



# The Herald of St. Francis

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## Our October Gathering

Instead of the usual Sunday gathering, our next meeting is our annual Day of Recollection and will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2019.

**PLEASE NOTE THE NEW LOCATION FOR 2019** - St. Francis Renewal Center (St. Francis of Assisi Friary), 1901 Prior Rd, Wilmington, DE 19809. We will gather at 9:00 am and will conclude with Benediction at 2:30. Please remember to bring a brown bag lunch. Coffee and light refreshments will be provided. Father Francisco Arredondo, OFM Cap. will be our Celebrant and Retreat Master. You will also need your Liturgy of the Hours as well as your Ritual book. See next page for full schedule.

Directions: Take I-95 S and I-495 S to US-13 S /Philadelphia Pike (Exit 5) in Claymont. Right onto Silverside Rd then right onto Prior Rd.

*“And we will be involved in the monthly meeting as an act of worship and a building of community.”*

~ The Lay Franciscan Monthly Pledge

## Prayer Petitions

Please contact Fran Urso at francesurs@aol.com or 610-202-8965 if you would like to include a petition in the newsletter. A new list will be generated each month.

- KL - Family conversion and healing
- TL - Spiritual healing. Dealing with illness

- Bill - Eye problems and surgery
- Terry. - full recovery from fall
- Bob. -Recovery from cancer
- Connie - Repose of soul
- Susie. - Repose of soul
- Vincent - For a good job
- Deborah - For better health and job
- Diane - Healing from cancer
- Carol - mental health
- Tom - Osteoarthritis
- Sandy -health
- Carol Jo and Terry - return to full health
- Mary - healing
- Antoinette - Repose of soul
- Young man with stomach cancer
- Grandchildren to be baptized

## St. Francis Inn Needs

- Men's & Women's Underwear (especially men's boxer shorts) — All Sizes
- Men's Shoes — All Sizes
- Baby Formula
- Powdered Milk
- Oatmeal (not instant or “1 minute” please)
- Spray Air Freshener or Deodorizer
- Cleaning Supplies
- Paper Towels
- Dish Towels
- Prayers



## **St. Francis Fraternity Day of Recollection**

**Saturday, October 12, 2019**

**St. Francis Renewal Center  
(St. Francis of Assisi Friary)  
Wilmington Del**

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| <b>9:00 a.m.</b>  | <b>Gathering and Fellowship<br/>Sign in<br/>Coffee / tea / light refreshment will be available</b>                  |
| <b>9:30 a.m.</b>  | <b>Chapel<br/>Liturgy - Morning Prayer<br/>Franciscan Crown Rosary</b>  |
| <b>10:15 a.m.</b> | <b>Conference by Father Francisco Arredondo</b>   |
| <b>11:00 a.m.</b> | <b>Mass</b>   |
| <b>Noon</b>       | <b>Lunch – Brown bag lunch</b>  |
| <b>1:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament<br/>Franciscan Examination of Conscience<br/>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> |
| <b>2:30 p.m.</b>  | <b>Benediction</b>  |

**Heavenly Father, I thank You for the gift of my Secular Franciscan vocation and pray You will help me to value it as much as You do. Bring my heart back to the day of my Profession when the fervor for my Secular Franciscan vocation burned brightly.**

**Through the intercession of St. Francis and my Holy Mother Mary, I pray for the strength and courage to embrace the promises I made on the day of my Profession. Remind me each day to live the Gospel, knowing that doing this involves my total commitment by: observing the Rule; faithfully attending my Fraternity's monthly gathering as an act of worship and a building of community; developing a greater awareness, understanding and responsiveness to the needs of my sisters and brothers in my local Fraternity as well as the Regional, National and International Fraternities; and wearing the Tau as a symbol of my commitment to the Secular Franciscan Order and its Rule of life.**

**Dear Father of Mercies, I pray for your grace. Keep always before me my holy purpose as a "witness and instrument of the Church's mission." Enable me to renew afresh the precious gift of this vocation. I make this prayer through Your Son and my Brother and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**