

THE SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

SAINT THOMAS MORE FRATERNITY

WE GATHER ON THE 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AT:
CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
3435 TRINDLE ROAD, CAMP HILL, PA 17011

MAR 2016 ~ St. JOSEPH

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FRATERNITY MEETING - Mar 20st:

The 3rd Sunday of the Month we will meet at 1:30 p.m. at the Church of the Good Shepherd.

Formation for Mar:

We will be saying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in this Year of Mercy as well as Voting on a Ballot for the elections in April. If we have time we will share how our Lenten practices are going, our struggles as well as well as our successes.

NEXT MEETING: April 17 - our ELECTIONS.

Patrick Martin is coming with our new area councilor to oversee the elections. We must have a quorum of Professed members in order for the voting to be valid. Please attend this meeting.

Pope Francis

Mar. prayer intentions:

Universal:

Families in Difficulty. That families in need may receive the necessary support and that children may grow up in healthy and peaceful environments.

Evangelization: Persecuted Christians.

That those Christians who, on account of their faith, are discriminated against or are being persecuted, may remain strong and faithful to the Gospel, thanks to the incessant prayer of the Church.

Snack sign ups: Here is the link for the first six months of Snack sign ups. <http://goo.gl/A3hVJE>. Andrea R. and Betsy D. are signed up for snack & beverages in March! Thank you for your generosity!

“May whoever observes all this be filled in heaven with the blessing of the most high Father, and on earth with that of His beloved Son, together with the Holy Spirit, the Comforter.”
(Blessing of St. Francis from the Testament.)

PROFESSION ANNIVERSARIES IN MARCH:

- Betsy Dum - 3/19

BIRTHDAYS IN MARCH:

- Naed Smith - 3/13
- Dan Mantarese - 3/29



PROFESSION ANNIVERSARIES IN APRIL:

- Fred and Marianne Fisher 4/22
- Tana Dale 4/22

BIRTHDAYS IN APRIL:

- Loretta Washington 4/16

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES -MARCH:

FRATERNAL DAY OF

PENANCE:

Please remember our Fraternity's March intentions in your monthly penitential activities:

May we continue to focus our attention on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Offering them for those who do not believe.

You can submit your intention on a card or by email to Steve Hurtak, our Vice-minister.

MONTHLY MASSES:

Please see the chart on pg 2.

SMALL GROUP MEETINGS:

Mar : Articles 33 & 34 AND Page 122 in Giving Life to the Words. The Soda Jerk in Hummelstown- at 12:30 pm.

Fri. March 11th. Lunch cost is on your own. If you need a ride - contact Steve Wolf.

The Harrisburg group meets at Loretta's house, please contact Loretta.

For those that work during the day, please contact Dave Artz, our Formation director, so that you may find a time to meet together.

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PRAISED BE YOU MY LORD, THROUGH
OUR SISTER, BODILY DEATH, FROM
WHOM NO ONE LIVING CAN ESCAPE.
~ ST. FRANCIS

COMING EVENTS & NEWS:

† If you need a monthly contribution envelope, they will be on the table next to the sign in sheet for your convenience.

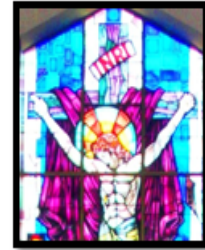
† **Saints:** Please find the Saints for the month in your St. Joseph Guide to Evening Prayer and also on our website.

† Andy Gubicza is our Infirmarian - contacting the sick and homebound of our fraternity. Should you need prayer, please contact him and he will get the word out to the rest of us. Also, please let him (or me) know if you would like your name printed in the "Please Pray" for section of the newsletter which is sent to everyone in the Fraternity and posted on the web.

PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED MEMBERS IN MARCH:
Eliza Duggan 3/20/1967, Rev. Jude Gleason 3/31/1992, Mary Clapper 3/22/2002, Frances Boyle 3/12/2007, Eileen McCarthy 3/4/2007. Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, Rest in Peace. AMEN.

SFO Masses at St. Francis Church 2016:

First Friday	3/4/2016	7 PM
	Fri. 8-Apr	7 PM
	Fri. 20-May	7 PM
	Fri. 10-Jun	7 PM
	Fri. 8-Jul	7 PM
First Friday	8/5/2016	7 PM
First Friday	9/2/2016	7 PM
First Friday	10/7/2016	7 PM
First Friday	11/4/2016	7 PM
Tuesday	11/15/2016	7:30 AM
First Friday	12/2/2016	7 PM



Please remember the Good Friday collection is for the Franciscans of the Holy Land - helps maintain the shrines/ churches cared for by our brother Franciscans.

Diocesan Men's Conference – March 12, 2015

Warriors for Christ: Jesus I Trust in You.

Several men from our Fraternity have already signed up for this -so why not consider joining them? We anticipate that many men from throughout the Diocese will be in attendance. Don't miss this opportunity! For more information, www.hbgdiocese.org/men

There are three things, my brethren, by which faith stands firm, devotion remains constant, and virtue endures. They are prayer, fasting and mercy. Prayer knocks at the door, fasting obtains, mercy receives. Prayer, mercy and fasting: these three are one, and they give life to each other." - St. Peter Chrysologus.

A little encouragement from a Doctor of the Church to help keep us on track with our prayer, fasting and almsgiving for this Lent as we journey closer to Christ.

******Diocesan Symposium on Catholic Social Teaching 2016**
March 19 @ 7:30 am - 4:30 pm - info here: <http://bit.ly/1QxSpAx>

The Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy:

CORPORAL (MEANING OF THE HUMAN BODY)

- FEED THE HUNGRY
- GIVE DRINK TO THE THIRSTY
- CLOTHE THE NAKED
- SHELTER THE HOMELESS
- VISIT THE IMPRISONED
- VISIT THE SICK
- BURY THE DEAD

SPIRITUAL (AFFECTING THE SOUL)

- INSTRUCT THE IGNORANT
- COUNSEL THE DOUBTFUL
- ADMONISH THE SINNER
- BEAR WRONGS PATIENTLY
- FORGIVE OFFENSES WILLINGLY
- COMFORT THE SORROWFUL
- PRAY FOR THE LIVING AND THE DEAD