

# St. Peter/San Damiano Reactivating Fraternity

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## A Happy, Holy New Year

San Damiano Reactivating Fraternity  
Meeting—Dec. 7, 2011

The meeting was opened with a prayer and The Liturgy of the Twelve Our Fathers, led by Roger Ellison. Visitors were introduced: Mary Rivera, Regional Formation director and Joan Kaminski, Minister Queen of Peace Fraternity.

We had a Christmas sing-a-long; led by the Choir with music by Angie Cinelli. November's minutes were read and approved by Tom Feenaghty, and seconded by Louise Wolanske.

Treasurer's report was given by Len Capobianco. As of Nov. 18, our balance was \$1,358.22. \$1,000 was paid for our Fair Share, books, and *From Gospel to Life* booklets. Current balance is \$273.22. The booklets are for sale for \$2. It explains the Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order and has an explanation of the rule making it easier to understand and interpret. We will be able to use this as our formation by studying and meditation on a different rule each month.

Len spoke regarding our Fair Share of \$50 per person per year, which comes to \$5 per month per member. This is collected each month in the passing basket. He explained that starting in January we would institute an envelope system whereby there would be an envelope for each member. The member would pick up their envelope and place their donation in it. (The amount would be confidential.) Give what you can. This would also be a way to take attendance. Of the \$50 collected, \$12 goes to national, and a portion goes to International. Mary Rivera will bring a breakdown of how the money is used to our next meeting. Father Tom gets an annual stipend and some is used for expenses as he travels throughout the region visiting the various Fraternities. Mary mentioned that the Ocala Fraternity has two fund raisers during the year to supplement their treasury.

Len spoke of our other charities, The Amazon Relief Fund. This is a Franciscan sponsored project and provides assistance, food, and water to lepers in the Amazon. He had some photos of the area on display. The Backpack Program, Food 4 Kids, is going well. Our monthly donations are appreciated and are put to good use. Many members shared how they and their parishes are helping families who are in need. The Men's Club of St. Mark took 80 winter coats to the children in The Forest, where there are over 3,000 people living in tents or deserted hunting cabins. Last month six 11 year old girls gave birth. There is a real need for assistance and prayer.

Mary Rivera stated that Right to Life is not just about women. The men need to have intervention also in order to bring Christ into their lives. These men need to be included in our prayers and intervention. Kathryn Hemple added that anything we do for people in need lets them know that they are not alone. These are gifts from God through his people.

Brown bag lunch was discussed, to be eaten during break or after the meeting as a time to socialize with other fraternity members.

Tickets were sold for the Franciscan clock donated by Louise Wolanske. Deacon Bob pulled the winning ticket. Tom Feenaghty was the lucky winner.

Louise Wolanske will lead the formation for the January meeting as Kathy Feenaghty will be away.

Ray Nobel displayed his SFO jacket. They are available: contact Marie Curry for details.

Jeanette Allen volunteered to be our new Sunshine person. Let her know of any member who is ill or in need of cheer and/or prayers. Her phone number is: (352) 405-9758 email ([jeanetteallen@comcast.net](mailto:jeanetteallen@comcast.net)).

We all formed a large circle for formation and discussed our thoughts regarding the Franciscan Pledge. It was a wonderful experience of relating and sharing, and we all gained much insight.

Deacon Bob said that at the January meeting, he would explain the history of the Tau and Crown Rosary. He asked us to think about: What does the Lord want from us? What is He teaching us?

Dates: December 21, 2011-Crown Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. December 28, 2011 Council meeting. January 4, 2012-Monthly Franciscan meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marie Curry, Secretary



January 2012 - Overview for the Month

Council Members  
 Dn. R. Esposito, sfo  
 Spiritual Asst.  
 Walter Curry, sfo  
 Minister, Pro-  
 Tempore  
 Nancy Ellison, sfo  
 Vice-Minister  
 Len Capobianco, sfo  
 Treasurer  
 Marie Curry, sfo  
 Secretary Kathy  
 Feenaghty, sfo  
 Formation Director  
 Peg Nye, sfo  
 Formation Team  
 Libby Gessler, sfo  
 Formation Team  
 Queen of Peace,  
 Ocala: Jean  
 Kaminski, sfo  
 Minister

The gatherings are held usually on the first Wednesday of the month subject to change. @ St. Mark the Evangelist RCC, 7081 SE Highway 42 Summerfield, Florida 34491

**Gathering  
 January 4th**

Franciscan Crown  
 Rosary/ Divine  
 Mercy Chaplet  
 In the  
 St. Mark Chapel  
 At 2:30 pm  
 On Wednesday,  
 January 18th



The month of January is dedicated to the **Holy Name of Jesus**, which is celebrated on January 3. The first nine days of January fall during the liturgical season known as **Christmas** which is represented by the liturgical color white. The remaining days of January are the beginning of Ordinary Time. The liturgical color changes to green – a symbol of the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection.

**The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of January  
 2012**

**General:** That the victims of natural disasters may receive the spiritual and material comfort they need to rebuild their lives.

**Missionary:** That the dedication of Christians to peace may bear witness to the name of Christ before all men and women of good will.

**Franciscan Saints for January**

- 1 Solemnity of the Mother of God
- 3 Holy Name of Jesus
- 5 Bl. Diego José of Cádiz (priest)
- 7 Bl. Angela of Foligno, religious, III Order
- 8 Bl. Eurosia Fabris, III Order
- 12 St. Bernard of Corleone, religious, I Order
- 14 Bl. Odoric of Pordenone, priest, I Order
- 16 Sts. Berard, priest, and companions, protomartyrs of the Order
- 18 St. Charles of Sezze, I Order
- 19 Bl. Thomas of Cori
- 20 St. Eustochia Calafato II Order
- 27 St. Angela Merici, virgin, III Order, founder
- 30 St. Hyacinth of Mariscotti, virgin, III Order
- 31 St. John Bosco, priest, III Order, founder

**Happy January Birthdays**

Eileen	Harburger	21-Jan
Joe	Jerz	24-Jan
Mike	Burch	28-Jan
Karen	Maffeo	08-Jan