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Let us begin again, for up to now we have done nothing.

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Experiencing Our Common Charism

In response to the request of our National Fraternity to all the regions, I volunteered to chair a newly-formed Interfaith/Ecumenical Committee for the region. Through this newly-formed committee, we will work to partner with our "other brothers and sisters" of the various faiths and charisms of churches, religious associations, and ecclesial communities worldwide.

According to the Directory for the Application of the Principles and Norms of Ecumenism issued by the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity, concerning our relationship with the other Christian churches of the world:

The ecumenical movement... calls all Christians to faith... according to the design of God who wishes to bring humanity to salvation and unity in Christ through the Holy Spirit. This movement calls them to the hope that the prayer of Jesus, "that they all may be one" will be fully realized. It calls them to that charity which is the new commandment of Christ and the gift by which the Holy Spirit unites all believers. The Second Vatican Council clearly asked Catholics to reach out in love to all other Christians with a charity that desires and works actively to overcome in truth whatever divides them from one another.... Catholics are to act in hope and in prayer to promote Christian unity. They will be prompted and instructed by their faith in the mystery of the Church, and their ecumenical activity will be inspired and guided by a true understanding of the Church as a "sacrament or instrumental sign of intimate union with God, and of unity of the whole human race." (The Search for Christian Unity, #9)

The Directory also addresses our relationships with other faiths of the world (Interfaith):

There are increasing contacts in today's world between Christians and persons of other religions. These contacts differ radically from the contacts between the Churches and ecclesial Communities,

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Regional Minister's Message



BE SOLICITOUS TO MAKE YOUR ELECTION PERMANENT

Dear sisters and brothers in Francis and Clare,

As we come to the close of the 40th Anniversary Celebration of our Pauline Rule, I would like to reflect on the Third Luminous Mystery of the Rosary, "The Proclamation of the Kingdom," and how our Rule

plays an important part in living out the gospel life. A large portion of our Rule invites us to proclaim the Kingdom of God to others daily.

Below are a few examples of our Rule for you to meditate on, to help keep us grounded as we live out each day, keeping in mind "The Proclamation of the Kingdom."

Rule 6. They have been made living members of the Church by being buried and raised with Christ in baptism; they have been united more intimately with the Church by profession. Therefore, they should go forth as witnesses and instruments of her mission among all people, proclaiming Christ by their life and words.

Rule 8. As Jesus was the true worshiper of the Father, so let prayer and contemplation be the soul of all they are and do.

Let them participate in the sacramental life of the Church, above all the Eucharist. Let them join in liturgical prayer in one of the forms proposed by the Church, reliving the mysteries of the life of Christ.

Rule 10. ...Let them also follow the poor and crucified Christ, witness to Him even in difficulties and persecutions.

Rule 11. Let them be mindful that according to the gospel, they are stewards of the goods received for the benefit of God's children.

Rule 12. Witnessing to the good yet to come....

Rule 13. As the Father sees in every person the features of his Son, the firstborn of many brothers and sisters, so the Secular Franciscans with a gentle and courteous spirit accept all people as a gift of the Lord and an image of Christ.

A sense of community will make them joyful and

ready to place themselves on an equal basis with all people, especially with the lowly for whom they shall strive to create conditions of life worthy of people redeemed by Christ.

Rule 14. Secular Franciscans, together with all people of good will, are called to build a more fraternal and evangelical world so that the kingdom of God may be brought about more effectively....

Rule 15. Let them individually and collectively be in the forefront in promoting justice by the testimony of their human lives and their courageous initiatives....

Rule 16. Let them esteem work both as a gift and as a sharing in the creation, redemption, and service of the human community.

Rule 17. In their family they should cultivate the Franciscan spirit of peace, fidelity, and respect for life, striving to make of it a sign of a world already renewed in Christ.

Rule 18. Moreover, they should respect all creatures, animate and inanimate, which "bear the imprint of the Most High," and they should strive to move from the temptation of exploiting creation to the Franciscan concept of universal kinship.

Rule 19. Mindful that they are bearers of peace which must be built up unceasingly, they should seek out ways of unity and fraternal harmony through dialogue, trusting in the presence of the divine seed in everyone and in the transforming power of love and pardon.

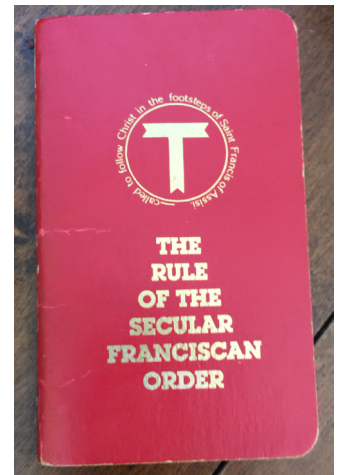
Messengers of perfect joy in every circumstance, they should strive to bring joy and hope to others.

Sisters and brothers, just because the celebration of our Rule is coming to a close does not mean we stop proclaiming the Kingdom of God. Our visibility and our actions are a sign of hope, love and peace to others.

Remember, we are all called to evangelize both verbally and by our actions.

Your Franciscan brother in Christ,

Bob Longo, OFS



("Common Charism" from page 1)

which have for their object the restoration of the unity Christ willed among all His disciples and are properly called ecumenical. But in practice, they are deeply influenced by, and in turn influence ecumenical relationships. Through them Christians can deepen the level of communion existing among themselves, and so they are to be considered an important part of ecumenical cooperation....

In working out religious relationships with the Jewish and relations with members of the other religions, in accordance with appropriate directives, Catholics can find many opportunities for collaboration with members of other churches and ecclesial communities. There are many areas where Christians can work together in fostering dialogue and common action... with other believers... in promoting religious perspectives on issues of justice and peace...[and] respect for minority communities.... In these inter-religious contacts, Christians can appeal together to their common biblical and theological sources, thereby bringing Christian insights to this broader context, in a way that fosters Christian unity as well."(Ecumenical Cooperation in the Dialogue with Other Religions, #210)



are being given the opportunity to experience the meaning and manners by which other religious communities include God in their plans. By this effort, we hope we can find a "common Charism" or manner in which we can partner together in action to fulfill God's plans for all of humankind on commonly-agreed ground. We will do this on two levels: Ecumenically with our other Christian (separated) brethren and on an interfaith level with our brothers and sisters of other faiths and religious beliefs.

