

The Poverello

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Minister's Letter

**CONGRATULATIONS EDMUND BECHARD AND CHARLES KOTCHER!!
NOVEMBER 21 AT 1:30PM -- PROFESSION MASS**

NOVEMBER 27 AT 10:00AM – MASS FOR THE DECEASED

DECEMBER 11- St. Joseph in Art Study Day; Sign-up on Eventbrite

Sisters and Brothers,

Congratulations to our newly elected Leadership Council:

Eileen Smith – Minister

Joe Quesnelle – Vice-Minister

Bernadette Mikowski – Secretary

Susan Barna Ayoub – Treasurer

Sylvia Snigier – Formation Minister

Doris Allen – Councilor

Ron Kessler – Councilor

Brittney Walendzik – Councilor

Sharon Kessler – Councilor

Jim Graczyk, our Divine Mercy Region Minister, presided over the election along with **Dawn Pulcer**, the Divine Mercy Region Treasurer and **Theresa Brown**, the Divine Mercy Region Secretary. **Fr. Bill Hugo**, **Bernadette Mikowski** and **Susan Ayoub** assisted in the elections, too. We are grateful for your service to our fraternity. The elections were very well organized and proceeded smoothly. Jim you and your team were awesome!!

Congratulations Doris Allen!! Doris has been appointed to serve as the JPIC Animator for the Divine Mercy Region. Let's support Doris in her efforts as she brings her JPIC enthusiasm to the region.

Our Profession Mass is November 21 at 1:30pm. Please plan to celebrate with **Ed** and **Charlie**. This is a big moment for them. We will be permanently welcoming them into our fraternity. They have been studying and discerning their vocation as a Secular Franciscan over the last couple of years. This is a deeper spiritual commitment to Jesus Christ and his church and one that we will be with them for all eternity.

We will celebrate the Sunday gospel - the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. This mass will cover our Sunday obligation. Dinner will be served after mass in the Solanus Center dining room.

ATTENTION ADORERS!! First Friday Adoration!

November 5 Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 to 4:00pm.

December 3 Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 to 4:00pm -- Contact Eileen to sign-up

At noon there will be benediction. I appreciate those who committed to be adorers for November. Even if you aren't signed-up join us for adoration. I'm hoping to get more than 1 Secular Franciscan in the chapel for each hour. Come and participate. This is considered service and a spiritual work of mercy.

Saturday, November 27 at 10:00am – Mass for our deceased. Please join us for our mass for our deceased members. Rule 24: To foster communion among members, the council should organize regular and frequent meetings of the community as well as meeting with other Franciscan groups, especially with youth groups. It should adopt appropriate means for growth in Franciscan and ecclesial life and encourage everyone to a life of fraternity. This communion continues with deceased brothers and sisters through prayer for them.

December 11 St. Joseph in Art Study Day – Signup on Eventbrite.

We are co-hosting with the Solanus Center an advent day of reflection – St. Joseph in Art. It promises to be a fun-filled day. We are responsible for the continental breakfast items. At our November gathering there will be a sign-up sheet for items.

This event replaces our December 19 gathering. There will be no December 19 gathering.

We anticipate the limited number of spaces will go fast. Please sign-up on Eventbrite. There is a \$20.00 sign-up donation to cover the cost of lunch and Solanus Center expenses. Eventbrite link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-joseph-in-art-study-day-tickets-200031127487>

Schedule

- 9:30 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast
- 10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church
- 10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Session 1
- 11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Break
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Session 2
- 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. Lunch
- 1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. Session 3
- 2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Break
- 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Session 4
- 4:00 p.m. Mass for 3rd Sunday of Advent in Church

We continue to collect white towels and socks for the Capuchin Shower Program.

It's easy to be thankful for the good things. A life of rich fulfillment comes to those who are also thankful for the setbacks. Gratitude can turn a negative into a positive. Find a way to be thankful for your troubles, and they can become your blessings.

Wishing you and your families a Blessed Thanksgiving.

Peace and Blessings,

Eileen

Reflection

Renewal of Commitment (Ritual of the Secular Franciscan Order page 31)

“Let us bless our Lord and God, living and true: to him we must attribute all praise, glory, honor, blessing, and every good forever.”

