, Plenary Indulgence for tertiaries and cordbearers

Dec. 9. Bl. Delphine de Glandeves, Virgin, Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1360, and Blessed Juan Diego

Dec. 12. Feast of Our Lady Of Guadaupe and Discovery of the tomb of St. , Francis 1820

Dec. 15. Mary Queen of the Seraphic Order

Dec. 24th Christmas Eve

Dec. 25. Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Holy Day of Obligation

Dec. 28. Feast of the Holy Innocents

Dec. 30. Bl. Margaret Colonna, Virgin, the Franciscan 2nd-Order; a "Poor Clare" sister, d. 1280

Dec 31. St. Gaspard Buffalo, Priest, Franciscan Third Order Secular, d. 1836; Plenary Indulgence (Chant the Te Deum in public)