As secular Franciscans, we are given the responsibility of promoting the interfaith/ecumenical thrust of the Church by both educating and acclimating ourselves to learning how to build relationships with all types of religious communities. As a first step in this direction (and I have Don Schwab and Barb Lizana of Sacred Heart Fraternity in Virginia Beach to thank for giving me the model for this first step), I am requesting that if any fraternity in the region is currently engaged in or is planning on engaging in any activity of an interfaith/ecumenical nature, either by sponsorship or participation, let me know about it and also how it is promoting interfaith/ecumenical dialogue and relationships with your members and communities. We need to keep track of all our efforts to partner with other churches and ecclesial communities for their promotion, as well as to use them as models for how other fraternities can be involved. Thank you all for the work you have already done so far!

This second quote from the *Directory* introduces us to our key word here, "dialogue." This was our Father Francis' preferred approach and the process I am proposing by which we will implement our region's interfaith/ecumenical theme: "Experiencing Our Common Charism." By this, we take on the initiative and make an effort to approach those of other faiths and religions in dialogue to both learn about the significances of their religious and cultural practices as well as take the opportunity to share with them what ours is about. In this respect, we

Finally, I'd like to thank my Franciscan sister, Anne Mulqueen for her March presentation on the Ecumenical Movement, as well as the mentoring and advice she has given me and will continue to give to me. All this has helped me to get started on this new position. Anne has much experience in the interfaith/ecumenical area from her past involvement with the International Fraternity Council.

*Mike Huether, OFS
Interfaith/Ecumenical Chairman*



Mark Your Calendar



May 31-June 2, 2019 – Regional Retreat, Priest Field
Pastoral Center, 4030 Middleway Pike, Kearneysville, WV 25430.
[Registration form is on page 12.](#)

October 3, 2019 – Transitus of Our Seraphic Father Francis. Details to follow.



November 23, 2019 – Chapter of Ministers and National Visitation. St. Clare Parish, 714 Myrth Ave Essex, MD 21221. Details to follow.



Papal Exhortation to the World's Young People

On March 25, 2019, in Loreto, Pope Francis released his Apostolic Exhortation, *Christus Vivit* (Christ Lives). An exhortation is defined as an urgent plea to do what is proper or required. This exhortation is the result of several years of listening by the Pope to input from young people from all over the world. It includes some, but not all, of the reflections and concerns from the Synod on Young People held in 2018. It is a document that is rich in hope, but also completely honest about the current situation in both the world and the church. In this brief summary, I hope to give an overview of the document and a few ways that we, as Secular Franciscans, can be part of its implementation.

Christus Vivit has nine chapters. Each chapter addresses topics related to the overall theme. The chapters are: 1) What does the word of God have to say about young people?; 2) Jesus, ever young; 3) You are the "now" of God; 4) A great message for all young people; 5) Paths of youth; 6) Young people with roots; 7) Youth Ministry; 8) Vocation; 9) Discernment.

Briefly, Chapter 1 shows that young people have been active in the entire salvation history in both the Old and New Testaments. Chapter 2 connects what is known of the early life of Jesus, his growing in wisdom to the living witness of the Church and the life of Mary, the mother of God, and how other young saints have responded. Chapter 3 speaks directly to young people, tells them they are the "now" of God, and reflects upon their struggles in a world filled with uncertainty. Chapter 4 has a great message in three parts: our God is a God of Love, Christ has saved you, and Christ is alive. Chapter 5 goes on to talk of the paths youth can take in fulfilling their dreams and decisions. Chapter 6 discusses how to avoid being uprooted by the challenges of life and calls for a dialogue between youth and their parents and mentors. Chapter 7 lays out the role youth ministry can play in this process and how to accompany the young people in this ministry. Chapter 8 focuses on vocation, not only to the religious life, but also how family and work fit into the larger view of vocation. The final chapter is about discernment and how one goes about putting all of this together.

It was, to say the least, very challenging to try to summarize this document to give you a sense of its deep pastoral vision for youth and adults. One cannot come away from reading this document without gaining a great sense of hope and of when do we get started! I found that many of the paragraphs of *Christus Vivit* complement our Rule for Secular Franciscans. Initially, I see four ways that we, as Secular Franciscans, can help implement this exhortation. They are Listening to the young adults, sharing our stories, accompanying them on their journey, and advocating for young adults in all areas where we are involved, such

as work, secular and religious organizations, and in our parishes. The young adult ministry world is still working on its understanding and implementation, and I plan on sharing what I learn from their examples.

I will close by sharing some words from Pope Francis' exhortation (paragraph numbers):

Pope Francis begins by stating:

2. He is in you, he is with you and he never abandons you. However far you may wander, he is always there, the Risen One. He calls you and he waits for you to return to him and start over again. When you feel you are growing old out of sorrow, resentment or fear, doubt or failure, he will always be there to restore your strength and your hope.

15. The word of God says that young people should be treated "as brothers" (1 Tim 5:1), and warns parents not to "provoke your children, lest they become discouraged" (Col 3:21). Young people are not meant to become discouraged; they are meant to dream great things, to seek vast horizons, to aim higher, to take on the world, to accept challenges and to offer the best of themselves to the building of something better. That is why I constantly urge young people not to let themselves be robbed of hope; to each of them I repeat: "Let no one despise your youth" (1 Tim 4:12).

38. Those of us who are no longer young need to find ways of keeping close to the voices and concerns of young people. "Drawing together creates the conditions for the Church to become a place of dialogue and a witness to life-giving fraternity".[12] We need to make more room for the voices of young people to be heard: "listening makes possible an exchange of gifts in a context of empathy... At the same time, it sets the conditions for a preaching of the Gospel that can touch the heart truly, decisively and fruitfully".[13]

66. We adults can often be tempted to list all the problems and failings of today's young people. Perhaps some will find it praiseworthy that we seem so expert in discerning difficulties and dangers. But what would be the result of such an attitude? Greater distance, less closeness, less mutual assistance.

125. Alive, he can be present in your life at every moment, to fill it with light and to take away all sorrow and solitude. Even if all others depart, he will remain, as he promised: "I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Mt 28:20). He fills your life with his unseen presence; wherever you go, he will be waiting there for you. Because he did not only

(See "Exhortation" on page 5)

come in the past, but he comes to you today and every day, inviting you to set out towards ever new horizons.

