

VOL. 70, NO. 8
AUGUST 2010

THE DOVERFIELD

ST. BONAVENTURE SECULAR FRANCISCANS ✦ DETROIT, MICHIGAN



*“May the power of your love, O Lord,
fiery and sweet as honey,
wean my heart from all that is under heaven,
so that I may die for love of your love,
you who were so good
as to die for love of my love.”*

– the prayer “Absorbeat”,
attributed to St. Francis by St. Bernardine and Ubertino of Casale

Visit our website: <http://www.sfstbonaventure-detroit.org>

MINISTER'S LETTER

My dear brothers and sisters,

May the Lord grant you peace!

At our fraternity gathering on July 18th, we gathered for our annual fraternity picnic. We enjoyed a scrumptious banquet of hot dogs, baked beans, salads, vegetables and desserts. I want to express my appreciation to **Theresa Westbrook-Lienert** and **Tony Lienert** for their work in organizing the picnic and preparing the hot dogs and baked beans, to all those who helped with the set up and clean up, and to everyone who brought a dish to share.

At the same time we welcomed **Hank Forsy** into our fraternity. Hank is inquiring into the Secular Franciscan way of life and desires to learn more about our fraternity. The day was made “extra special” because the individuals who completed the inquiry phase of the formation process were admitted into the candidacy program: **Anthony Cerroni**, **Therese Joseph**, **Eileen Smith** and **Ruby Thompson**. Please remember all of them in your prayers as they continue on their journey and discern their vocation to the Secular Franciscan Order. Please also pray for an increase in vocations to the Secular Franciscan way of life.

If you have access to e-mail and would like to be informed of more urgent or time sensitive fraternity news, such as deaths of fraternity members and funeral arrangements, please send an e-mail to me at **secular_franciscans@yahoo.com** and I will add you to the list.

I want to extend an invitation to you to attend an event at my parish, St. Robert Bellarmine Church located at 27101 W. Chicago in Redford, Michigan. My parish is hosting the **25th anniversary Spirit of Assisi Tour** on Saturday, August 28 at 6:00 p.m. An evening of Song and Spirit with **Steve Klaper** and **Br. Al Mascia, OFM** — one a Franciscan minstrel, the other a Jewish troubadour, a singer and storyteller, not so different trying to make a difference in the world, working together to bring peace to the world, one song at a time. There is no charge for the concert; however, a free will offering will be accepted.

I will conclude my letter with just a brief thought on the Gospel story of Martha and Mary which we heard at Mass today (July 18). I love the story of Martha and Mary, two sisters with very different temperaments, because it reminds me of the need to have a healthy balance of contemplation and activity in my daily life, and less anxiety and worry and more trust, peace and calm. In this Gospel story Jesus says to Martha: “Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her” (Lk 10:41-42). When we hear this story, we must remember that God does not chastise Martha for preparing the meal and being hospitable, but rather for the way she does it — anxious and worried.

As Secular Franciscans we are called to live the Gospel message in our daily lives. We are to find that healthy balance of sitting quietly at the feet of Christ, of opening our hearts to his presence, and to listen attentively to that still small voice. Once we make the time in our daily lives to do this, our hearts, minds and our entire lives will be transformed and filled with the peace that is beyond all understanding. Then, we will truly be able to serve others with hearts full of love, kindness and peace.

I am looking forward to seeing you at our fraternity gathering on Sunday, August 15th.

Your sister in St. Francis,
maryann



From the Friars' Choir

*God loves you because of who God is,
not because of anything you did or didn't do.*



Celebrating Stephen Haycox



Stephen Haycox was born February 1, 1905 to Albert and Anna (Bertison) Haycox in Detroit, Michigan. He has one brother, Richard. Stephen was baptized at Our Lady of Grace Church in Detroit. At one year of age, his family moved to Dearborn, where he still resides. He attended Divine Child Elementary School in Dearborn for the first and

second grades. After the second grade, Stephen entered the Dearborn Public School system and graduated from Dearborn High School. After graduating, he enrolled at the Detroit College of Business where he obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration. His employment began at WKBD TV 50 in 1972 as a camera man followed by working computers at the TV station.

