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LOOK

Collection of new hats, gloves, scarves and socks for the shelter begins again this month!

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To Join Zoom meeting if necessary

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84780770831?pwd=sc0FGmnU2aKyZ0Xy0AoD7Bwsl639BA.1>
Meeting ID:
847 8077 0831
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**6:30 PM
Church Hall
Enter on
Holt Street**

The Cord

St. Francis Fraternity
Hackensack, NJ



FRATERNITY GATHERING IN THE CHURCH HALL
On Thursday, November 13, 2025 at 6:30 PM (gather Church Hall)
7 PM Profession Mass for Josephine Cigna in church

This Month: Profession of Josephine Cigna
Every member should be present for this very special event.

We will give out the gift tags for the children of the Hearts Program.
Please take at least one, maybe two tags.

Please see page 4 for information about upcoming projects and events

- Leader Evening Prayer: No Evening Prayer due to Mass
- Closing Prayer: Closing prayer at Mass
- Sweet Reminder: Special treats for our celebration
- Clean up Helpers: Dawn, Ken, and Laura

Health and Welfare: Polanco fam.; Pat Franz; Angie Mariniello; Anthony Vasile; Cono Spinelli & Fam.; Iris Campillo; Ed Atwood; Laura; Ken
Special Intentions: Tumminia family; P. Moclaire; D. Menditto
Family Members: Sara Tripodi, Ryan L.; Kathleen McGee, Cheyenne Travers; Jan Parker; Rosa Daddario (Pam's mom); Angela Panuccio; James McSweeney; John Casale; Frances Caruso (Domenica's niece); Vincenzo Demaio; Maria Rosaria & family; Filomena Savoia; Cathy Champon; Anna Panuccio, Joe Panuccio; Joanne Tumminia; Calogero DiMaggio

For the Repose of the Soul of: **Harry Henky.** We remember Harry fondly. He served as Formation Director and Minister of our fraternity.

Apostolate of Prayer: Please pray for those on the [PRAYER LIST](#) and for their intentions.

Statue of Our Lady: **November:** Alicia; **December:** Rosellina

BIRTHDAYS:
November 5: Joe Coralluzzo; **10:** JoAnn Rean; **12:** Alicia Arana; **18:** Alessandra Panuccio;
December 6: Pam Swords; **12:** Fr. Prem; **23:** Migdania Polanco; **29:** Joanne Tumminia

Correspondence:

Calendar:
+Book Club November **WEDNESDAY, November 19th** at 8PM on Zoom. Chapters 2, 3, and 4.
+Collection of new hats, gloves, scarves and socks for the shelter has begun!



Apostolate of Prayer list November 2025
For the health and wellbeing of our members and families
Please keep our Inquirers, and Candidate in your prayers

Holy Father's Prayer intentions for November-- For the prevention of suicide: Let us pray that those who are tempted to commit suicide might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