143. Dear young people, make the most of these years of your youth. Don't observe life from a balcony. Don't confuse happiness with an armchair, or live your life behind a screen. Whatever you do, do not become the sorry sight of an abandoned vehicle! Don't be parked cars, but dream freely and make good decisions. Take risks, even if it means making mistakes. Don't go through life anesthetized or approach the world like tourists. Make a ruckus! Cast out the fears that paralyze you, so that you don't become young mummies. Live! Give yourselves over to the best of life! Open the door of the cage, go out and fly! Please, don't take an early retirement.

199. If we journey together, young and old, we can be firmly rooted in the present, and from here, revisit the past and look to the future. To revisit the past in order to learn from history and heal old wounds that at times still trouble us. To look to the future in order to nourish our enthusiasm, cause dreams to emerge, awaken prophecies and enable hope to blossom. Together, we can learn from one another, warm hearts, inspire minds with the light of the Gospel, and lend new strength to our hands.

224. Many young people have come to appreciate silence and closeness to God. Groups that gather to adore the Blessed Sacrament or to pray with the word of God have also increased. We should never underestimate the ability of young people to be open to contemplative prayer. We need only find the right ways and means to help them embark on this precious experience. When it comes to worship and prayer, "in many settings, young Catholics are asking for prayer opportunities and sacramental celebrations capable of speaking to their daily lives through a fresh, authentic and joyful liturgy".[118] It is important to make the most of the great moments of the liturgical year, particularly Holy Week, Pentecost and Christmas. But other festive occasions can provide a welcome break in their routine and help them experience the joy of faith.

242. Young people need to have their freedom respected, yet they also need to be accompanied. The family should be the first place of accompaniment. Youth ministry can present the ideal of life in Christ as the process of building a house on rock (cf. Mt 7:24-25). For most young people, that house, their life, will be built on marriage and married love. That is why youth ministry and the pastoral care of families should be coordinated and integrated, with the aim of ensuring a continuous and suitable accompaniment of the vocational process.

287. To discern our personal vocation, we have to realize that it is a calling from a friend, who is Jesus. When we give something to our friends, we give them the best we have. It will not necessarily be what is most expensive or

hard to obtain, but what we know will make them happy. Friends are so sensitive to this that they can already imagine the smile on their friend's face when he or she opens that gift. This sort of discernment that takes place among friends is what I suggest you take as a model for trying to discover God's will for your lives.

295. In this way [listening & accompaniment], discernment becomes a genuine means of spiritual combat, helping us to follow the Lord more faithfully.[161] The desire to know our personal vocation thus takes on a supreme intensity, a different quality and higher level, one that better respects the dignity of our person and our life. In the end, good discernment is a path of freedom that brings to full fruit what is unique in each person, something so personal that only God knows it. Others cannot fully understand or predict from the outside how it will develop.

296. When we listen to others in this way, at a certain moment we ourselves have to disappear in order to let the other person follow the path he or she has discovered. We have to vanish as the Lord did from the sight of his disciples in Emmaus, leaving them alone with burning hearts and an irresistible desire to set out immediately (cf. Lk 24:31-33). When they returned to the community, those disciples heard the good news that the Lord was indeed risen (cf. Lk 24:34).

And to conclude... a wish

299. Dear young people, my joyful hope is to see you keep running the race before you, outstripping all those who are slow or fearful. Keep running, "attracted by the face of Christ, whom we love so much, whom we adore in the Holy Eucharist and acknowledge in the flesh of our suffering brothers and sisters. May the Holy Spirit urge you on as you run this race. The Church needs your momentum, your intuitions, your faith. We need them! And when you arrive where we have not yet reached, have the patience to wait for us".[164]

The complete document can be found at:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/papa-francesco_esortazione-ap_20190325_christus-vivit.html

*Peace and All Good,
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Regional Youth and Young
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Annual Day of Reflection



The Other Side of “Where are you going?”

“WHERE ARE YOU GOING?”

It’s a familiar, important question for our missionaries serving overseas, but also relevant for our year-long volunteers, who often arrive in D.C. for the start of their service program after considering various options for after college. At the same time, all of our missionaries and volunteers come from somewhere, and connections to home help sustain all program participants during their year—or years—of service. In addition, the experiences of missionaries and volunteers also have an impact on their home communities and families while they are serving with Franciscan Mission Service, often long before they become a returned missionary or alumni volunteer.

In this article, we consider the other side of “Where are you going?” and hear from family members of missionaries and volunteers who speak to three of the many ways their loved one’s “yes” to service has impacted their worldview and relationships.

“A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE WHOLE PICTURE”: VISITS TO MISSION COUNTRIES

Before Mary Cauzillo visited her daughter, SarahJane, in Cochabamba, it wasn’t easy to imagine what life in Bolivia was really like. Mary knew that SarahJane was following her heart, and Mary, herself, had gotten more comfortable with loving her daughter from a distance, but listening to the ups and downs of SarahJane’s time in Bolivia just wasn’t enough. The picture that SarahJane’s family held of her mission life was unclear and incomplete. And then Mary, along with her husband Bill, decided to change that by traveling a few thousand miles to spend some precious time with SarahJane in her host community.

Upon leaving the United States, Mary and Bill’s trip began to sound a bit like the travel narratives that get posted on blogs or published in magazines. They both appreciated how frequent flier miles got them to Bolivia. Bill got lost in the city, and then found his way back home with the help of police officers that SarahJane later thanked with a two-liter bottle of Coca-Cola. Mary found the traffic “ridiculous” compared to what she was used to at home. These experiences made for good anecdotes to share with family and friends, but other, deeper stories were being written at the same time, stories that spoke of ministry and deep relationships.

Visiting “Nuestra Casa,” the home for child survivors of sexual abuse and the place where SarahJane is in ministry, was particularly special. While there, Mary, Bill, and SarahJane shared a meal with the girls that they prepared together, but Mary and Bill also got a glimpse of the girls’ struggles for healing when some of them went to counseling and came back with teary, red eyes. Though the girls

mostly returned to what they were doing, Bill saw some of the girls comforting each other—a poignant reminder that pain and childlike joy often exist alongside each other, especially in places like Nuestra Casa.

“I can’t get over seeing what she walks every day,” says Mary, reflecting on her time in Cochabamba. “SJ wanted us to come, not just to see her but because her life is changing. We’ve always been a part of all her changes and she wanted us to be a part of this. I have a better understanding of the whole picture.”

