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FR. JOGUES CONSTANCE, OFM CAP

**BORNNOVEMBER 27, 1927
MARQUETTE, MI
INVESTEDMARCH 2, 1945
FIRST PROFESSIONMARCH 3, 1946
PERPETUAL PROFESSION.....MARCH 3, 1949
ORDINATION AUGUST 27, 1953
DIED DECEMBER 19, 2009
DETROIT, MI**

MAY HE REST IN PEACE.

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MINISTER'S LETTER

My dear brothers and sisters,

Happy New Year! I hope you and your family are continuing to have a peaceful and joyous Christmas season.

As I reflected on the message I wanted to share with you at the beginning of the New Year, two Scripture passages came to mind: "Behold, I make all things new" (Revelation 21:5), and, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ; he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new" (2 Corinthians 5:17). My brothers and sisters, our God is in the business of making all things new.

All creation proclaims the greatness of God – the beauty of the seasons, a new sunrise and sunset every day, flowers bursting forth in their season, children being born. All things are made new by the power of God.

As Secular Franciscans, our vocation calls us to ongoing conversion in all aspects in our daily lives. God is always calling and inviting us to a new and deeper relationship with himself. And it is only through our relationship with Christ and through his grace and power, that we are able to change our inner selves and be of greater service to all those we meet on our life's journey.

Therefore, as we embark upon this new year, I encourage you take some time to reflect on the two Scripture passages above, to sit quietly with the Lord and ask him to help you discern – what areas of my life (my character, my behavior, my prayer life, my relationships with others) need to be made new? And then, listen with an open heart and follow the promptings of the Spirit of the living God to make these changes in your life.

PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

"God of this new year, I am walking into mystery. I face the future, not knowing what the days and months ahead will bring to me or how I will respond. Be love in me as I journey. May I welcome all who come my way. Deepen my faith to see all of life through your eyes. Fill me with hope and an abiding trust that you dwell in me amidst all my joys and sorrows. Remind me that wherever I go during this new year, you are walking with me. Thank you for the treasure of my faith life. Thank you for the gift of being able to rise each day with the assurance of your accompanying me through the day. God of this new year, I praise you. Amen."

(see May I Have This Dance by Joyce Rupp)

As you journey through this new year, I pray that you may experience anew the reality of God's presence, peace, and love with you. God bless you.

Your sister in St. Francis,
Maryann



From the Friars' Choir

EXERCISE DAILY

WALK WITH THE LORD.

Brothers and Sisters

Our very dear friend, brother, confidant, confessor and spiritual director, member of our families and SFO spiritual assistant, **Fr. Jogues Constance**, passed to eternal life at about 10 AM, on Saturday, December 19th. Fr. Jogues ministered to Secular Franciscans for 51 of his 64 years as a Capuchin and 56 years as a priest. During his years in Wisconsin, he served SFO fraternities in the areas around Marathon and Fond du Lac. He spent another 22 years serving our Fraternity here at St. Bonaventure's, and another 8+ years at St. David's Fraternity. Besides being present at our meetings, Fr. Jogues became part of our daily- and family lives, sharing in our joys and sorrows, our highs and lows, remembering our birthdays, sharing meals with us, visiting us when we were sick, and always – *always!* – radiating a calm serenity no matter what happened, steeped in the conviction that our faith must be stronger than life itself. Fr. Jogues meant so much to so many of us and our families through the years! We have not prayed to Fr. Jogues as yet, but, as my husband Joe said, "If Fr. Jogues isn't in heaven, none of us even have a chance." When Joe's daughter, Pat, heard the news of Fr. Jogues' passing, she wrote in an e-mail, "So sorry to hear the sad news; but, **he is home for Christmas.**" I never thought about it like that when others, like my first husband, Ken, my Dad and my father-in-law, and Geri Cotter's husband, David, and many others passed away in December; no wonder there are so many deaths before the holidays. I could go on at length about Fr. Jogues' presence in our lives, but, will instead leave you with your own memories of him. I thought I'd share with you just a few photos of Fr. Jogues (see page 5), one of Joe and myself renewing our wedding vows at our 20th Anniversary celebration, one at the last dinner Fr. Jogues had at our home, and two taken at Fr. Jogues' 80th Birthday celebration sponsored by St. David's Fraternity. I hope they call to mind special events you may have shared with Fr. Jogues. I also want to thank my husband, Joe, for making so many telephone calls to inform old friends of Fr. Jogues' death.