In 1978, Stephen met his future spouse at a social dance with the Detroit Catholic Singles Club of which he and his future wife were members. After a 1-year engagement, **Bernadette Zalewski** and Stephen were married at St. Hedwig's Catholic Church in Detroit. The birth of Stephen's son and daughter twins occurred six years later.

In 1984, Stephen began a new job at the Auto Club of Dearborn as a computer analyst and worked there until 2006. During that time Stephen was active in his parish, Divine Child in Dearborn. His work at the church helped

him and caused him to obtain a Bachelor of Arts degree in Pastoral Ministry from Sacred Heart Major Seminary in 2001.

Throughout the years, Stephen's ministered in his parish in various roles, including: coordinator of Christian Service, lector, choir, Eucharist Minister, ministering to the residents of the Heartland health care facility in Dearborn Heights, and leading vigil services for funerals.

Stephen was professed into the Secular Franciscan Order in 1999, after John Galddess, a friend and co-worker at AAA introduced him to the secular fraternity. Ironically, Stephen followed through to profession whereas his friend and co-worker never pursued joining.

Stephen is currently a councilor-at-large on the Leadership Council of our Fraternity. In previous terms on the Council, Stephen served as Christian Service coordinator. He also helped coordinate the John Michael Talbert Concert which our fraternity sponsored a few years ago. Currently Stephen is a mentor to inquirers for the SFO.

Due to health issues, Stephen had to stop working for secular employers, and reduced his contact with visiting the sick of his parish. He is scaling back on his other activities now in order to be of greater service to our fraternity.

In his free time Stephen enjoys reading religious books, financial reports and business articles, and fixing things around the house. He also helps care for his in-laws who are in their late 80s.

We love you, Stephen!



Josiah • 1 year old • glioma astrocytoma

Josiah hadn't started rolling over by the time he was 4 months old. Then, when he was 5 months old, he suddenly began favoring his right side. He wouldn't reach for anything using his left hand and he stopped sucking his left thumb. His parents started to fear that something was wrong. During a check-up, the pediatrician noticed that Josiah's head was larger than it should be, so he ordered an ultrasound. The results were devastating—the test revealed a type of brain tumor. Josiah had surgery at the local children's hospital to remove as much of the tumor as possible, then he was referred to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital for his continuing treatment and care. Josiah began receiving chemotherapy right away to destroy what was left of the fast-growing tumor. Josiah also

receives occupational and physical therapy. Josiah's mom said, "You still want to cry every day—but you can talk to the other parents ... it's like a really big family at St. Jude."



Deceased:

Fr. Giles Soyka, OFM Cap (†July 3, 2010)
 Barbara Ertzbischoff (mother of Julia) (†July 13, 2010)

Members needing prayers:

Wilhelmina Adkins	Tony Lienert
Peter Aluzzo	Janice Litch
Jan Atkinson	Rose Longo
Kay Balas	Ilene Manning
Gertrude Beattie	Joseph Marra
Evelyn Bishop	Sophie Martin
Janet & John Bodell	Maria McNally
Rocco Cesaro	Genevieve Ochenkowski
Loretta Chmielarczyk	Rosie Patin
Clara Falzone	Dolores & Bob Peckham
Wesley Faust	Theresa Pfaendtner
Marie Fontanive	Joseph Pierce
Mary Gillen	Diane Raymond
Natalie Grabowski	Valerie Ridley
James Heymes	Mary Saber
Caroline Hojna	Francis Scallion
Dora Sue Jay	Gene Snyders
Anna May Jezak	Alice Vier
Donna Marie Johnston	Helen Wardowski
Denise Joseph	Joseph Wisk
Mary Klein	Stephen Yuhase
Maryann Kummer	Veronica Yuhase
Les and Josie Lafata	