“IT’S BEAUTIFUL”: SEEING VOLUNTEERS GROW AND THRIVE

“I wasn’t hesitant at all,” says Dena Brandt when asked how she responded when her daughter, Amy, shared that she would be moving from Seattle, Washington, to Washington, D.C., to serve in FMS’ office as the organization’s Communication Associate. Dena was comforted by FMS’ Catholic values and the fact that Amy would be growing spiritually and professionally during her year of service. “I imagined her being able to put her new knowledge to work and being able to discern where to go career-wise,” says Dena. “Rather than jumping right out of college into a job, I thought, here was an opportunity to discern through the year where to put her skills.”

Having been through the experience of saying goodbye to Amy when she studied abroad, Dena was also ready to manage the challenges of maintaining a relationship long distance. In her heart, she trusted that the experience would be worthwhile for Amy, but she was surprised. Not only did Amy grow, but she really thrived in ways that college hadn’t necessarily given her a chance to try on for size.

By stepping into a position at the FMS office, Amy’s began to apply her background in marketing, communications, and graphic design in a new, very public way. Her designs ended up on Christmas cards and invitations to thousands of FMS supporters. Her writing graced the FMS blog. Her “Welcome to Sunday” images continued a tradition started by the previous Communications Associate, Alessia Catena, and helped social media followers reflect on the Sunday Gospel readings.

But what made these experiences special and different from the jobs Amy could have jumped into was the backdrop of prayer, community, and formation—all hallmarks of the DC Service Corps program. “She questions us on things,” says Dena, referring to how Amy’s time in DC has strengthened her understanding of social justice and the countries in which FMS missionaries serve.

Dena isn’t bothered by the questions, though. On the contrary, they are affirmations of Amy’s choice to serve—and her parents’ decision to support her in that choice. “At home it’s easy to be comfortable and dependent on

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family and friends," says Dena. "[In DC] she has an opportunity to shine. I've been impressed. I had no idea the level of her savviness and business skills. It's beautiful."

"IT REMINDS ME OF WHEN I WAS GOING": [RE]CONNECTING TO SERVICE IN LIGHT OF A LOVED ONE'S MINISTRIES

When Troy was young, his father, Tim Shelgren, was very active in his church's youth group and instilled a spirit of service in his children. Given this history, Troy wasn't completely surprised when Tim decided to become an FMS lay missionary and dedicate two years of his later adult life to living and serving in Kingston, Jamaica.

What Troy didn't necessarily expect, however, was how this spirit of service would be reignited in him once Tim began his time with FMS. After all, the contexts for Tim's and Troy's lives were—and still are—very different. Troy has two young children, while Tim, without dependents anymore, is now serving as "Uncle Tim" and mentor to dozens of boys in two different group homes in Kingston.. Troy served with AmeriCorps in his twenties, while Tim is in the middle of a serving with FMS in his late fifties. Troy's life is based in Switzerland, where he established his life over a decade ago, while Tim is only temporarily living in Jamaica during his time serving with FMS.

And yet, despite these differences, Troy found himself inspired and changed by seeing his father support various ministries in and around Kingston. By accompanying Tim in his daily life in Jamaica, Troy saw the giving, compassionate side of Tim that he had always known, but he also saw something new in his dad. Different from the service in which Tim had engaged with Troy's youth group, lay mission in Jamaica was all-encompassing—a way of life.

Reflecting on his visit with his dad, Troy shared how he appreciated FMS's approach to mission and to Gospel living, "I have a lot of respect for the way [my dad] is willing to test his faith that seriously...really reading these great

characters we know and then trying to do things the way they did them and see what comes from it. There are not a lot of people doing it that literally. I am jazzed that he found an organization like FMS."

Reminded of his time in AmeriCorps, Troy began to reflect on small, but meaningful ways to integrate service into his own daily life. Upon returning to his family in Switzerland, Troy became more intentional in instilling a spirit of service in his own family and cultivating gratitude. He now hopes to return to Jamaica with his eldest daughter so she can recognize the importance of compassion at a young age.

Speaking of his visit with his father, Troy shared one of the meaningful moments that emerged. "Tim was preparing material [for a reading lesson] and he was saying, 'Ok, first I am going to do this. Then I am going to do this, and my ten minutes per kid will be up.' It was funny because whenever he gets like that it reminds me of when I was going off to service like that...it was wonderful seeing him serving in those ways."

CONCLUSION: WHERE DID YOU COME FROM?

As an organization that values, respects, and supports the unique life journeys of its missionaries and volunteers, FMS would be remiss if it did not acknowledge the amazing variety of stories that make up the lived experiences of family members of missionaries and volunteers. An individual's decision to serve in a sustained way over a year or more has a ripple effect. Sometimes, those ripples are small and almost imperceptible, and sometimes they look more like waves. Nonetheless, this truth is one we honor as an organization and one that links the stories told here, as well as the many stories that are untold: the other side of "Where are you going?" is important. It has meaning. It is sacred.

To learn more about Franciscan Mission Service, including how to visit Bolivia with us in August 2018, please visit our website at www.franciscanmissionservice.org or email us at info@franciscanmissionservice.org.



Beth Dykton Appointed Area Councilor



Beth Dykton, OFS, has been appointed as Regional Area Councilor for MD/Southern PA. Beth was born in the suburbs of Washington, D.C., and has lived in Baltimore for the past 15 years. Beth has worked at FedEx for the past 30 years as a delivery driver.

She has always been drawn to the Franciscan charism; her great-grandmother and father were also Secular Franciscans—it runs in the family! Beth was professed in 2011 and is currently the Vice Minister of the Little Flower Fraternity. She attends St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church in northeast Baltimore. She is active in her parish as leader of communion services, lector, Eucharistic Minister, money counter, and volunteer church bus driver, and she feeds the homeless every month in Baltimore City.

Beth looks forward to being a servant leader to the St. Margaret of Cortona Region.

Around the Region

RECENTLY ADMITTED

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Kay Early, OFS, Companions of Francis and Clare Fraternity, Salem, Va.
Ian Langella, OFS, St. Thomas More Fraternity, Harrisburg, Pa.
Dalia Obregon, OFS, Companions of Francis and Clare Fraternity, Salem, Va.
Deborah Salldin, OFS, St. Thomas More Fraternity, Harrisburg, Pa.



