



The Little Flower Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order St. Margaret de Cortona Region

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

October 28, 2021

Fellow Secular Franciscans,

I am humbled, yet honored, to be elected as the Fraternity's newest Minister. We face many challenges in the days, months and years ahead. We are comforted by Jesus' promise to always be with us who follow him in the steps of St. Francis of Assisi. Let us pray for each other and for the good of the Fraternity.

The world, our nation, and sadly even our Church overflows with negative and horrible things. Problems — ours or other's — seem to shout for our attention. They can occupy more and more of our thinking, causing us to become weary and discouraged in our soul. But remember, we can, by God's grace, choose the subject of our thoughts. So, let us cry out to Jesus to be at the center of our thoughts and he will help each of us in our Franciscan walk.

Turn toward Jesus, letting his Light shine upon you. Do not be defeated by wrong choices you have made in the past and don't let past decisions define who you are in the present. Each moment provides a fresh opportunity to draw nearer to Jesus and live in his presence. One way to do this is to pray, "Jesus, I choose to seek You in the midst of my problems." Refuse to get discouraged, even if you have to say this hundreds of times daily. "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world," Jesus assures us. He is our true peace, he is our source of holiness, he is the only source of fulfillment of our Franciscan vocation.

Peace and all good,

Phil Pucher, OFS

New Council Elected October 9, 2021

Minister	Phil Pucher
Vice Minister	Al Gigel
Secretary	Beth Dykton
Treasurer	Lisa Gough
Formation Director	Joan Kane
Councilor-at-Large	Mike Huether
Councilor-at-Large	Gary Haigley
Councilor-at-Large	Kelly Frederick

We have a new home!!

Minister Phil Pucher has already been hard at work! He has successfully secured St. Francis of Assisi Church on Harford Road for our monthly Gatherings and Council Meetings!

Starting with our November Gathering on 11/13/2021 from 10AM to Noon we will be meeting IN PERSON at St. Francis Burke Hall. We will also provide a ZOOM link for anyone unable to attend in person.

The ZOOM info is:

<https://jhuapl.zoomgov.com/j/1612498331?pwd=Y2p4bFJZaHlxdElaeTFDM3NwUDcrZz09>

Meeting ID: 161 249 8331

Password: 748638

One tap mobile

+16468287666,,1612498331# US (New York)

Dial by your location

833 568 8864 US Toll-free

Meeting ID: 161 249 8331

Password: 748638



Please note: This hybrid method of both In-Person and ZOOM is still to be perfected. It may be a bit “clunky” at first until we get the kinks worked out. Thank you in advance for your patience.

ADDED BONUS: St. Francis has a Daily Mass at 9AM for anyone wishing to attend Mass before our Gathering.

What you need to know:

- Our monthly Gathering will be BYOB...Bring Your Own Breakfast/Beverage

Please be sure to bring whatever you wish to sip or eat during the Gathering. The Council will NOT be supplying any sort of refreshments each month.

HOWEVER, periodically, the Council will provide refreshments (Coffee, Donuts etc.) It will be stated in the Newsletter when this will occur.

- St. Francis Burke Hall is easily accessible for walkers/rollators/wheelchairs.
- The Harford Road bridge just North of the church is in the final stages of the bridge replacement project. As of this writing, that part of the road is still closed. Please make sure to plan your route accordingly.

And there is MORE GOOD NEWS!

We have an upcoming Profession!

Theresa Knauff

Saturday, December 11, 2021

9AM Mass

St. Francis of Assisi Church

Brunch Reception to follow in Burke Hall

RSVP will be required (details to follow)

**MARK YOUR
CALENDARS!**



The key to our success is COMMUNICATION

If you are in need of prayers for yourself or an immediate family member,
please make sure to contact our Infirmarian

Helen Tumminello

Phone 410-859-8343 (Preferred)

e-mail: hlcave@outlook.com

Helen will then get out an e-mail and make phone calls with the information.

A little bit of homework for everyone – please keep our contact information in a place with your Will and/or final wishes so that your loved ones can notify us at the appropriate time.



Agenda for Gathering Saturday, November 13, 2021

- Liturgy of the Hours (details provided at the Gathering and roles assigned)
Reading of all the deceased members of our Fraternity during our Intercessions
as a Remembrance of All Souls.
- Presentation by new Minister, Phil Pucher, of his vision, goals and objectives of our Fraternity
- ...and a whole bunch of other good stuff!

Little Flower News Reel

Birthday Celebrant:

November

Ann German	November 24
Kathleen Hale	November 24

Profession Anniversaries:

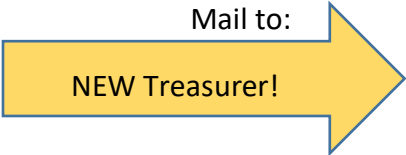
November

None

Charity for October and November:

Christmas Family – St. Vincent de Paul at St. Joseph Fullerton Parish in Memory of Kitty Davis

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