I would also like to thank **Br. Larry LaCross** and all the friars at St. Bonaventure Monastery, including our own dear **Br. Pat**, for taking such excellent care of

Fr. Jogues during his last illness while under Hospice Care. There, I know, Fr. Jogues felt at home with his brothers. During the last part of his earthly journey the community of friars gathered in Fr. Jogues' bedroom and prayed with and for him, commending him to the care of the Blessed Virgin Mary with chants that Fr. Jogues himself would have sung many times during his lifetime – the **Salve Regina** and the **Ultima**. I also want to thank **Fr. Ken Reinhart** and the other friars and staff of Capuchin Retreat in Washington for looking after Fr. Jogues while he was at Lourdes Nursing Home and for giving us permission to visit him. To **Marie Amore** and the other SFO members who either led or participated in the Wake Service at Verheyden's, our thanks. It makes us proud to belong to this great Franciscan Family!

In other news, during November, Joe and I went on one of the new 24-hour retreats at the Capuchin Retreat Center in Washington, and it was definitely a spiritual "giant step" for us, just as if we had made an entire weekend Retreat. So we recommend it to anyone who needs a yearly spiritual shot-in-the arm and is short on time.

Mary Hebert is in Winchester, Kentucky, welcoming her 19th great-grandchild, William Pierce.

I'd like to take this opportunity also to thank **Janet Bodell** and the members of the former Council for all they did to restore joy, peace and order in our Fraternity. Janet has been appointed to chair the Vocation Ministry for our Fraternity [formerly called Vocation Directors and Promoters], a position Joe and I held for about 5 years some time ago, to explore ways in which we can make the SFO better known and to invite new members. Joe and I would be pleased to help in this effort, and we hope that all of our members would do whatever they can in this effort.

Thanks, too, to everyone who helped with the Christmas Concert social, especially to the new Hospitality Committee led by **Teresa Westbrook-Lienert** and her husband, **Tony**.

Lastly, I wish you all a blessed, peaceful, happy, healthy and joyful Christmas Season and a very Happy New Year. I will see you at our Chapter meeting on Sunday, January 17th.

Faye Kluk Boland

Send news items about our members to Faye Kluk Boland at:
(tel) 586-939-3342 or (e-mail) Boland14@sbcglobal.net



Deceased Members:

Anthony Brodeur († Nov. 18, 2009)
Fr. Jogues Constance, OFM Cap († Dec. 19, 2009)
Mary Catherine Reinhard († Dec. 11, 1998)

Deceased Relatives:

John Erzbischoff, cousin of Julia

Members needing prayers:

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

Relatives needing prayers:

Susan Arcznski, cousin of the Atkinsons
Mary Ann Avery, niece of Lorraine Korte
Avian, great nephew of the Atkinsons
Angel Bettin and Donna Mitchell,
daughters of Caroline Hojna

Melanie Bruss, niece of Dan and Jan Atkinson
Angelina and Joey Daleo,
daughter-in-law & son of Josie and Les Lafata
Starr Dehn, niece of Mary Poole
Rose Dreissen, wife of Joseph
Duane Duchene, father of Clare Falzone
Barbara Erzbischoff, mother of Julia E-Donahue
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 Gerwollis, daughter of Sophie Martin
Billy Gerwollis, son-in-law 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
Manning Family, family of Irene
Melanie McAleer, sister of Alice Vier
Charlie McCaay & Family of Ilene Manning
John McCaay, 5-yr-old with brain cancer
Marilyn Nichols, daughter of Anthony Brodeur
Jean Nozewski, wife of Thomas
Teresa Poole, mother of Mary
Max Pulgar Vidal Biber, dying cousin of Br. Pat
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
Christopher Beattie
James Anthony Brannigan
Thomas Chmielarczyk
Thomas Greenia
Edward Kluk
John Marra III
Joseph Marra, Jr.

Pray for ALL

who have entrusted themselves to our prayer.

