

Regular Meeting: Sun., Sept. 11th - South Rm., St. Helen's Christian Living Ctr., 2 pm.

Council meeting: Sat., Sept. 18th - Hibiscus Café in Vero Beach at 9 am.

Agenda and Schedule for meeting:

1:30 pm - Initial Formation sessions before the meeting.

2:00 - Meeting called to order. Opening Prayer, Reports, Old/New Business.

2:15 - A Blessing of our donations to the Food Pantry

2:30 - Ongoing Formation: Rosina, a member of the staff at St. Helen Parish Office, will speak to us on St. Clare of Assisi. In the course of writing a paper, Rosina has recently completed extensive research on St. Clare

3:00 - Refreshments and break

3:15 - Liturgy of the Hours for 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; Franciscan Crown Rosary

4:00 - Closing Prayer and Dismissal

Refreshment Committee for Sept.: Donna Haro and Elaine Matthews - Snacks

Carmela LaMattina- Soda and/or fruit drinks

Fraternity Apostolate: We will continue our new "tradition" of asking the Lord to bless our donations to the Food Pantry and those in need who receive it as well as the Food Pantry staff and volunteers. Please place your donations on our meeting table when you arrive.

Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity.

Remember in your prayers: Please pray for the safety of our members who are traveling - the Solloways, Ed O'Donnell, Kathleen Van Buskirk, and Hope Leet

- Do not forget to pray for our recently deceased member, Marcella Richard as well as

Gertrude Thomas and Jean Kurtz, our sisters who pre-deceased Marcella. If, as we dare to hope, they are sharing their joy in the presence of God with St. Francis and all Franciscan in heaven, they will return our prayers a hundred-fold..

- Please pray for all our members who find it difficult (for health or family reasons) to attend our monthly meetings regularly especially Maureen O'Hare who has had two strokes recently. May God, in His goodness, grant them, and all of us, relief from life's problems whether large or small.

From the Minister's Desk: - Fr. Richard will celebrate a special evening Mass for us on the Feast of St. Francis (Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>) at his parish in Vero Beach, St. John of the Cross. Please put it on your calendar and make every effort to attend. Guests are welcome, of course. (Time will be announced at our September meeting.)

- By now, you have all received my memo regarding the Day of Recollection at St. Augustine. Please let me know as soon as possible if you can or cannot attend AND if you can drive or will need a ride. The time to coordinate all this is short - we need your cooperation.

- As we announced at the June meeting, an increase in the amount of our annual "per capita" dues from \$35 to \$45 was debated and approved at the Regional Meeting in May. The Five Franciscan Martyrs Region has, over the past few years, been absorbing increases approved on the National and International fraternity levels but can no longer continue to do so. We ask that our professed members, who have not already done so, to give an additional \$10 to Sarah so that it can be forwarded to the Regional Treasurer.

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