Relatives needing prayers:

Mary Ann Avery, niece of Lorraine Korte
 Avian, great nephew of the Atkinsons
 Melanie Bruss, niece of Dan and Jan Atkinson
 Angelina and Joey Daleo,
 daughter-in-law & son of Josie and Les Lafata
 Lucy Devus
 James Donahue, Jr., brother-in-law of Julia E.-Donohue
 Duane Duchene, father of Clare Falzone
 Edmund Erzbischoff, father of Julia

Fr. Ed Ertzbischoff, brother of Julia
 Beverly & Mike Falzone, parents of Clara
 Sylvia Rosales-Fike
 Karen Fitzpatrick, daughter of Mary Klein
 Stefan Florescu, husband of Caroline
 Bob Fontanive, husband of Marie
 Leo Frangos, nephew of Donna Marie Johnston
 Doreen & Billy Gerwollis, dter/son-i-l of Sophie Martin
 John Gold, husband of Rose
 Judy Hojna, Caroline's sister-in-law
 Ted Hojna, husband of Caroline
 Esther Mae Kelly, wife of Charles
 Fred LaChance, brother of Donna Marie Johnston
 Tyrone Mack, brother of Anna Tyler
 Manning Family, especially Bill, son of Ilene
 Melanie McAleer, sister of Alice Vier
 Charlie, John McCaay & Family of Ilene Manning
 Marilyn Nichols, daughter of Anthony Brodeur
 Jean Nozewski, wife of Thomas
 Teresa Poole, mother of Mary
 Simone Robinson, mother of Joanne Schumacher
 Amy Schumacher, daughter of Joanne
 Bob Stevenson, son-in-law of John and Janet Bodell
 Dan Tyrna, grandson of Mary Hebert
 Chester Wisk, brother of Joe

Those serving in the Armed Forces:

Andrew Arcznski	Thomas Greenia
Christopher Beattie	John Marra III
James Anthony Brannigan	Joseph Marra, Jr.
Thomas Chmielarczyk	Gerard Williams

Memorials:

Faye Kluk Boland, offered by Natalie Grabowski
 Faye Kluk Boland, offered by Bridget Schultz

Help keep our list up-to-date; to remove names of those who no are no longer in need of urgent prayer, or to add names of members and immediate family members who are in great need, call:

Jo Marie Nardi at 586-978-2335

We ask, however, that you pray for ALL who have asked for our prayers.