Companions of Francis and Clare newly professed: Marianne Boyle, (far left), and Tom Boyle, (far right), celebrate their newly professed sisters. Dalia Obregon, (in teal shirt), professed on April 28th, (Divine Mercy Sunday), and Kay Early, (in striped shirt), professed on March 24th at the fraternity's annual retreat. All four are members of the Abingdon, Virginia cell of the Companions of Francis and Clare Fraternity, located in Salem, Virginia.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY ELECTED

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St. Anthony of Nagasaki Fraternity Council: Secretary, Mary Catherine Bibro, OFS; Minister, Laura Rainey, OFS; Councilor, Anne-Marie Miller, OFS. Back row: Formation Director, Lenny Garcia, OFS; Treasurer, Bill Hunt, OFS; Vice-Minister, Patrick Martin, OFS; Councilor, John Cusick, OFS

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Secretary: Theresa Yum
Treasurer: Hyachinta Ryu
Formation Director: Irene Kim



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(See "Around the Region" cont'd on page 10)

St. Francis Fraternity, Washington, D.C.

Minister: Janice Benton., OFS
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Treasurer: Dale Evans, OFS
Formation Director: Mary Liepold, OFS
Councilor: Lolita Jardeleza, OFS



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St. Joseph Fraternity, York, Pa.

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St. Thomas More Fraternity, Arlington, Va.

Minister: Andrea Bender, OFS
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Councilor at Large: Michael Landrigan OFS



St. Thomas More (Arlington) Fraternity Council: Minister, Andrea Bender, OFS; Vice Minister, Ann Corro, OFS; Secretary, Janette Martin, OFS; Treasurer Ann Wester, OFS; Councilor at Large, Michael Landrigan OFS. Not pictured, Formation Director, Thomas Bender, OFS

LOSSES IN THE FAMILY



Patricia Allnutt, OFS, April 14, 2019. Patricia was professed in November 2002 and was an active member of Mount St. Sepulchre Fraternity in Washington, D.C., until she moved from the area and her health declined.

Frances Cannon, OFS, March 24, 2019. Frances was a member of St. Francis of Assisi (Deaf) Fraternity, although she had been unable to participate for many years.

Ron Kauffman, OFS, April 12, 2019. Ron was a member of Tau Fraternity in Herndon, Va.

Stana Piazza, OFS, March 5, 2019. Stana was a member of Sacred Heart Fraternity in Virginia Beach, Va.



Mary Rita Rossa, OFS, April 17, 2019. Mary Rita was a member of St. Conrad Fraternity in Annapolis, Md.

Naed Smith, OFS. Naed was a member of St. Thomas More Fraternity in Harrisburg, Pa., and had been the manager of the Catholic Worker House in Harrisburg.

REGIONAL RETREAT 2019

Where: Priest Field Pastoral Center, 4030 Middleway Pike, Kearneysville, WV 25430-3742

When: May 31 - June 2, 2019

Who: All Secular Franciscans, including candidates, inquirers and spiritual assistants

What: Deepening our Franciscan Vocation

Presenter: Br. Michael Meza, OFM Cap

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1. Submit form no later than **May 23, 2019**
2. Please type or print all information clearly.
3. Only one participant per registration form.
4. A deposit of \$100.00 must accompany this form. **Deposit is nonrefundable after May 23, 2019.**
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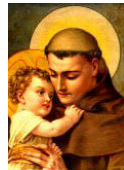

Franciscan Saints, Blesseds and Feasts

(Click on the name to go to a Web link.)

MAY

- 16 **St. Margaret of Cortona**, penitent, Third Order Secular (1247-February 22, 1297). Plenary Indulgence possible (renewal of engagements of the Third Order Secular) 
- 17 **St. Paschal of Baylon**, Friar, Order of Friars Minor (May 16, 1540-May 17, 1592)
- 18 **St. Felix de Cantalice**, Lay Brother, Capuchin (May 16, 1540-May 17, 1592)
- 19 **St. Crispin of Viterbo**, Lay Brother, Capuchin (November 13, 1668-May 19, 1750)
St. Marie-Bernard Butler, Foundress, Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Help of Sinners (May 28, 1848-May 19, 1924)
- 19 **St. Theophilus of Corte**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor (October 30, 1676-June 17, 1740)
St. Yves of Brittany, Priest, Third Order Secular, Patron of Lawyers (October 17, 1253-May 19, 1303)
- 20 **St. Bernardine of Siena**, Priest, Missionary, Order of Friars Minor (September 8, 1380-May 20, 1444)
- 21 **Bl. Franz Jägerstätter**, Third Order Secular, Martyr (May 20, 1907-August 9, 1943) 
- 22 **Bl. John Forest**, Priest, Friars Minor of the Regular Observance (1471-May 22, 1538)
Bl. John of Prado, Priest, Martyr, Barefooted Franciscans of the Strict Observance (c. 1563-May 24, 1636)
- 24 **Dedication of the Basilica in Assisi**, 1253
- 26 **St. Mariane of Jesus Parades**, Third Order Secular, Hermit (October 31, 1618-May 26, 1645)
- 27 **Bl. Gerard of Lunel**, Confessor, Third Order Secular (1275-1298)
- 30 **King Saint Fernando III**, King of Spain, Third Order Secular (1199/1201-May 30, 1252)
St. Joan of Arc, Secular Franciscan, "Maid of Orleans" and martyr of France (c. 1412-May 30, 1431) 
- 31 **St. Camilla Battista of Varano**, Princess, Poor Clare Abbess (April 9, 1458-May 31, 1524)

