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Hackensack, NJ

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Fraternity Gathering: Thursday, January 12, 2016 in the Church Hall for Evening Prayer at 7:30 PM

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This Month:

Please bring your Rosary

Special program this month dedicated to the Blessed Mother

You still have one more month to borrow and read THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL

WE WOULD LIKE TO SEND IN A PARTIAL PAYMENT FOR OUR FAIR SHARE IN JANUARY.
PLEASE SEE TONY BUDA TO MAKE YOUR DONATION—THE FULL FAIR SHARE IS STILL \$40.00.
CANDIDATES SHOULD ALSO CONTRIBUTE.

PLEASE BE SURE TO SUBMIT YOUR EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION! (SEE LAURA)

WINTER PROJECT FOR THE HOMELESS CONTINUES

Sweet Reminder: Pat Franz and Angie Mariniello
Closing Prayer: Pat Franz

HEALTH AND WELFARE: Karen Ferrari and Fam.; Marguerite Cox; Marie Sortino; Maria Terranova; Virginia Franco; Alice LeForest; Polanco Family; Eileen Ferrara; Anna Licameli; Pat Franz; Joanne Tumminia; Harry Henky

Special intentions F. Cavallo. M. Sortino, Tumminia Family, J. Coralluzzo; T. Gassenheimer; K. Ferrari; Pat Moclair; Diane Menditto

Family Members: Eddie Nash; Michael Ferrari; David Ferrari; Ed McManus; Fr. Sylvester; Chelsea Rose Ferrara; Licamelli Family; Patricia Davis; Fr. Damian Colicchio; Vincenzo Quasarano; Rosangela Tumminia; Fr. Pius; LoBue Family; Baby Ryan LoMuscio; Stefani Pedone; Joe Savoia; Sara Tripodi; Karen (Lucy's niece); Mariano Ortiz; Liz Cox; Charlie Zoccoli; Rosemarie Henky; Franz Family; Kara Travers

Rest in Peace: Lola Santos (Jackie Taveras's mom) and Marguerite Phillips (Marguerite Cox's daughter)

Treasurer's Report

<u>Common Fund</u> \$ 1482.42 Balance + 679.00* Income \$ 2161.42 - 715.79 Expenses** \$ 1,445.63 <small>* Raffle income & donations</small> <small>**Frat. Debit card; Mass card; reimbursements</small>	<u>Good & Welfare</u> \$ 335.50 - \$150.00 (Donation to elevator fund)	***Fair Share 2016-\$40.00 Fair Share donations so far: \$245 toward total of \$1,360.00 <u>Candidates also contribute</u> <u>toward Fair Share.</u>
	<u>Spiritual Life Fund Bal:</u> \$102	

STATUE OF OUR LADY: Jan: Tony and Laura; Feb: Mimma L.; Mar: Natale; Apr: Joe C.; May: Polancos; June: Lucy; Jul: Domenica P.; Aug: Ferrara's; Sept: Jackie; Oct: Cono; Nov: Angie; Dec: Karen.

BIRTHDAYS: Jan. 7: L. Stamilla; 20: R. Romano; 27: E. Atwood; Feb. 10: E. Ferrara; 24: K. Ferrari

Correspondence: Thank you letter received from **Bergen County Human Services** for our donations—"Your compassion and continued generosity supports the Center and its guests in the daily effort toward rebuilding lives and regaining hope." Christmas "love and blessings" from **Marie Sortino**; Christmas greetings from **Fr. Brian**; **Fr. Francisco** remembered us at Christmas Mass—we are always in his prayers.

Apostolate of Prayer: Please pray for those on the **PRAYER LIST** and for their intentions.

Mark Your Calendar:

January gathering: Bring your rosary for a special evening of prayer.

February gathering: Discussion on Joy of the Gospel. Take one of the books home to read!

Please start thinking about those whom you would like to nominate to hold Regional Offices.

Council Members: ** Council meeting January 23 at 7 PM **

Formation Class January 12th at 5:00 PM. Anyone interested in having a "refresher course" may attend formation classes. Your input and example is part of the formation process!

