

The Little Flower Secular Franciscan Fraternity

St. Margaret de Cortona Region

St. Clement Mary Hofbauer Church Hall 1220 Chesaco Avenue Baltimore, MD 21237

Come and be fed...body, mind, soul and spirit

February Gathering is on Sunday, February 24th

Agenda:

- 12:00 noon: Mass at St. Clement Mary Hofbauer Church for those who wish to attend
- 1:00 pm Social Gathering: Refreshment provided by: Beth Dykton, OFS, James Davis, OFS, Gary Haigley, OFS and Kathleen Hale, OFS
- 1:30 pm Liturgy of the Hours: February 24th, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Times

Hymn: #40 p. 1548 "Love Divine All Love Excelling" Antiphon & Psalms: p. 862-864 Reading: 1 Peter 1: 3-7 p. 865 Responsory: p. 866 Marian Antiphon: Evening Prayer II p. 252 Marian Canticle: p. 696 Intercession: p. 866 Lord's Prayer Final Prayer: p. 251

Liturgy of the Hour Participants:

Presider: James Davis, OFS Antiphonarian: Gary Haigley, OFS Reader: Lisa Gough, OFS

1:50 pm	Little Flower Business Matters
2:10 pm	Saint Presentation by Mike Huether, OFS and Beth Dykton, OFS
2:45 pm	Gospel to Life: Facilitator - Al Gigel, OFS
3:30 pm	Dismissal – Please refer to the brown ritual book. Clean up/Lights out

Birthday Celebrant:

February		Marc	h
Ann Amrhein	February 12 th	Gary Haigley	March 14th

Profession Anniversaries:

Marge LaneFebruary 27, 2005Frank PassaroFebruary 27, 2005

Gospel to Life:

First Reading — 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Responsorial Reading — Psalm 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13 Second Reading — 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Gospel Reading — Luke 6:27-38

Jesus said to his disciples: "To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak, do not withhold even your tunic. Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back. Do to others as you would have them do to you. For if you love those who love you,

what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same. If you lend money to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, and get back the same amount. **But rather, love your enemies** and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven. Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you."

Reflection Questions:

1. Which of these admonitions do you find the easiest to do? Which is the hardest to do?

2. How would you define the mercy of the Father?

3. What influence should a desire for reward (verses 35 and 38) play in our being merciful?

4. Is Jesus speaking of ruling righteously and with discernment when necessary, or of being judgmental? Explain the difference.

Treasury Report:

February Charity: Chihumba School (Fr. Guy)

January Treasury Report:			
Beginning Balance as of 12/31/18	\$1,544.17		
Income			
Common Fund	\$310.00		
Charity – ICCR	\$115.00		
Fair Share	\$30.00		
Other – Guides	\$5.00		
Expenses			
Indian Family Apostolate	\$50.00		
Charity - ICCR	\$125.00		
St. Clement's Church (Rent 4 months)	\$200.00		
St. Clement's Church Deposit Day of Reflection	\$50.00		
Postage/Media Supplies	\$32.32		
Ending Balance as of 1/31/1			

Save the Date:

March 23, 2019 - Day of Reflection "Walking Together – An Ecumenical Journey" Early Bird Deadline for Registration: March 1, 2019 \$25.00 per person After March 1, 2019 Registration Fee: \$30.00 per person

PLEASE NOTE: SATURDAY, MARCH 23 IS IN PLACE OF OUR SUNDAY GATHERING FOR MARCH!

If the cost of this event is a true burden, please see a Council Member for assistance!

****NEW** April 13, 2019** – Day of Reflection for Inquirers, Candidates, Formation Directors and Teams – Shrine of St. Anthony Ellicott City \$50 due by 3/23/19

May 31, 2019 – June 2, 2019: Priestfield Retreat Deposit of \$100 due by 5/23/19

Coming Up in **APRIL!**

Gathering:

Council Member of the Month: Kelly Frederick, OFS Liturgy of the Hour Participants: Michael Huether, OFS Francine Hilton, OFS Al Gigel, OFS

Gentle Reminder: If you are unable to attend the Gathering when you are scheduled for Liturgy of the Hours/Refreshment that it is YOUR responsibility to find a replacement and/or swap with someone!

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A note from the Minister:

Proverbs 10:19 When there are many words, transgression is unavoidable, But he who restrains his lips is wise.

Proverbs 17:28 Even a fool, when he keeps silent, is considered wise; When he closes his lips, he is considered prudent.

Síocháin agus gach maith (Gaelic) Lisa