

## **THE FLYER**

**NEWSLETTER FOR THE  
ST. JOSEPH CUPERTINO  
FRATERNITY OF THE  
SECULAR FRANCISCANS**



**September 19, 2021**

**Theme for the Year:**

***Love is Patient***

**(1 Cor 13:4)**

SanGiuseppe di Copertino  
Public domain, 18th century engraving

### **2019-2022 Council**

*Acting Minister:*

James Kim, OFS:  
443-458-3361

*Acting Vice Minister:*

Denise Donaldson, OFS:  
443-683-2538

*Acting Secretary:*

Jeanne Kerins, OFS  
410-227-6497

*Treasurer:*

Gerry Pinkas, OFS:  
410-655-2648

*Formation Director:*

Sherry Lewis, OFS:  
410-299-7144

*Councilor:*

Lita Maisel, OFS:  
lmaisel@shrineofstanthony.org

*Spiritual Assistant:*

Br. Lawrence LaFlamme,  
OFM Conv.:  
410-485-5000

***Md/Pa Area Councilor:***

Jackie Holzel, OFS  
holzel@yahoo.com

*Newsletter Editor:*

Deanna Williston, OFS  
jtwillis@aol.com

*Production Assistant:*

Ray Glennon, OFS  
ray.glennon@1972.usna.com

*Bible quotes are from the  
Douay-Rheims translation,  
unless otherwise noted.*

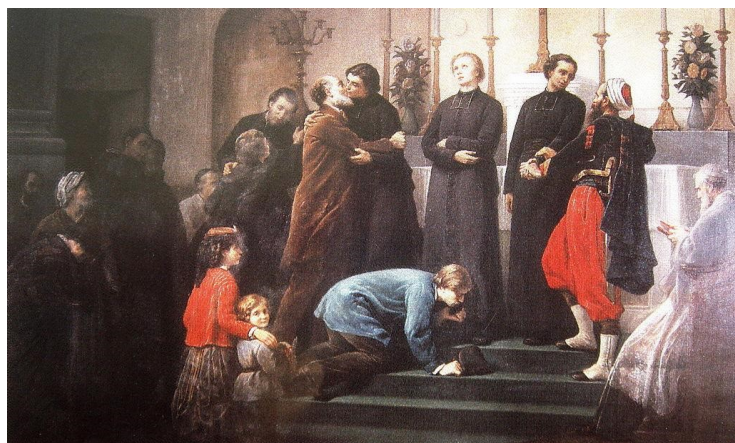
### **Minister's Message** by James Kim, OFS

In the Korean Catholic Church, September is traditionally remembered as a month of martyrs. September 20th is a memorial day of St. Andrew Kim Taegon (priest) and 102 companions, including St. Laurent Imbert (bishop) and nine priests and bishops from the Paris Foreign Mission Society and ninety-two Korean laypersons. Through the 1700s and 1800s in Korea, more than 10,000 martyrs died in persecutions.

During September, maybe because of this tradition, I used to think of the martyrs from all over the world in Catholic history. At the end of September, we celebrate the feast of St. Michael of Archangels, who has defeated the devil (see Rev: 12). It is also the time period which we Catholics, typically Franciscans, observe as the second (St. Michael's) Lent that begins from the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. So, September has been a good time for me to meditate on the ways of our Holy men and women who laid down their lives for the Lord.

I would like to briefly summarize the life of St. Andrew Kim Taegon. Andrew was born in 1821, to a Catholic family. His father (St. Ignatius Kim) was martyred while Andrew was in seminary school in Macau. During this time, the tensions between the Western countries and China escalated; the Portuguese controlled Macau. After being ordained in Shanghai, China, Andrew secretly entered Korea with St. Antoine Daveluy (bishop). Months later, Andrew was arrested, as Catholic faith was banned at that time. Government officials, however, found that he was an intelligent young man with profound knowledge in Eastern and Western cultures. He was also fluent in Western languages. Officials began to persuade him to make him give up Catholic faith, and offered a high government position to use his talent. However, all these were not in his way, and he wished to die for Jesus. He was persecuted on September 16, 1846, at the age of 25, with St. Laurent Imbert (bishop) and Holy laypersons. It was thirteen months after his ordination... (*cont. p2*)

(cont. From p1) The Office Reading of the Liturgy of Hours includes St. Andrew Kim's letter on September 20th (Second Reading), which was written while he was in jail awaiting his persecution. It is also found at: (<http://www.liturgies.net/saints/andrewkimtaegon/readings.htm#loh>). He wrote: "as the Scriptures say, God numbers the very hairs of our head and in his all-embracing providence He has care over us all. Persecution, therefore, can only be regarded as the command of the Lord or as a prize he gives or as a punishment he permits. Hold fast, then, to the will of God and with all your heart fight the good fight under the leadership of Jesus; conquer again the diabolical power of this world that Christ has already vanquished."