Dianne Ambrose	Gabriel	Bill and Anne Mulqueen	St. Jos. Maint. Dept.
Fr. Bill Arlia, OFM Cap	Marie Faccone	Nan	St. Thomas More Frat. ints.
Aspirants, Inquirers & Cands	Genaro and Alicia	Nancy	Lucy Stamilla
Ed Atwood and fam	Carol Gentile	NEC	Stigmata Prov Council & friars
Fr. John Aurilia, ofm Cap	GEORGE FAMILY INTS.	NEC intentions	Mary Stronach (Bob)
Luis Bañuelos	Fr. Giles	Fr. Nick (sp. Int.)	Jack Studely
Beacon friars	Linda & Tim Griffith	NFC	Tara Suplicki
Zoila Blacio	+Carlos (Rosa) Guerrero	OLA Region	Syrian Christians and churches
Pete Blake.	Flora Hand	OLGEA prayer line ints. & REC	Tau Cross Region (all ints.)
BLESSING BOARD INTS.	Hank's intentions	PAGE FAMILY INTENTIONS	Cheyenne Travers
Br. Jay, OFM Cap.	Elaine Hedtke	Padre Pio Friary friars	Eileen Travers
BROS. & SISTS. OF PRAYER	+Harry Henky & Rosemarie	Padre Pio Pr. Grps. Int.	Kara Travers
Ralph Calise (Linda)	Ralph & Frances Henry.	Fr. Christopher Panagoplos, TOR	Sara Tripodi
Pat Cantelmo	Holy Name Resp. Care Dept.	Angela Panuccio	Maria Trovini
Caroline and family	The Homeless & the Lonely	Anna Panuccio	Ukraine (all intentions)
John Casale	Hospital Intentions	Domenico Panuccio	USA
Josephine Cavallo (family)	Trevor Howe	Joe Panuccio	Anthony Vasile
CIOFS Formation Secretariat	Howie	Jan Parker	Marie Vasta (All intentions)
Cathy Champon	Hurr, flood, fire, and earthq victs	Paul and Sean (sp. int.)	Victims of abuse
Church in Nicaragua	Immigrant & refugee children	PEACE	Victims of fires, floods, storms
Lucille Clapps	IPRAY INTENTIONS	+Stefani Pedone (Serafina and fam.)	Victims of gun violence
Colleen.	Iraqi and Coptic Christians	Fr. Robert Pérez, OFM Cap.	Victims of terrorism
Madge Cooke	Josh	Perú	Victims of violence & hatred
Joe Coralluzzo's ints.	Ryan L.	POOR CLARE prayer list	Viv and hub
Steven Cornfield	Lapsed OFS members	Pope Leo XIV	Vocations
Ronnie Crispino	Larry	John and Marianne Previty	Bill & Carmel Watson Fam.
Denise Cubita	Laura	PRIESTS, FRIARS & SISTERS	Carol Wickersheim
Sara (Rosa) Daddario (Pam)	Muriel Lechenbusch	PUBLIC FIGURES	Willie
May D'Arminio	Peggy Ledger	Jo Puglisi	Fr. Robert Williams, OFM Cap
Deacon Joe's group int.	Bro. Lombardo (sp. Int.)	Q committee	Victor York
Deceased family members	Madge (Sp. intention)	REC	Anna Z's sp. intentions
Giuseppa Demaio	+Carl Magnifico (Kathy and fam.)	Regina Pacis (all ints.)	Pat Zingone
Vincenzo Demaio	Patti Makely (Joe)	Region sp. Int.	
Eleanor DeRiso	Dcn. Joe Mantineo (Misty)	Ada Rivera's intentions	
Anne DeRose (Joan and Jane)	Sr. Margaret	RJ (family)	
Calogero DiMaggio	Angie Mariniello	Nelson Roman	
Disa (family)	Elide Marino	Roman Catholic Church	
Mark Diverio	Tom Mason (Vickie)	Maddie Romaine	
Divine Mercy Fraternity Ints.	Hank Meditz (Liz)	Maria Rosario (family).	
Dolores's Intentions	Fr. Meena (Sp. Int)	Madeline Rousseau	
Earthquake victims	Charity Menditto and fam	Baby Sam.	
Trish Endweiss	Diane Menditto (sp. Int.)	Debbie Saunders.	
Denise Erba (Joe, Matt)	Joseph M.	Filomena Savoia	
Bro. Alex Escalera, OFM Cap.	Michael M.	San Damiano Frat. Ints.	
Ken Farkas	Middle Eastern Christians	Fred Schaeffer, OFS	
FB friends/followers	MILITARY: LIVING & DECEASED	Peggy Southwell	
Karen Ferrari (sp. ints.)	Ministry of Caring	Frank Spina	
Maria Ficken	Misty's ints.	St. Anne's Frat. Ints.	
Bob Fitzsimmons (Patty and fam)	Pat Moclaire (Sp. Int.)	St. Francis Youth	
Flora's intentions	MOG lapsed and excused	St. Anthony of Padua Fraternity Ints	
Pat Franz	Jeanette Mortorano	St. Joan of Arc OFS Region	
FRAZZA FAMILY INTS.	Mother Seton Grp. Ints.	St. John Vianney frat.	



Profession in the Secular Franciscan Order

As we hear our sister say the words of Profession, let us keep in mind that this is also what WE said and promised at our Profession.

Questioning by the Celebrant

Celebrant: Before this fraternity and the other members of the People of God gathered here, I ask you to express your will. Do you wish to embrace the Gospel way of life by following the example and words of St. Francis of Assisi, which are at the heart of the Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order?

Candidate(s): YES, THIS IS WHAT I WANT.