Franciscan Saints of August

- August 1** **Bl. Benvenute de Miguel Arahall** (1887-1936), Capuchin Tertiary Franciscan, martyr
- August 2** **Our Lady of the Angels at the Porziuncola**
- August 2** **St. Peter Julian Eymard**, Secular Franciscan, Priest and Founder
- August 3 Bl. Matthew of Bascio (1495-?), Franciscan, founder of the Capuchin Reform
- August 4** **St. Jean-Marie Vianney**, Secular Franciscan, priest
- August 4 Bl. Dominic of Genoa, Franciscan
- August 5** **Bl. Cecchi of Pésaro (Francis Zanfredini)** (1270-1350), Secular Franciscan hermit
- August 5 Bl. Frédéric Janssoone (1838-1916) Franciscan priest, missionary to four continents
- August 5 Bl. Clement (-1241), Franciscan
- August 7 Bb. Agathangelo and Cassian, Capuchin Franciscan Martyrs
- August 7 Bl. Thomas Caccia of Novara (-1478), Franciscan
- August 7 Bl. Vincent of Aquila (-1504), Franciscan friar
- August 8 St. Dominic de Guzmán, Founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), friar and priest
- August 8** **Bl. Mary Margaret Caiani**, Secular Franciscan, Virgin, Founder
- August 8 Bl. William of Castellammare di Stabia, Franciscan Martyr
- August 9** **Bl. Franz Jägerstätter** (1907-1943) Secular Franciscan Spouse, Parent, Martyr
- August 9** **Bl. Mary Frances Rubatto**, Secular Franciscan, Virgin, Founder
- August 9 Bl. John Eliseo of Fermo (La Verna) (-1322), Franciscan priest
- August 10** **Bl. Marianne Cope** (1838-1918) Virgin, Third Order Sister of St. Francis, missionary to lepers
- August 10 Bl. Andrew of Grosseto (-1497), Franciscan friar
- August 11 St. Clare of Assisi (1194-1253) Poor Clare
- August 11 St. Rufino, First Bishop of Assisi, martyr
- August 13 Bl. Mark Cristofori of Aviano, Capuchin Franciscan
- August 13 Bl. Benedict Sinigardi of Arezzo, early Franciscan
- August 14 St. Maximilian Kolbe (1894-1941) Conventual Franciscan Priest and Martyr
- August 14 Bl. Sante Brancorsini of Urbino (1343-1394), Franciscan
- August 14 Bl. Lawrence of Fabriano (Fermo) (1370-1480), Franciscan priest
- August 15** **SG Armida Barelli** (1882-1952), Secular Franciscan
- August 15 Bl. Claude Granzotto, Franciscan friar
- August 15 Bl. Albert Bertini of Sarteano (1385-1450), Franciscan friar
- August 16** **St. Roch of Montpellier**, Secular Franciscan
- August 17 Bl. Bartholomew Laurel, Franciscan Friar
- August 18 Bb. Franciscan Martyrs of Rochefort (Capuchins and Conventuals)
- August 18 Bl. Paula Montaldi of Mantua (1443-1514), Virgin, Poor Clare
- August 18 Ven. Mary Magdalen Bentivoglio (1834-1904) Poor Clare
- August 19 St. Louis of Anjou (Toulouse), Franciscan, Bishop
- August 19** **SG Mario Joseph Restivo** (1963-1982) Franciscan Youth
- August 20 Bl. Vincent of Siena (-1442), Franciscan friar
- August 20 Bl. Angelo Lo Musico of Caltagirone (1540-1610), Franciscan friar
- August 21** **St. Pius X** (1835-1914) Secular Franciscan, 257th Pope
- August 22 Bl. Timothy of Monticchio (1444-1504), Franciscan
- August 23** **Bl. Blanche of Castille** (1188-1252) Secular Franciscan
- August 23 Bl. Bernard Peroni of Offida, Capuchin Franciscan
- August 25** **St. Louis IX of France** (1214-1270), Secular Franciscan, Ruler, Patron of SFO and TOR
- August 25** **Bl. Mary Cabanillas**, Third Order, Virgin, Founder
- August 28 Bl. Agnello of Borgo San Sepolcro (-1270) and Companions, Franciscans
- August 28 Bl. Angelo of Pesche d’Isernia (1400-1460), Franciscan friar
- August 29 Bl. John of Perugia and Bl. Peter of Sassoferrato (-1231), Franciscans, martyrs
- August 30 Bl. Nicholas Salvani of Siena (-1289), Franciscan
- August 31 Bl. Raniero Aretini of Arezzo, Franciscan



August 2	David Chelsea*	August 19	Paul Bourgeau
August 5	Michael Schultz	August 20	Ann Marie Russette*
August 7	Gina Rizzo	August 22	Mary Poole
August 9	Anna Tyler	August 24	Joseph Boland
August 13	Janet Atkinson	August 25	Patricia Munafo
August 14	Helen Moroz*	August 27	Mary Gillen
	Valerie Ridley*	August 28	Claire Johnson
August 15	Nona Mary Hebert*	August 29	Daniel Marotta
August 16	Rosemarie Kraski*	August 30	Marilyn Ricard*
August 17	Joanne Marshall*	August 31	Josephine Lafata*
August 19	Emma Fratarcangeli*		

Rule Reflection for August

SFO Rule, Art. 15; SFO Constitutions, Art. 22

SFO Rule, Art. 15

“Let them individually and collectively be in the forefront in promoting justice by the testimony of their human lives and their courageous initiatives. Especially in the field of public life, they should make definite choices in harmony with their faith.”