"Le Depart" (1868) by Charles Louis de Fredy de Coubertin depicts missionaries of the Paris Foreign Mission Society leaving for the East.

## Denise Donaldson, OFS

### In the News!

The Catholic Review recently featured our sister Denise's story about the horrors of 9/11 and how the events of that day reconnected her with her Catholic faith. Check out the article in print or at: <https://catholicreview.org/terror-of-9-11-reconnected-hunt-valley-parishioner-with-faith/>

### Our Deceased

#### Brothers & Sisters:

Connie Baker, OFS

Frances Bastress, SFO

Dea. Tom Bellos, OFS

Joe Bezila, SFO

Mary Chandler, OFS

Jerry Cichowicz, SFO

Shirley Costello, OFS

Joe Cykoski, SFO

Stella Cykoski, SFO

Claire Lee Davidson, SFO

Adela Duff, SFO

Donna Duncan, SFO

Charles Ferrara, SFO

Mary Ferrara, SFO

Dolores Fritz, OFS

Marilyn Gilson, SFO

Richard Hall, SFO

Joy Kubricky, OFS

Frances Langbehn, SFO

Bob Lewis, SFO

Marie Lindung, OFS

Jean Manning, OFS

Jim Manning, OFS

Georgianna Papazian, OFS

Yvonne Proch, SFO

Nancy Seaton, SFO

Don Sweitzer, OFS

Betty Taylor, SFO

Bud Tenley, SFO

Regina Yeager, SFO

Dorothy Zalewski, SFO



### The Wild Goose is on the Loose!

The Ministry of the Wild Goose has a new home—on your computer, phone, and tablet! You can now stream all of their free content such as: Metanoia, The Wild Goose, Jesus and the Dead Sea Scrolls, and various documentaries such as The Wealth of Poverty, St. Francis of Assisi: A Sign of Contradiction, Redeemed in Suffering, and more. Look for the app, download, create a password, and prepare yourself for the Holy Spirit.

August – 2021

Beginning (running) Balance:	\$3586.60
Common Fund Contributions	\$ 325.00
Total Income	<u>\$ 325.00</u>
Intermediate Subtotal	<u>\$ 3911.60</u>
Expenses:	
Spiritual Assistant	\$ 100.00
Franciscan Friars	\$ 100.00
Total Expense	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
Ending (running) Balance:	<u>\$ 3,711.60</u>

**Thank You from the whole fraternity!**

The average contribution per person estimate for 2021 should be \$156 per year.

**Contributions are Tax Deductible.**

Direct Donation checks to:

**St. Joseph Cupertino Fraternity**

**Mail donations to:**

Gerard Pinkas  
3810 Marriottsville Rd.  
Randallstown, MD 21133

**You may use your bank's BILL PAY.** Direct payment to:

**St. Joseph Cupertino Fraternity c/o address above.**

Contact Gerry with any bill pay questions.

“Wherefore, brethren, labour the more, that by good works you may make sure your calling and election. For doing these things, you shall not sin at any time.”

1 Peter 2:10

# Congratulations!

**On the Anniversary of Your Profession:**

Gerry Pinkas, OFS                      09/16/79  
42 Years!

# Happy Birthday!

Dawn Glennon, OFS	09/05
Bill Siefken, OFS	09/06
Pat Frederick, OFS	09/22
Melissa Reed-Konigsdorffer, OFS	09/24
Mike King, OFS	09/25
Jean Singleton, OFS	09/28

*Coming in October*

<i>Mimi Cox Owens, OFS</i>	<i>10/01</i>
<i>Bob Longo, OFS</i>	<i>10/06</i>
<i>Joanne Patton, OFS</i>	<i>10/08</i>
<i>Harry Ford, OFS</i>	<i>10/10</i>
<i>Lita Maisel, OFS</i>	<i>10/13</i>
<i>Michael Radcliffe, OFS</i>	<i>10/22</i>
<i>Theresa Heath, OFS</i>	<i>10/30</i>

**Please Pray for Healing for:**

Joan Babin, OFS  
Karan Bevers, OFS  
Louise Hotovy, OFS  
Mike Hotovy, OFS  
John Kirby, OFS  
Sherry Lewis, OFS  
Jean Singleton, OFS  
Jim Tebo, OFS  
Jerry Yu, OFS



## MOVED or Missing?

Please send any address, phone, or email changes to our sister, Jeanne Kerins, OFS  
(410) 227-6497 or jmkerins12@gmail.com.