WINTER
PROJECT FOR
THE HOMELESS

DONATE NEW
HATS, GLOVES,
WHITE SOCKS,
SCARVES,
EARMUFFS
& SMALL
TOILETRIES
for
MEN, WOMEN,
& CHILDREN

FOR THE
SHELTER IN
HACKENSACK

Apostolate of Prayer list January, 2017

Holy Father's Intentions for January

Christian Unity: That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

Mary B.	David Ferrari	Joan & Nick	James & Lola Norton Fam.	Peggy Southwell
Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI	Karen Ferrari (sp. int.)	Deacon Joe's Intentions	OLTA Region & REC	Hannah Kateri Spear
Zolla Blacio	FERRARI FAM. INTENTIONS	Dan & Sandy Kaiser	Brian O'Regan.	SPIRITUAL FIGURES/LEADERS
Pete Blake.	Bob & Patty Fitzsimmons	Kate's sister	Brian & Lynn Ortale Fam..	St. Anne's Frat. Ints.
BLESSING BOARD INTS.	Flood and fire victims	Violetta Kos	PAGE FAMILY INTENTIONS	St. Francis Youth
Hal Bloom	Flora's intentions	Lamar	Padre Pio Pr. Grps. Int.	St. Anthony of Padua Frat Ints
Lois Bono	+Fr. Benet Fonck OFM	Shawn Leddy & Family	Marie Palazzone	St. Jos. Maint. Dept.
BOYCE FAMILY INTS.	Robert Fox..	Alice LeForest	+Renee Pass	St. Thomas More Frat. ints.
Fr. Brian	Pope Francis	Mary Anne Lenzi	Joe Pasquenza	Jen Stepanek.
BROS. & SISTS. OF PRAYER	Fr. Francisco, OFM Cap.	Anna Licamelli	Stefani Pedone	St. John Vianney intents.
Amanda (family)	Virginia Franco	Licamelli Family Intentions	Maria Pedreiro (family)	Stigmata Friars
Mary B.	Franz Family	Rosemary LoCascio	Josephine Pedulla..	Tara Suplicki
Dolores Bruno..	Pat Franz	Baby Ryan LoMuscio	PF	Donald Sutton.
Carmela Barbieri Buda.	FRAZZA FAMILY INTS.	Norma Long	+Marguerite Phillips (family)	Fr. Sylvester
Silvio Buda Family.	Bro. Freddy	Toni LoSquadro	+Michael Piccialo	Tau Cross Region (all ints.)
Cathy Champion	Anne Gadoury	Diane M.	Ron Pihokker	Maria Terranova
Christianne Champon	Frank Gallitano	Dolly M.	Linda Pinto (sp. int.)	Greg Thweatt..
Angelo & Rose Cincotta..	Trudy Gassenheimer (sp. int.)	Madden & Tillson	POOR CLARE prayer list	Ramona Torres
Paul & Lucille Clapps	Genaro and Alicia	Carl & Kathy Magnifico	Terrence Pridmore	Kara Travers
Fr. Damian Colicchio	Carol Gentile	Marianne Maisano	PRIESTS, FRIARS & SISTERS	Silvio & Rachel Travia Family.
Colleen.	Tom Gentile	Ed Malin	PUBLIC FIGURES	William Turner Family.
Joe Coralluzzo's ints.	GEORGE FAMILY INTS.	MARIE'S PRAYER INTS.	Regina Pacis (all ints.)	Victims of terrorism
Marguerite Cox	Vincent & Maria Giambona, Sr.	Jackie Marlow.	Region sp. Int.	Victims of violence and families
Lee D'Arminio	Nance Gorni (ints.)	Mary Therese and daughter	+Joseph Reilly	Gerard & Ruth Villemaire.
May D'Arminio	Greg and Lois	Shirley Meacham.	Ada Rivera's intentions	Lois Viola
Dave (Helen)	Linda & Tim Griffith	Charlie Mechanic.	Caitlin Roach & family	Diane Vitale
Deacon Joe's group int.	Carlos & Rosa Guerrero	Joe Mellone	Maddi Romaine	Marilyn Wagner
Development Office Intentions	Sally Haddad	Theresa Mellone	Keith Roy.	Bill & Carmel Watson Fam.
+Helen DeVincentis (family)	Nancy Haskell.	Robert Menditto	Bill Salandi	Barbara Robb Whalen..
Diane (Sp. int.)	Elaine Hedtke	Middle Eastern Christians	Baby Sam.	Katherine Wobby.
Divine Mercy Fraternity Ints.	Rosemarie Henky (Harry)	MILITARY: LIVING & DECEASED	Ilene & Neil Samuels..	Anna Z.'s sp. intentions
+Rose Dobler	Ralph & Frances Henry..	Misty's ints.	San Damiano Frat. Ints.	Rachel Zagaria
Dolores's Intentions	The Homeless & the Lonely	Pat Moclair (Sp. Int.)	+Lola Santos	Charlie Zoccoli
Dorcas	Hospital Intentions	MOG lapsed and excused	Deidre Scarpulla	
Doreen	Rose Ingoglia	Mother Seton grp. Ints.	Lyn Scheuring	
Marie Dragan	Inquirers and Candidates	MS intentions	Pino Scordo.	
Efrain	IPRAY INTENTIONS	NEC	Andrew Shontz.	
Edwin Fehrs.	Iraqi and Coptic Christians	NFC	John & Mary Smythe.	
Ehan Fehrs.	Jill	Mike Nichols	Linda Solis	
FB friends	Jill	Doug Noble	Marie Sortino	

