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August Meeting Replaced by District Picnic



Our August meeting will be canceled so that the fraternity can go to the district picnic to be held at the Mussatto home in Claremont. The picnic will take place on Sunday, August 13th at 5:00 PM. The address is 276 E. Green Street in Claremont. The directions, according to Google, are: Take the 60/215 to the 15. Merge onto 15N toward Barstow. Merge onto the 10 toward Los Angeles. Take exit 48 for Monte Vista Ave. and turn right onto Monte Vista. Turn left on E. Arrow Highway. Turn right onto Elder Dr. Turn left at the first cross street which will be E. Green St. The house will be on your left. Go to the backyard. Bring a side dish to share, chairs, and a roll of nickels if you wish to play Bingo.

There will be a district planning meeting earlier in the afternoon for ministers, vice-ministers, and formation directors only.

Council Meeting

On Saturday, August 12th, there will be a council meeting at the home of Jane Wurzel. This will follow the retreat for the candidates. Council members and candidates will meet at St. Christopher Catholic Church at 8:00 AM for Mass and will then go to the Wurzel home for the retreat.

Las Cartas



Reflection—Patience

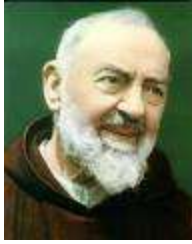
Some say don't pray for patience because God will just send you more opportunities to be patient. St. Francis was not born patient. He learned patience through honesty and humility. The word says "you too must be patient. Make your heart firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand." (James 5:8) Pope Francis has said, "God is not impatient like us who want everything at once." How often do we get impatient and short with others who do not do what we want when we want? If we love and hope truly like Jesus, we should try and understand others more patiently. Much growth is required in this area, but with God's grace, we can be more patient. The word instructs us, "Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer." (Romans 12:12) This requires great humility. Think of the most humble person you know and observe that example of humility. Peace and All Good.

Janet

Words from Padre Pio



"If you do good, praise and thank the Lord for it; if you happen to sin, humble yourself, propose to do better, ask for help, and carry on traveling the right path."



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Saint's Corner St. Louis of Toulouse



St. Louis of Toulouse was born in Brignoles, Provence, in February, 1274 and died in August, 1297. He was the second son of Charles II of Anjou, and the nephew of St. Louis IX of France and of Mary of Hungary who was the great-niece of St. Elizabeth of Hungary.

In 1288, Louis was sent with two of his brothers to Aragon as a hostage for his father who had been captured and defeated in a naval battle by the Sicilians and Aragonians. During his seven years of captivity, his education and that of his brothers was entrusted to some Franciscan Friars. Louis was found to be a holy person. During a severe illness, he made a vow to become a Friar Minor.

After his release, he was tonsured and then returned to Naples. After he renounced all rights of succession in favor his brother Robert, he was ordained a sub deacon in Rome by Boniface VIII. Boniface appointed him the

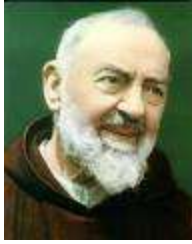
Bishop of Toulouse, but he insisted on becoming a Friar Minor first and received the Franciscan habit in Rome from the minister general, John Minio of Murro on December 24, 1296 and he immediately made solemn profession. He was then consecrated the Bishop of Toulouse by Pope Boniface VIII. He was considered the father of the poor and was a model of administration. In 1297 he was seized by a fever while visiting his sister where he died.

August Calendar of Saints

- 2 Our Lady of the Angels of Portiuncula
- 4 St. John Baptist Mary Vianney
- 7 Bls. Agathangelus and Cassian
- 8 Holy Father Dominic
- 11 St. Clare of Assisi
- 14 St. Maximilian Kolbe
- 17 St. Roch
- 19 St. Louis of Toulouse
- 21 St. Pius X
- 25 St. Louis IX

Portiuncula Indulgence

Though writers differ on the beginning of this indulgence, it is told that St. Francis was kneeling in prayer before the image of Our Lady praying for the forgiveness of the sins of mankind. Suddenly the room was illumined by the light of a million candles. Jesus and Mary appeared in the midst of a cloud of Angels. He heard a voice ask, "What do you wish me to do to help poor sinners?" Francis asked that the Lord grant a full pardon of all sins to those who came to visit the church of the Portiuncula and made a good confession. He then asked Holy Father, Honorius III for the Indulgence. It was granted and the date was set from vespers of the first of August to sundown on the second. It was later expanded to all Franciscan churches.



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August Birthdays



- 14 Maureen Smith
- 21 Christine Nordlander
- 28 Anne Marie Uskevicz
- 28 Jan DeSpain

July Birthdays

- 29 Hermie Quevedo

Anniversaries of Profession



August

- 8/18/12 Julie Bash

July

None

Change for Charity



Our Change for Charity fund is continuing. We send donations to three charities at the beginning of each year. Please remember to add any spare change or bigger bills if you have been blessed. God will bless you and those in need will bless you as well.



Pray for all who suffer because of terrorism and war throughout the world.

Please Pray

- Julie Bash
- End to abortion
- Sanctity of marriage
- Janet Serros and Gilbert Serros
- Anne Hurst (health of her eyes)
- Barbara and Tom Turkowski
- Health and wellbeing of Betty Sonderman and her friends and family
- The end of human trafficking
- The end of domestic violence
- Gerald Borne, Jr.
- Discernment for all of those who are in formation
- Yolonda Williams—health
- Agatha Borne
- Jan DeSpain
- Patrick Mendes-Repouse of soul
- Evelyn Schiel –Repouse of soul

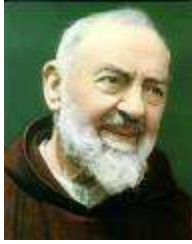
Franciscan School of Theology



The Franciscan School of Theology is now located at Mission San Luis Rey. Phone numbers are (760) 547-1800 or toll free (855) 355-1550.



Pray for our military and all military and first responders.



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Obligations for the Professed of the Secular Franciscan Order

- To join in Liturgical prayer in one of the forms proposed by the Church, preferably the Liturgy of the Hours
- To wear the Secular Franciscan habit (Tau Cross)
- To examine one's conscience daily
- To contribute to the Fraternity's common fund according to one's means
- To observe the commandments of God and the precepts of the Holy Mother Church
- To attend monthly meetings for on-going formation and community building
- To observe moderation of dress, recreation, food, and manner of life.
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