JUNE

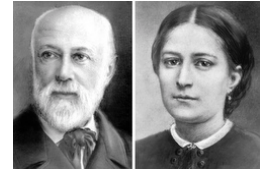
- 1 **Bl. John Pelingotto**, Confessor, Third Order Secular (1240-June 1, 1304)
- 2 **St. Felix of Nicosia**, Friar, Order of Friars Minor Capuchin (November 5, 1715-May 31, 1787)
- 3 **Bl. Andrew of Spello**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor (November 30, 1194-June 3, 1254)
- 5 **Bl. Pacific of Cerano**, Priest, First Order Franciscans (1424-June 4, 1482)
- 7 **Bl. Humiliana Cerchi**, Third Order Secular (1219-May 19, 1246)
- 8 **Bl. Nicholas of Gèsturi**, Lay Brother, Order of Friars Minor Capuchin (August 4, 1882-June 8, 1958)
- 12 **Bl. Lucrezia Elena Cevoli**, Abbess, Capuchin Poor Clares November 11, 1685-June 12, 1767)
Bl. Yolanda of Poland, Poor Clare Nun (1235-June 11, 1298)
108 Polish Martyrs: Bl. Antoninus Bajewski, priest, and companions, martyrs (Pius Bartosik, Innocent Guz, Achille Puchala, Herman Stepien, priests; Timothy Troianowski, Boniface Zukowski, religious), 1 Ord.
- 13 **St. Anthony of Padua**, Priest, Doctor of the Church, Order of Friars Minor (August 15, 1195-June 13, 1231) Plenary Indulgence for cordbearers 
- 14 **Bl. Lawrence of Villamagna**, Priest, Third Order Regular (May 15, 1476-June 6, 1535)
- 16 **Bl. Anizet Koplin and Companions**, Priest and Martyrs of Nazi Persecution Bl. Henry Krystofik, Bl. Florian Stepniak, Bl. Fidelis Chojnaci, Blessed Symforian Duck, OFM Capuchin (1941-1942)
Bl. Marie-Therese Scherer, Foundress, Third Order Regular (October 31, 1825-June 16, 1888)
- 17 **St. Albert Chmielowski**, Third Order Secular, Founder, Brothers of the Third Order of Saint Francis, Servants to the Poor, Painter (August 20, 1845-December 25, 1916)
Bl. Peter Gambacorti, Confessor, Third Order Secular (1355-1435)
- 18 **Bl. Guy of Cortona**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor (d. May 12, 1250)
- 19 **Bl. Margaretha Flesch**, Foundress Franciscan Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Angels (February 24, 1826-March 25, 1906) 

- 20 **Bl. Micheline de Pesaro**, Third Order Secular (1300-1356)
Bls. Patrick O'Healy, Conrad O'Rourke, Conor O'Devany, and John Hearney, Friars Minor, Irish Martyrs
- 22 **St. Thomas More**, Martyr, Third Order Secular, Martyr of England (February 7, 1478-July 6, 1535)
- 23 **St. Joseph Cafasso**, Priest, Third Order Secular (January 15, 1811-June 23, 1860)
- 24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- 25 **Bl. Bienvenute de Gubbio**, Lay Brother, Order of Friars Minor (d. June 27, 1232)
Bl. Jutta of Thuringia, Third Order Secular, d. 1264
- 26 **Bl. Andrew Hyacinth Longhin**, Bishop, Order of Friars Minor Capuchin (November 22, 1863-June 26, 1936)
Bl. Frederick Jassoone, Priest, Order of Friars Minor (November 19, 1838-August 4, 1916)
- 27 **St. Marguerite Bays**, Third Order Secular (September 8, 1815-June 27, 1879)
- 28 **St. Vincenta Gerosa**, Third Order Secular before founding another order (October 29, 1784-June 29, 1847)
- 30 **Bl. Raymond Lull**, Martyr, Third Order Secular (c. 1232-c. 1315)



JULY

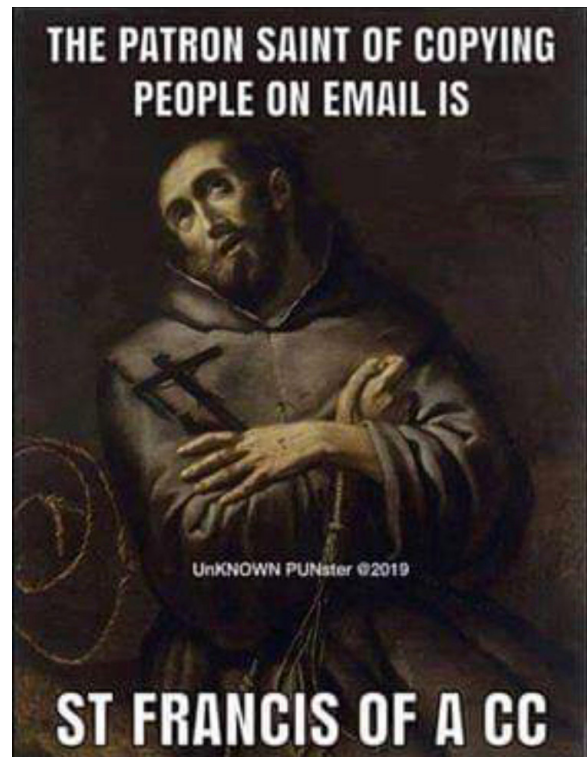
- 1 Feast of the Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ
Bl. Ignace Falzon, Confessor, Third Order Secular (July 1, 1813-July 1, 1865)
Blesseds Marcello Maruzzo, Friar OFM (23 July 1929 – 1 July 1981) and **Luis Navarro**, OFS (21 June 1950 – 1 July 1981), martyrs of Guatemala
St. Junipero Serra, Priest, Alcantarine Friars Minor (November 24, 1713-August 28, 1784)
- 3 **Bl. Marie Anne Fontcuberta**, Foundress, Third Order Regular (January 13, 1827-July 3, 1886)
- 4 **St. Elizabeth of Portugal**, Queen, Third Order Secular (1271-July 4, 1336)
Bl. Modestino of Jesus and Mary Priest, OFM of the Alcantarines (September 9, 1802-July 4, 1954)
- 7 **Bl. Oddino Barrotti**, Priest, Third Order Secular (1324-1400)
- 8 **St. Gregory Grassi**, Hermine Grivot and Companions, First Order and Third Order religious and Secular Franciscans, martyrs of China (d. 1900)
- 9 **St. Nicholas Pick**, priest, and companions, Martyrs of Holland, First and Third Order, d. 1572
- St. Veronica Giuliani**, Poor Clares Capuchin (December 27, 1660-July 9, 1727)
11 Martyrs of Damascus, Eight Franciscan Friars and Three Maronite Laymen (July 9, 1860)
Bl. Maria of Jesus Crucified Petković, Foundress, Third Order Regular (December 10, 1892-July 9, 1966)
- 12 **Sts. John Jones and John Wall**, First Order, Martyrs of England (c. 1530-1598; 1620-1679)
Sts. Louis and Zelig Martin, Third Order Secular, First spouses canonized together (parents of St. Therese of Lisieux)
- 13 **Bl. Angeline of Marisciano**, Foundress, Third Order Regular (1357-July 14, 1435)
- 14 **St. Francis Solano**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor, Missionary (March 10, 1549-July 14, 1610)
- 15 **St. Bonaventure of Bagnoregio**, Cardinal, Minister General Order Friars Minor, Doctor of the Church (1221-July 15, 1274)
Bl. Bernard of Baden, Third Order Secular (c. 1428-July 15, 1458)
- 16 **Canonization of St. Francis**, Canonized 16 July 1228 by Pope Gregory IX
St. Marie-Madeleine Postel, Foundress, Third Order Regular (November 28, 1756-July 16, 1846)
- 18 **St. Simon of Lipnica**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor (c. 1435-July 18, 1482)
St. Camillus de Lellis, Capuchin Novitiate before founding Ministers to the Sick (May 25, 1550-July 14, 1614)
- 19 **Bl. Herman Stepien**, First Order Conventual, Polish Martyr (October 21, 1910-July 19, 1943)
Bl. Peter of Cresci, Priest, Third Order Secular (d. July 19, 1323)
- 21 **St. Lawrence of Brindisi**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, Doctor of the Church (July 22, 1559-July 22, 1619)
- 23 **St. Cunegunda of Poland**, Abbess, Poor Clare Sisters (March 5, 1224-July 24, 1292)
- 24 **Bl. Louise of Savoy**, Poor Clare Nun (December 28, 1461-July 25, 1503)
Bl. Antoine Lucci, Bishop, OFM Conventual (August 2, 1682-July 25, 1752)
- 26 **St. Barthelemea Capitanio**, Third Order Secular before founding another order (January 13, 1808-July 26, 1833)