Help keep our list up-to-date,
to remove or add names, call:

Jo Marie Nardi at 586-978-2335



PROVINCIAL ASSISTANT'S LETTER

I am sorry to hear of the death of Fr. Jogues. Fr. Jogues served as a companion to the SFO for many years, both in Michigan and Wisconsin. I know of no way to measure the number of individuals he touched or the many Secular Franciscans he dealt with. What I do know is his dedication not only to the SFO, but also to whatever ministry in which he served. His dedication was a lifelong commitment to the things he considered his ministry as a Capuchin.

Like all of us, Jogues was not perfect. But he regularly served with a dedicated spirit in his ministries as a Capuchin. That spirit continued to prompt his ministries throughout his life. May his memory live on in the people he loved and served. May each of us remember him with love as a brother in our Franciscan Family.

Blessings on all of you who experience his loss at this time.

Shalom

Lester Bach, OFM Cap

SFO Provincial Spiritual Assistant

Province of St. Joseph of the Capuchin Order

Franciscan Saints of January

January 4 Bl. Christiana Menabuoi of Santa Croce sull'Arno (c1237-1310) Virgin, Third Order

January 6 Bl. Diego José López Caamaño of Cádiz (1743-1801) Capuchin Franciscan priest

January 6 St. Charles Marchioni of Sezze (1616-1670) Franciscan friar

January 7 Bl. Angela of Foligno, (- 1309) Third Order of St. Francis, mystic

January 7 Bl. Valentine Paguay of Tongres (1828-1905), Franciscan Priest

January 8 Bl. Eurosia Fabris “Mamma Rosa” (1866-1932) Wife, Mother, Secular Franciscan

January 10 Bl. Giles of Lorenzana (- 1518), Franciscan friar hermit

January 11 St. Thomas Placidi of Cori (1655-1729), Franciscan friar and priest

January 12 St. Bernard Latino of Corleone (1605-1667), Capuchin Franciscan friar

January 14 Bl. Odoric of Pordenone (1265-1331), Franciscan friar and priest, missionary

January 15 Bl. James of Castelpieve, Franciscan friar

January 16 Ss. Berard and Companions (- 1220), First Franciscan Martyrs,

“The Franciscan Martyrs of Morocco”, Berard of Carbio, Accursius, Adjutus, Otto and Peter

January 19 St. Eustochia Calafato of Messina (1434-1491), Poor Clare virgin

January 19 St. Francis Anthony Placidi, Franciscan friar

January 20 Bl. John Baptist Triquerie, Conventual Franciscan friar and martyr

January 22 ... St. Vincent Pallotti (1795-1850), Secular Franciscan and Priest

January 22 ... Day of Penance for Violations to Human Dignity through Abortion

January 23 Bl. Marianne Cope of Moloka'i (1838-1919) Sister of the Third Order of St. Francis

January 24 St. Francis de Sales (1567-1622), Corderbearer, Bishop,

co-founder of the Order of the Visitation, and Doctor of the Church

January 27 ... St. Angela Merici (1470-1540), Secular Franciscan, Virgin, Founder of the Ursulines

Bl. Paul Joseph Nardini (1821-1862), Secular Priest,

Founder of the Franciscan Sisters of the Holy Family (Mallersdorf)

January 29 Bl. Roger of Todi (- 1237), Franciscan friar

January 30 St. Hyacinth Mariscotti, (1585-1640), Third Order religious

January 31 St. John Bosco (1815-1888), Secular Franciscan, priest and founder of the Salesians

Bl. Louise Albertoni, (1474-1533) Widow, Secular Franciscan

Chapter

**Our Fraternity will be celebrating its annual Chapter of Affairs
on Sunday, January 17th, beginning at 1:30 PM
in the Solanus Casey Center.**

**Written reports will be sent out beforehand;
the Minister and Treasurer
will give their reports during the Chapter.**

Br. Pat will also share his reflections.