Celebrant: You have been called to give witness to the Kingdom of God and to build a more fraternal world based on the Gospel, together with all people of goodwill. Do you wish to be faithful to this vocation and to practice the spirit of service proper to Secular Franciscans?

Candidate(s): YES, THIS IS WHAT I WANT.

Celebrant: You have been made (a) member(s) of the People of God by your Baptism, and strengthened in Confirmation by the new gift of the Spirit, in order to proclaim Christ by your life and your words. Do you wish to bind yourselves (self) more closely to the Church and to work intently to rebuild the ecclesial community and fulfill its mission among all people?

Candidate(s): YES, THIS IS WHAT I WANT.

Minister: The local fraternity is a visible sign of the Church, a community of faith and love. Together with all the members, you now pledge yourselves (self) to spend your efforts to make the fraternity a genuine ecclesial assembly and a living Franciscan community.

What did we promise at Profession?

I, Name _____, by the grace of God, renew my baptismal promises and consecrate myself to the service of his Kingdom. Therefore, in my secular state I promise to live all the days of my life the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Secular Franciscan Order by observing its rule of life.

May the grace of the Holy Spirit, the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and our holy father St. Francis, and the fraternal bonds of community always be my help, so that I may reach the goal of perfect Christian love.

DURING THE RITE OF PROFESSION: Josephine will receive:

The Gospels—As Secular Franciscans we need to be very familiar with the words of Scripture since we promise to “go from Gospel to life and life to the Gospel.” (Rule Art. 4)

The Crucifix—We are reminded of the Sacrifice our Lord Jesus made for our salvation. Francis’s devotion to the Incarnation (the Crib and the Cross) are central to our lives as Franciscans.

The Candle-- We received a candle at Baptism representing the light of Christ. This candle reminds us that we have re-committed to the promises that were made for us at Baptism and the promises we made at Confirmation. We are to bring the light of Christ to others.

"Yes,
this is

What I want!"



Artist--Sister Victoria Masil of
Franciscan Sisters of Christian
Charity

"I, by the grace of God, renew my baptismal promises and consecrate myself to the service of his kingdom. Therefore, in my secular state I promise to live all the days of my life the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Secular Franciscan Order by observing its rule of life. May the grace of the Holy Spirit, the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and our holy father St. Francis, and the fraternal bonds of community always be my help, so that I may reach the goal of perfect Christian love".

Words of OFS Profession

For Your Information

- At this month's gathering we will distribute the **tags for gifts** to go to the children of the **Hearts Program**.
- You may contribute to the 2025 Fair Share at any time.** Remember, Fair Share is not dues—it is a **share** in the support of our fraternity and the higher fraternities. Therefore, according to your means, please donate a full share, a partial share, or even more than one share. (***See Article 25 of our Rule.***)
- Book Club:** November 19th at 8 PM on Zoom. *Light of Assisi: The Story of St. Clare* by Sr. Margaret Carney, OSF. Chapters 2, 3, and 4. Members will receive a reminder with the Zoom link.
- Hats, gloves, scarves, and socks** for the Shelter in Hackensack. **New items only** are being collected throughout the winter. We will hold what you bring in, and when we have a good amount, we will deliver to the shelter. **We are asking that you make this a little more than just "picking up a few things" at the dollar store.** Yes, please do that, but also, **ask others if they would be willing to collaborate with us.** Asking others to help us help the less fortunate is a way for us to evangelize. **Let's share some ideas this month!!**

³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶ **naked and you clothed me**, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' ³⁷ Then the righteous^[a] will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you?' ³⁹ When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' ⁴⁰ And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Matthew 25:35-40



- Christmas Dinner** next month. Please check around for a new or gently used item for our raffle. We also ask that everyone bring cookies or a small dessert. (Natale, arancini!)

Treasurer's Report

Common Fund

Balance forward: \$ 3645.76
Income: 30.00*
Expenses \$ 309.02**
Ending Balance \$ 3,645.76

* Fraternity common fund

**Church donation and reimbursement

Good & Welfare

Previous balance: \$ 189.75
Fraternity Donations 18.00
New balance: \$207.75

Fair Share

We are collecting donations toward Fair Share for 2025

For **2025-26** our goal will be based on 20 professed
20 x \$45=\$900.00

Collected so far for 2025= \$550 + \$500 donation

Please donate toward 2025 Fair Share at any time!
(See Maureen)