- 27 **Bl. Archangelo of Calatafimi**, Religious, Friars Minor of the Observance (d. 1460)
Bl. Mary Magdalene of Martinengo, Capuchin Poor Clare nun (October 5, 1687-July 27, 1737)
- 28 **St. Alphonsa of the Immaculate Conception**, Franciscan Clarist Congregation (August 19, 1910-July 28, 1946)
Bl. Mary Teresa Kowalska, Capuchin Poor Clares, martyr (d. 1941)
- 30 **Bl. Bertrand de la Tour**, Cardinal, Order of Friars Minor (c. 1262-1332)
Bl. Solanus Casey, Priest, OFM Capuchin (November 25, 1870-July 31, 1957)

AUGUST

- 2 **Feast of St. Mary of the Angels of the Portiuncula** Plenary indulgence available
- 4 **Bl. Frederic Janssoone**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor (November 19, 1838-August 4, 1916)
St. John Vianney, Priest, Third Order Secular (May 8, 1786-August 4, 1859)
- 6 **Bl. Marie-Francoise de Jesus**, Founder, Capuchin Sisters of Mother Rubatto (February 14, 1844-August 6, 1904)
- 7 **Bls. Agathangelus and Cassian**, Priests, OFM Capuchin, martyrs (d. 1638)
- 8 **Holy Father Dominic**, Founder of the Order of Preachers and Cordbearer (August 8, 1170-August 6, 1221)
- 9 **Bl. John of La Verna**, Religious, Order of Friars Minor (1250-August 9, 1322)
- 11 **St. Clare of Assisi**, Founder, Order of Poor Ladies (Poor Clares) (July 16, 1194-August 11, 1253)
- 13 **Bl. Marco of Aviano**, Priest, Order of Friars Minor Capuchin (November 17, 1631-August 13, 1699)
- 14 **St. Maximilian Kolbe**, Priest, OFM Conventual, martyr (January 8, 1894-August 14, 1941)
- 16 **Bl. Francis Chici of Pesaro**, Third Order Secular, hermit (d. 1350)
- 17 **St. Roch of Montpellier**, Confessor, Third Order Secular (c. 1295-August 16, 1327)



Websites of Interest

The Lord's Prayer by Sister Janet Mead
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5pPk1eBEjO8>
 Thank you Mark Ingraham

Beautiful high school choir
<https://www.facebook.com/choirbuzz/videos/10155874062913664/?v=10155874062913664>
 Thank you Bill Tubbs

We didn't have the green thing back then
<https://www.seniorsaloud.com/2013/01/we-didnt-have-green-thing-back-then.html>

Just beautiful!
https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=2491342544483700&id=100008239358943

Watch an eagle's nest live on Eaglecam
<http://www.outdoorchannel.com/live/eaglecam/326707/o?fbclid=IwAR2GgRetj-QbqZsWqTAfpNCCM8xl-D6uzjir6SurQWGaBlFC55OzZYlgyi4U>
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“Clare of God: A Spirituality for Our Time”

Presenters



Sr. Loretta Schaff, OSF, is a Sister of St. Francis of Philadelphia ministering in Portland, OR. She has been a member of her community for over 50 years. She has served the Secular Franciscan Order since 2011. She is presently a Regional Spiritual Assistant for Troubadours of Peace Region in the Pacific Northwest.

Sr. Loretta is blessed to have had the opportunities to serve as a musician, liturgist, and a graduate school professor as well as a Catholic chaplain at Lewis and Clark College for 12 years. She also is a spiritual director and a retreat facilitator. She was part of the Sacred Heart Province OFM Postulant Formation program in Portland, OR.

Sr. Loretta presently represents her community as a Trustee on the Board of CHI Franciscan Foundation, in Tacoma, WA. She has achieved a Bachelor of Music, a Masters in Liturgical Studies, and a Doctor of Ministry. She is a lover of God’s creation. She enjoys exercise walks, reading, dining, coloring, music, and being with family, friends and community. Her love of Clare has been nurtured through the blessing of three Franciscan Pilgrimages to Assisi.

Fr. John Petrikovic, OFM Cap., offers workshops and retreats on Franciscan topics, mission formation for Franciscan Health Systems and retreats for Religious Men and Women and clergy in the English-speaking world. He has preached parish missions & parish retreats throughout the United States.

Ordained a priest friar in 1981, he holds a BA in Counseling Psych (1975), an MA in Liturgical Theology (1980), an MA in Franciscan Studies from St. Bonaventure Univ. (1986), and an STL from Rome’s Pontifical *Antonianum* University in Spirituality. After teaching in the Religious Studies department at Borromeo Seminary of the Diocese of Cleveland for eight years, he was asked to take on various posts of education and administration for his Province of Capuchins.



Fr. John served as Vice Rector and Prefect of Studies at the *Collegio San Lorenzo*, the International House for Capuchin Franciscan friars from over 30 countries who are studying at Rome’s Universities (2004-2010); he also served as Liturgical Director there. A regular contributor to *Weekday* and *Sunday Homily Helps* for *Franciscan Media* (formerly *St. Anthony Messenger Press*) for over 30 years, Fr. John is now in his eighth year as a full-time Minister of the Word.