## Thoughts on Scars and the Stations of the Cross

From Fr. Timothy Lyons, OFM Conv., St. Kateri Shrine Chaplain & Director

*(Since many of us are celebrating St. Michael's Lent, I thought I would share this article from Lent.)*

My dear friends, Holy Week is a time to look at our scars, especially our spiritual and emotional scars. Some scars we are proud of. These scars are witnesses to us being a hero or heroine. They are battle scars or scars from operations where disease or a malfunctioning body part has been removed. There are also scars that we hide with clothing or make-up because they may be the result of a mistake we foolishly made or a sign of where we have been physically hurt by another.

How unique that Lent is a time to search our minds and hearts and seek the scars that spiritually distance us from God or from one another. The Stations of the Cross have been the cure for centuries regarding removing spiritual scars for physical healing. [The reflections may not be in order, but let your meditations flow as you read along.] At the first station, we accuse ourselves of a disobedient act that has caused an emotional wall to be built by our own desire to protect ourselves. These walls seem to be built bigger and higher if someone else accuses us of an action, train of thought, desire, or an addiction to alcohol, drugs, or harmful sexual desires. Our Lord Jesus had no walls to keep him from God the Father's will. He accepted the wood of the cross of our sins. He was falsely accused, and he patiently, quietly knew that this negative situation would give birth to a positive outcome.

Our Lord fell three times on the road to Calvary. He fell and then he got back up. He didn't quit. I need to truthfully look at where I have been wrong, made a mistake, sinned or erred, and then given up. Do I complain that this is too hard or that no one is helping me or that I am justified by giving up? Simon of Cyrene was forced to help, do I refuse to be humbled and ask for help? Am I too proud to ask for forgiveness? Do I use another and not appreciate their time and effort and assistance?

Jesus meets His mother, Mary. His Blessed Mother is Our Mother. She so desires to remove all that keeps us from seeking God's will. If you have a situation you cannot conquer or a person with whom you are upset with or angry, take a moment to speak to Our Blessed Mother and name the problem or the person. Tell her what has happened. Tell Mary that you are placing this situation in her hands. And then let it go. If you find yourself thinking about this request again, it means that "you took it back." If so, give it back to Our Blessed Mother. Be comforted by her presence, as was Jesus.

Many times when we give up something negative in our lives, we may find ourselves falsely consoled by others. Others may tell us that we do not need to give that thing up: We really didn't drink that much or we really didn't hurt others with our lies, criticism, or negative comments. Jesus consoled the women of Jerusalem, but He did not listen to their words of false consolation. He knew what He needed to do to continue in the Father's will.

Jesus is stripped of His garments. For us, this is the most revealing station. Do I really want to take a good look at myself? How will I judge my spiritual nakedness? What am I hiding from God that causes me to not see the real person that He created in His image and likeness? ...*(cont. p5)*

(...cont. from p4) Jesus is nailed on the cross. It is then that He gives His mother to us, the church. It is then that we become His hands and His feet. What accusation, what negativity that I accused myself of at the first station do I want to bury in the tomb and walk away from? What human flaw keeps me from God? What sin builds a wall, stopping God's grace in my life? Do not be afraid. Allow God to replace this negative with His positive word or action.

The scars of St. Kateri, which she bore from age four, revealed her humanness from the virus of smallpox. She lived with these scars, recognized them, and saw the beauty of Jesus on the Cross. The negative became a positive, which led her to desiring to be a virgin for Christ. She bravely was not afraid to make her vow of virginity, which demanded isolation from her family and friends. She deeply desired to be the spouse of Christ, which allowed God's grace to influence her to seek God the Father's will in continual prayer.