SFO Constitutions, Art. 22

1. *Rule 15* Secular Franciscans should “be in the forefront ... in the field of public life.” They should collaborate as much as possible for the passage of just laws and ordinances.
2. The fraternities should engage themselves through courageous initiatives, consistent with their Franciscan vocation and with the directives of the Church, in the field of human development and justice. They should take clear positions whenever human dignity is attacked by any form of oppression or indifference. They should offer their fraternal service to the victims of injustice.
3. The renunciation of the use of violence, characteristic of the followers of Francis, does not mean the renunciation of action. However, the brothers and sisters should take care that their interventions are always inspired by Christian love.

Reflections for sharing:

1. The “secular” in “Secular Franciscans” indicates the field of our ministry and activity: public life. What “courageous initiative” or collaborative effort in the realm of human development and justice are you currently involved in?
2. Renouncing all violence [street violence as well as capital punishment] is counter-cultural. Where do you stand?



*It's already five years
Through laughter and tears
How the time has flown
Since I made you my own.
Happy 5th Anniversary!*

*Love,
"Wifie"
Claire*

RE-IGNITE THE FIRE!

The clustered fraternities of **St. Bonaventure, St. David, Solanus Casey, Troubadours of St. Clare, St. Francis and St. Thomas More** will be sponsoring a gathering for all area Secular Franciscans who were professed during the past five years. The theme of the gathering will be "Re-ignite the Fire." This will be the first time that the fraternities in our region have come together to support our recently-professed in this manner. The main focus will be to allow the recently-professed to share their experience and to find ways to help them re-ignite the fire that was their's at profession.

Pizza, salad and dessert will be served. The gathering will be held on Saturday, August 28th from 2:00 to 5:00 At St. Joan of Arc Church Family and Youth Center at 22415 Overlake, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080. Our minister, **Maryann Kummer**, **Pat Meldrum** (2005), **Pat Munafo** (2005), **Joe Portugal** (2006) and **Chuck Sapien** (2007) will be attending. We are looking forward to a blessed and joyful gathering with our fellow Secular Franciscans!



Mark Your Calendars

- August 1..... Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
- August 13..... Christian Service at the Meldrum Soup Kitchen (10:30 am - 1 pm)
- August 15..... Third Sunday gathering (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)
- September 10... Christian Service at the Meldrum Soup Kitchen (10:30 am - 1 pm)
- September 12... Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
- September 19... SFO Day of Reflection (everyone at 11:00 a.m., bring a bag lunch)
- October 3 Leadership Council meeting (3:30 p.m.)
- October 3 Transitus (7:00 p.m. in the Monastery chapel)
- October 8 Christian Service at the Meldrum Soup Kitchen (10:30 am - 1 pm)
- October 10 Solanus Casey Concert (time to be announced)
- October 17 Third Sunday gathering (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)
- October 23 SFO Mass for All Deceased Franciscans (10:00 a.m.)
- November 7 Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
- November 12 ... Christian Service at the Meldrum Soup Kitchen (10:30 am - 1 pm)
- November 21 ... SFO Profession Mass (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)
- December 5 Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
- December 10 Christian Service at the Meldrum Soup Kitchen (10:30 am - 1 pm)
- December 19 Christmas Concert (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)

Opportunities for Volunteers:

- gathering the news and composing the monthly “Brothers and Sisters” column for *The Poverello*;
- learning how to edit/publish *The Poverello*.

Interested? Please contact Maryann Kummer.

July 18, 2010



Maryann Kummer, Janet Bodell and Br. Pat McSherry welcome **Hank Forsys** as an Inquirer into our Way of Life.



Maryann Kummer, Janet Bodell and Br. Pat McSherry welcome candidates **Anthony Cerroni, Therese Joseph, Eileen Smith and Ruby Thompson** as the newest members of the Fraternity.



