

Regular Meeting: Sun., Nov. 12th at 2 pm - South Rm., St. Helen's Christian Living Ctr.

**Council meeting:** Sat., Nov. 18th at 9:15 am.- Arby's on west side of Rte. #1 at 16<sup>th</sup> Pl. in Vero.

**Agenda and Schedule for meeting:**

- 2:00 - Meeting called to order. Opening Prayer, Reports, Old/New Business.  
We will need to plan for our Mass and celebration on the Feast of St. Elizabeth of Hungary (11/17) as well as for Adele's Profession on 11/26 (see details below).
- 2:25 - A Blessing of our donations to the Food Pantry
- 2:30 - **Ongoing Formation: Continuation of our study of the Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order: Rule 20** - "The Secular Franciscan Order is divided into fraternities of different levels - local, regional, national and international. Each one has its own moral personality in the Church. These various fraternities are coordinated and united according to the norm of the rule and of the constitutions." (One of our members will provide an introductory lesson and facilitate a discussion to follow.)
- 3:00 - Refreshments and break
- 3:20 - Franciscan Crown Rosary. Liturgy of the Hours for the 32<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.
- 4:00 - Closing Prayer and Dismissal (If you have time, please assist us in straightening out the South Room before you leave for home. Thanks!)

**Refreshment Committee for this meeting:**

**Snacks:** Peggy Rysdyke and Elizabeth Smith

**Beverages:** George Thomas

**Remember in your prayers:** Please pray for our candidate, Adele, who will be professed in late November. *10/30: George Thomas had another mini-stroke* and is in the Rehab section of IRMC. Please pray for him! And continue praying for Jennie, Jerry Carey, Donna Haro, John Matthews, Fred and all professed Franciscans in our Florida region who are ill as well for the members of our fraternity who are not attending our meetings regularly.

**Upcoming Dates to Mark on your calendar:**

Sunday, November 26, 2006 (Feast of Christ the King) - Rite of Profession for Adele

Lamour at St. Bernardette Church in St. Lucie West at the 10:45 Mass

Friday, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> The 800<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Feast of St. Elizabeth of Hungary, a patroness of the Secular Franciscan Order. Mass at St. Helen's Chapel at 5:30pm concelebrated by Rev. Jean Boulin of St. Helen's and Rev. Richard LaCorte. Following the Mass, dinner will be served in the North Room at St. Helen's Parish Center.

Sunday, January 14, 2007 - Chapter of Elections at our regular fraternity meeting with Fr. Tom Murphy presiding. The Nominating Committee, Gene Caldarone and Kathleen Van Buskirk, will report to the fraternity at our Dec. Meeting. Call them if you are interested in running for an office and, please, pray for the grace to say "Yes" if you are asked to place your name in nomination as a "servant leader" in our fraternity.

**From the Minister's Desk:** Have you noticed that the word "Penance" is not mentioned as much as it once was? During my childhood, I recall being made aware of the need to atone for sin - not only my own but those of others. It was, I was taught, not only possible but also necessary to make reparation to

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Work: Jack Solloway, SFO

Family: Susan Solloway, SFO

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**From the Minister's Desk, *Continued***

God for all the offenses against Him through one's acts of self-denial, prayer, the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. These acts, whether performed in public or private, draw upon the "Treasury of Grace", that fount of mercy and forgiveness available to all repentant sinners. In all of the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary during the last century, beginning with Fatima, Mary has repeatedly asked for prayer, fasting and penance, penance, penance. We, as Secular Franciscans bear the age-old title of Brothers and Sisters of Penance. I know that we all make an offering of our daily hardships and inconveniences - let's go beyond that. I challenge you all to be more proactive (heroic even) in terms of penance - it will be a secret between you and God - and it will save souls - choose something to do or refrain from doing that will be a real sacrifice.

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St. Elizabeth of Hungary tending to the poor, the ailing and the dying...