Let the life of St. Kateri inspire us to live with our personal scars. Let these human faults which we accuse ourselves of lead us to follow her example of perseverance and if we fall, to not give up. See the scars as lampposts that light our way to Christ, who will lead us to God Our Father's will. Allow Our Blessed Mother to be our consoler and to continue to intercede for us to Jesus. Allow her to remove all that hinders our faith and trust in what God wants us to do and be. Our Lord Jesus, after the resurrection, greeted His disciples in the upper room and showed them His scars. Let the Holy Spirit continue to inspire you to not be afraid.

I invite all to view the picture of the Eucharist and the relic of St. Kateri from the friary here at the Shrine. As you can see from this picture, there is a basket in front of the relic of St. Kateri. I ask that you contact me if you would like to have me place a name or an intention in this basket. The first name that you desire St. Kateri's assistance in healing can be yourself, a family member, a friend. It can be a relationship healing, a forgiveness, an apology. It can be from physical or spiritual sickness, from fear, from a scar that you need healed.

I would like to fill this basket with your petitions. I would like to post this picture with your slips of paper to show how many responses we have for our faith in the Eucharist and our faith in the healing power of St. Kateri, who promised many times in her life to pray for others and especially to pray and assist others after her death. St. Kateri continues to heal today. Do not be afraid. Help me to fill this basket with your intentions. We may quickly fill this basket or it may take all summer. I say Mass on this altar daily and I will ask both Our Crucified Lord Jesus and St. Kateri to answer your requests.

### **Spiritual Communion Prayer:**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,

Come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there

And unite myself wholly to you.



## The Rule Review

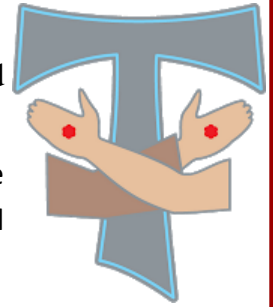
So that we might more fully live the Gospel Life, Secular Franciscans should not just read *The Rule*, but reflect on and pray with *The Rule*.

12. Witnessing to the good yet to come and obligated to acquire purity of heart because of the vocation they have embraced, they should set themselves free to love God and their brothers and sisters.

12. 회원들은 내세 행복의 증인으로서, 또 자신이 받아들인 성소 때문에도, 마음을 깨끗이 할 의무가 있습니다. 그래서 하느님과 형제들을 사랑하는 데 자기 자신이 자유롭게 될 것입니다.

The Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order (with citations) may be accessed at anytime at:

<https://secularfranciscansusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/RULE.pdf>



### The Shrine of St. Anthony



#### Special Events:

- 9/18 Back-to-School Mass (12-1 pm)
- 10/3 Blessing of the Animals (2-2:30 pm)
- 10/7 Our Lady of the Rosary (11:30am)
- 10/16 Wine at the Shrine (tickets)

**The Shrine Grounds & Courtyard** are open daily dawn till dusk.

If you have any questions please contact the Front Office at 410-531-2800; [www.shrineofstanthony.org](http://www.shrineofstanthony.org)

"St Anthony of Padua" by Walwyn is licensed under CC BY-NC 2.0, edited to fit

### **Book Club– Special Video Edition**

Join the online book club and delve more deeply into:  
**The Problem of Suffering: A Christian Response**  
by Inspiring Philosophy—Michael Jones

<https://www.facebook.com/inspiringphilosophy/videos/173127324615522>

Friends old and new meet on the first Saturday of every month from 1-3 pm on ZOOM!

Next meeting is Oct 2

Contact Geri Flynn for details: [Angelbarty@aol.com](mailto:Angelbarty@aol.com)

### UPCOMING GATHERING

#### ◆ September 19

- ◆ Meeting at 2pm, but consider joining us for Mass & bring your lunch to enjoy in the Glass Room or outside.
- ◆ Ray & Dawn Glennon will present on Worldwide Marriage Encounter
- ◆ Masks may be required as things are changing; please bring a mask with you & see Shrine safety protocols on website and phone numbers to the left.

### **The Franciscan Center**

We are looking for someone to step up and be an official liaison with the Franciscan Center. Duties would include being a point of contact, relating needs of the Center and its clients to the fraternity, submitting a monthly newsletter blurb, and transporting or arranging for the transport of donations. If interested, please contact

Jeanne Kerins at (410) 227-6497 or [jmkerins12@gmail.com](mailto:jmkerins12@gmail.com).