Maryann Kummer, Janet Bodell and Br. Pat McSherry with the new candidates (left) and with **Hank Forsys** and soon-to-be candidate **Leticia**.

AUGUST 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 ORD. WK 18 Pss Wk 2	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 ORD. WK 19 Pss Wk 2 LEADERSHIP COUNCIL 2:30 PM	9	10 St. Joan of Arc: 1 PM	11	12	13 MELDRUM KITCHEN 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM Solanus Cell: 7:30 PM (Heymes'?)	14
15 ASSUMPTION OF MARY FRATERNITY GATHERING Candidates: Noon Everyone: 1:30 PM	16 ORD. WK 20 Pss Wk 3	17	18	19 EMB Board: 10 AM	20	21
22 ORD. WK 21 Pss Wk 4	23	24	25	26	27 Bl. Luchesio: 7:30 PM	28
29 ORD. WK 22 Pss Wk 1	30	31				

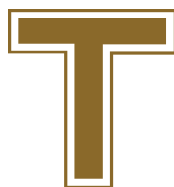
Please patronize our advertizers

Gerry Marson
Shaklee Distributor
8070 Busch
Centerline, MI 48015 • 586-754-3808



Products in Harmony with Nature and Good Health

Types of Products
Nutritional
Household
Personal Care



JERROLD MARSH
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR

23100 Jeffeson S. of 9 Mile
St. Clair Shores, MI 48080
1-586-445-0123 or 1-313-884-7322 (24 Hours)

FAX ET PHONUM

Minister

Maryann Kummer

Vice Minister

Teresa Westbrook-Lienert

Treasurer pro tem

Eugene Snyders

Secretary

Patricia Meldrum

Initial Formation

John Bodell

Councillors-at-Large:

Stephen Haycox

Tony Lienert

Patricia Munafo

Beverly Sapien

Chuck Sapien

Spiritual Assistant:

Br. Patrick McSherry

APPOINTMENTS

Infirmarians:

Jo Marie Nardi

Sylvia Stanik

Continuing Formation Commission:

Chuck & Bev Sapien (chairs)

Christian Service Commission:

Patricia Munafo (chair)

Hospitality Commission:

Teresa Westbrook-Lienert

& Tony Lienert (chairs)

Vocations Ministry Commission:

To be announced (chair)

Eucharistic Mission Band (EMB):

To be announced

MAKING FRATERNITY HAPPEN

The entire St. Bonaventure Secular Franciscan Fraternity gathers on the Third Sunday of every month. For more information, contact:

Chuck & Bev Sapien

In addition to our monthly Fraternity gathering, some members also gather in small groups:

Fr. Solanus Cell (2nd Friday, 7:30 pm):

TBA

St. Joan of Arc Satellite (2nd Tuesday, 1 pm):

Frank Liccardello

Bl. Luchesio Cell (4th Friday, 7:30 pm):

Connie Musial

FRATERNITY MINISTRY OUTREACH:

Meldrum Soup Kitchen

Usually on the 2nd Friday of each month.

&

Healing Service Social

Patricia Munafo (contact)

OTHER SFO-AFFILIATED GROUPS:

Interfaith Justice & Peace Group:

Jo Marie Nardi

The Poverello is published by the
St. Bonaventure Secular Franciscan Fraternity
1780 Mt. Elliott St.

Detroit, Michigan 48207

Phone: 313-579-2100, ext. 136

e-mail: secular_franciscans@yahoo.com

URL: sfofbonaventure-detroit.org

editor: Br. Pat McSherry, OFM Cap.

Deadline for articles and news items is 3:30 PM
on the Third Sunday of each month.



“Dormition of the Virgin”
13th century fresco of the School of Giotto
in the church of Santa Maria dei Penitenti in Piove di Sacco, Padua (Italy)

St. Bonaventure
Secular Franciscan Fraternity
1780 Mt. Elliott St.
Detroit, Michigan 48207