**Chapter is a privileged and graced moment for the Fraternity.
Please make it a point to attend.**



January 4	Joseph Driessen	January 16	Sylvia Stanik
January 5	Thomas Nozewski	January 17	Janice Litch
	Paul Catrow	January 19	Gloria Longueuil
January 7	Gary Johnson	January 21	Marie Fontanive
January 8	John Bodell	January 28	Beverly Hanus
	Tony Lienert	January 30	Kathleen Lang
January 10	Mary Lou Catino		Patricia Vail
January 15	Natalie Grabowski	January 31	Anne Samulak
			Alice Vier

Thanks from the Heart

On Friday, December 18, **Gina Rizzo** underwent surgery at Providence Hospital. A stent was placed in the artery in her neck and the operation was completely successful. Gina's now at home, taking it easy as the doctor ordered. She wants to thank everyone for their support, especially in prayer.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- January 3..... Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
January 8..... Christian Service at the Meldrum Soup Kitchen (10:30 am - 1 pm)
January 17..... Third Sunday gathering - CHAPTER (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)
February 7 Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
February 12 Christian Service at the Meldrum Soup Kitchen (10:30 am - 1 pm)
February 12 Fr. Solanus Cell meeting at 7:30 pm at the home of Paul and Mary Ann Bourgeau
February 21 Third Sunday gathering (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)
February 27 SFO Mass for Our Deceased (10:00 a.m.)
March 7 Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
March 12 Christian Service at the Meldrum Soup Kitchen (10:30 am - 1 pm)
March 21 SFO Day of Reflection (everyone at 11:00 a.m., bring a bag lunch)
April 4 Easter Sunday
April 9 Christian Service at the Meldrum Soup Kitchen (10:30 am - 1 pm)
April 11 Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
April 18 SFO Jubilarian Mass (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)
May 2 Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
May 16 Third Sunday gathering (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)
June 6 Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
June 13 Third Sunday gathering (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)
June 26 SFO Mass for Our Deceased (10:00 a.m.)
July 11 Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
July 18 SFO Picnic (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)
August 1 Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
August 15 Third Sunday gathering (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)
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 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 21 ... SFO Profession Mass (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)
December 5 Leadership Council meeting (2:30 p.m.)
December 19 Christmas Concert (Formation at noon, everyone at 1:30 p.m.)



*We wish you a merry christmas
and a happy new year.*

*May the joy, peace and love
spread from our house to
your house*

Leonard and Ona



Dylan Beck
2 years old
Acute myeloid leukemia

When Dylan's parents felt a lump on their 1-year-old son's abdomen, they knew something was not quite right. Heeding their parental intuition, they rushed their son to a local doctor, where an ultrasound showed the little boy had a deadly tumor on his kidney. Dylan's mom remembered the shock. She said, "I couldn't believe it. And then we started crying. We were devastated." The family was quickly referred to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Doctors at St. Jude sprang into action and started Dylan on a protocol of chemotherapy. He responded well to treatment, and his cancer went into remission. When his chemotherapy protocol was complete, Dylan underwent a transplant to receive his father's natural killer (NK) cells. NK cells are cellular assassins that target cancerous or virus-infected cells. If Dylan had any remaining leukemia cells in his body, the NK cells' job was to eliminate them. Today, Dylan remains cancer-free. Dylan's mom said, "St. Jude is an amazing place. It's just amazing that there's a place like that." Dylan is an energetic little boy who loves animals.

JANUARY 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 MARY, MOTHER OF GOD	2
3 EPIPHANY SFO COUNCIL: 2:30 PM	4	5	6	7	8 CHRISTIAN SERVICE MELDRUM KITCHEN 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM	9
10 BAPTISM OF JESUS	11	12 St. Joan of Arc: 1 PM	13	14	15	16
17 WEEK 2 ORD TIME CHAPTER OF AFFAIRS Candidates - 12 ALL: 1:30 PM	18	19	20	21 EMB Board: 10 AM	22 Bl. Luchesio: 7:30 PM Interfaith Justice & Peace: 7-9 PM	23
24 WEEK 3 ORD TIME	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 WEEK 4 ORD TIME						

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APPOINTMENTS

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Sylvia Stanik

Continuing Formation Commission:

Chuck & Bev Sapien (chairs)

Christian Service Commission:

Patricia Munafo (chair)

Hospitality Commission:

Teresa Westbrook-Lienert

& Tony Lienert (chairs)

Vocation Ministry:

Janet Bodell (chair)3

Eucharistic Mission Band (EMB):

To be announced

MEETING CONTACTS

(for Locations and Times of Meetings)

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

Faye Boland

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

Frank Liccardello

Third Sunday General SFO Meeting:

Chuck & Bev Sapien

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

(4th Friday, 7-9 PM):

Jo Marie Nardi

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