"Rebuild My Church"



We have heard the message of our Lord and Savior just as St. Francis did while praying in front of the San Damiano Cross.

And so, we Pray:

IN THE NAME OF
THE FATHER, Our Creator,
THE SON, Our Savior,
THE HOLY SPIRIT, Our Sanctifier...

ABBA, FATHER! Thank You for the gift of our life and the wonders of Your creation.

We ask You to inflame the hearts of our brothers and sisters,
especially the young, to "Seek Your Face."

LORD JESUS, You are our Shepherd. We thank You for showing us the way,
for taking up the cross and conquering death.
May we have the grace necessary to take up Your cross

in order to bring back the members of our Catholic family who have strayed from the church.

O HOLY SPIRIT, may we be strengthened by the knowledge that
You will always be with us.

We pray for Our Holy Father, the clergy, religious and lay people.
Inspire and strengthen all of us so that through our prayers, love and sacrifices,
we may be able to reach out to our brothers and sisters and bring them back to the fold.

Only with Your help can we Rebuild Your Church
so that, united, we may praise You forever.

We ask all this through the Intercession of our Blessed Mother, St. Francis, St. Clare and all Your Saints. Amen

The Blessed Mother in our Lives as Secular Franciscans

THANK YOU TO *ANGIE MARINIELLO* FOR THIS MONTH'S ONGOING FORMATION PRAYER EXPERIENCE!

Rule: Article 9

The Virgin Mary, humble servant of the Lord, was open to his every word and call. She was embraced by Francis with indescribable love and declared the protectress and advocate of his family¹. The Secular Franciscans should express their ardent love for her by imitating her complete self-giving and by praying earnestly and confidently

Constitutions: Article 16

1. Mary, Mother of Jesus, is the model of listening to the Word and of faithfulness to vocation; we, like Francis, see all the gospel virtues realized in her.
The brothers and sisters should cultivate intense love for the most holy virgin, imitation, prayer, and filial abandonment. They should manifest their own devotion with expressions of genuine faith, in forms accepted by the Church.
2. Mary is the model of fruitful and faithful love for the entire ecclesial community.
Secular Franciscans and their fraternities should seek to live the experience of Francis, who made the Virgin the guide of his activity. With her, like the disciples at Pentecost, they should welcome the Spirit to create a community of love.



Scripture for this Month (*Don't forget to pass along your favorite passages!*)

Some of the passages offered below for reflection come from our members. Use them for your meditation on Scripture this month. When you look for those passages in the Bible, ***try to read the verses or paragraphs that come before or after for a fuller meditation.***



Scripture: Matthew 14: 31; Luke 8:25; John 5:44; 2 Timothy 1:8-14

Lectio Divina (*A little review*)

- Read [*Lectio*] (Read the scripture passage TWICE)
- Reflect [*Meditatio*] (Think about the passage—Which words stand out?—What is God telling us?)
- Respond [*Oratio*] (Allow our hearts to respond to God. We pray over the Scripture passages in silence.)
- Rest [*Contemplatio*] (We put aside our own thoughts and listen with our hearts to the message of the scripture passage. We are gradually transformed by the message. What is our response to God?)

~~PLEASE ALSO SEE THE ENCLOSED LETTER WHICH WILL BE SENT OUT TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE REGION IN THE EMAIL VERSION OF THE TROUBADOUR. EVEN IF YOU DON'T HAVE EMAIL, I WANTED YOU TO HAVE A COPY!!~~ [CLICK HERE TO READ THE LETTER!](#)