An avid musician who plays keyboards and has animated Liturgies for both National and International Franciscan gatherings, he is a staff member of the [Franciscan Pilgrimages Program](#), offering Franciscan communities, Franciscan health care systems and educational institutions an experience of the places from which the charism of Sts. Francis and Clare of Assisi emerged and thrived. Fr. John is the Province’s *Webfriar* for [capuchin.com](#).

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Tentative Schedule

Thursday - July 11, 2019

12:00-3:45 PM – Registration (*Christian Hall*)

4:00 PM – Opening Mass (*Immaculate Conception Chapel*)

5:00 PM – Dinner (*Torvian Dining Hall*)

6:30 PM – Session 1: Welcome / introductions / overview / night prayer (*Chapel*)

8:30 PM – Social (*Christian Hall*)

Friday – July 12, 2019

8:00 AM – Breakfast (*Torvian*)

9:00 AM – Transport to St. Francis Friary, Heritage Room

9:15 AM – Morning prayer

9:30 AM – Session 2: Clare’s Story – Sr. Loretta

11:30 AM – Break

12:00 noon – Lunch - catered (*Heritage Room*)

1:30 PM – Session 3: Clare’s Life – Fr. John

3:00 PM – Break / Transport to campus

4:00 PM – Mass (*Chapel*)

5:00 PM – Dinner (*Torvian*)

6:30 PM – Evening prayer (*Chapel*)

7:00 PM – Session 4: Clare’s Legacy – Sr. Loretta (*DiSepio*)

8:30 PM – Social (*Christian Hall*)

Saturday – July 13, 2019

8:00 AM – Breakfast (*Torvian*)

9:15 AM – Morning prayer (*DiSepio*)

9:30 AM – Session 5: Clare’s Call – Fr. John

11:30 AM – Break

12:00 noon – Lunch (*Torvian*)

2:00 PM – Session 6: Clare’s Heritage – Fr. John (*DiSepio*)

3:30 PM – Break

4:00 PM – Mass: Sunday (vigil) liturgy (*Chapel*)

5:00 PM – Dinner (*Torvian*)

6:30 PM – Session 7: Clare’s Prayer: Gaze, Consider, Contemplate – Sr. Loretta (*Chapel*)

8:30 PM – Social (*Christian Hall*)

Sunday - July 14, 2019

8:00 AM – Breakfast (*Torvian*)

9:15 AM – Morning prayer (*DiSepio*)

9:30 AM – Session 8: Reflections / evaluations / closing prayer

10:00 AM – Check out of Christian Hall (residential attendees)

12:00 noon – Lunch (*Torvian*) and Departure

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From Northwestern Pennsylvania: Take **I-79 to Rt. 422 East** to Ebensburg. In town, turn left at the traffic light onto High Street. Continue straight at next light. Turn left on to Manor Road. Saint Francis University is six miles on the right.

From Cleveland (Ohio area): Take **Ohio Turnpike East to I-80 East**. Take **I-680 South to Route 422 East** (approximately 120 miles) to Ebensburg. In town, turn left at the traffic light onto High Street. Continue straight at next light. Turn left on to Manor Road. Follow this road for six miles to the Saint Francis University entrance on right.

From Southwestern PA and Southeast Ohio: Take **Route 22 East** from Pittsburgh to second Ebensburg exit (Ebensburg/Loretto exit). Bear right at end of exit ramp. Proceed straight (crossing over Route 22). Turn right at the first light on to Manor Road. Follow this road for six miles to the Saint Francis University entrance on right.

From Northeastern PA/Central New Jersey: Take **I-80 South to I-80 West to Exit 161** (Bellefonte). Take **US99/Rt. 220 South** approximately 50 miles to Altoona. Take **Rt. 22 West** to Lilly/Portage Exit. Turn right onto **Rt. 53 North**. Continue on Rt. 53 North approximately two miles to traffic light (Sheetz on left). Turn left at light and continue beneath railroad overpass. 200 yards beyond overpass, bear right at Saint Francis University sign onto St. Joseph Street. Take this road four miles to Loretto. At Village Cross monument on traffic circle, bear left. Saint Francis University entrance is 200 yards on left.

From Southeastern PA, Baltimore, MD, and Washington, D.C.: Take **PA Turnpike (I-76) West to Bedford Exit 146 (220 North/I-99 North)**. Turn left after toll booth. At top of hill, turn left onto **US99/Rt. 220 North** to Altoona. Travel approximately 30 miles to Rt. 22 West. Continue from Altoona -- previous paragraph.

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General Information

- Registration /room check-in begins at 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 11 at Christian Hall.
- Check out time is 10:00 AM, Sunday, July 14.
- Early arrivals on Thursday can purchase lunch at Torvian Dining Hall (not included in residential room rate).
- All rooms have a bathroom; linens and towels are provided.
- If you need a hair dryer, bathrobe, umbrella, iron, or other amenity, please bring those with you.
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- Shuttle service is provided to/from residence hall, dining hall, and conference center for all attendees.

Air Transportation Information:

Please note: No transportation to/from airports is provided by the Seminar. We recommend flying into one of the following options and driving to campus.

- Johnstown Regional - JST (25 mi.)
- Altoona-Blair County – AOO (30 mi.)
- University Park (State College, PA) – UNV (73 mi.)
- Pittsburgh International - PIT (100 mi.)

Other questions about the Seminar?

Contact Fr. Joe Lehman, TOR
(814) 472-3054 (daytime) or e-mail
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REGISTRATION

-  **RESIDENT** registration fee includes residence hall room and all meals beginning with Thursday dinner
-  **COMMUTER** registration fee does not include room or meals
-  Payment must accompany this form and is **NON-REFUNDABLE AFTER JUNE 15, 2019**
-  **Register before June 1st** to receive a \$25 discount on the RESIDENT registration fee
-  **Absolutely no registrations accepted after Monday, June 24th**

REGISTRATION LIMITED TO 100 PARTICIPANTS

First Name _____		Last Name _____	
Fraternity _____		Region _____	
Address _____	City _____	State _____	Zip _____
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RESIDENT (ON CAMPUS) REGISTRATION - Accommodations in Christian Hall

- ☐ Single Room **\$305** /After June 1, 2019 registration is **\$330** per person

NOTE: LIMITED NUMBER OF SINGLE ROOMS AVAILABLE

- ☐ Double Room **\$245** /After June 1, 2019 registration is **\$270** per person

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- ☐ I will need a roommate – match me up if you can

- ☐ I need an accessible room.

- ☐ **COMMUTER REGISTRATION** – (NO ROOM OR MEALS) @ **\$75** per person

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