We thank you, Lord, for calling us to the Secular Franciscan Order. We ask your pardon for all our shortcomings, weaknesses, and transgressions against our commitment to the gospel life and against the rule. We pray that you will allow us to experience once again the fervor and readiness of that first day when we entered the fraternity. We renew once again our commitment to the gospel life, according to the Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order, until the end of our days. Grant also that we may live in harmony with our brothers and sisters, and may give witness to younger people of the great gift we received from you: our Franciscan calling to “go forth as witnesses and instruments of the Church’s mission among all people, proclaiming Christ by our life and words.”

November Monthly Prayer Request for Priests

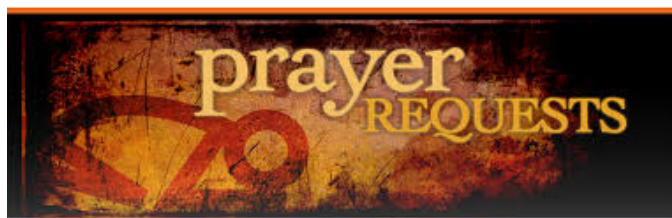
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Rev. Z. Zomerfeld	2 Rev. M. Zuelch	3 Rev. N. Zukowski	4 Rev. L. Zurawski	5 Rev. L. Acervo, Rev. R. Adams	6 Rev. E. Addari, S.D.C.
7 Rev. D. Ahern	8 Rev. R. Albright, S.J.	9 Rev. J. Allan, Rev. C. Altermatt	10 Rev. M. Amore, Rev. R. Anderson	11 Rev. J. Andres, O.F.M. CAP	12 Rev. D. Archambault	13 Rev. K. Arokiasamy
14 Rev. J.P. Arul, M.S.F.S.	15 Rev. Raymond Arwady	16 Rev. James Arwady	17 Rev. R. Babich	18 Rev. P. Ballien, Rev. G. Banazak	19 Rev. A. Baranowski	20 Rev. R. Bartoszek
21 Most Rev. G. Battersby	22 Rev. K. Battu, S.A.C.	23 Rev. R. Bauer, Rev. G. Bechard	24 Rev. D. Bechill, Rev. T. Belczak	25 Rev. G. Berendt, P.I.M.E.	26 Rev. J. Bertin, M.C.	27 Rev. J. Bettin, Rev. D. Bignall
28 Rev. J. Bilot, Rev. T. Birney	29 Rev. J. Bjorum, Rev. D. Blazek	30 Rev. R. Blondell				

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- 1.....Mary Williams
- 3.....Ron Kessler
- 4.....James Heymes
- 8.....Connie Musial
- 11.....Dan Gabriel
- 22.....Caroline Florescu
- 23.....Nobert Chmielarczyk
- 23.....Salina De La Rosa
- 24.....Stella Mordarski
- 25.....Julia Ertzbischoff-Donahue
- 28.....Paula Jerzy

FRANCISCAN Holy Days

- November 4 – St. Charles Borromeo
- November 7 – St. Didacus of Alcala
- November 13 – St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
- November 14 – St. Nicholas Tavelic
- November 17 – St. Elizabeth of Hungary
- November 18 – Blessed Salome
- November 19 – St. Agnes of Assisi
- November 24 – Commemoration of All Deceased of the Franciscan Orders
- November 26 – St. Leonard of Port Maurice
- November 28 – St. James of the March
- November 29 – All Saints of the Franciscan Orders
- November 29 – St. Francis Fasani



Members of our Fraternity

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| Lettie Aguilar | Patricia Long |
| Dan and Jan Atkinson | Ilene Manning & Family |
| Claire Boutain | Stella Mordarski |
| Joyce Brouillette | Ray Mylenek |
| Jerry Borycz | Jo Marie Nardi |
| Pat Cardellio | Mary Poole |
| Sophia Cisneros | Barbara Pardington |
| Sidney Davis | Diane Raymond |
| Salina De La Rosa | Marilyn Ricard |
| Julia Ertzbischoff-Donahue | Mary Saber |
| Daniel Gabriel | Joe Sapian |
| James Heymes | Bridget Schultz |
| Gary Johnson | Ben Stapel |
| Joyce Kaminski | Anna Tyler |
| Esther Kelley | Terry Westbrook-Lienert |

*Please help to keep our prayer list up-to-date. Call:
Jacqueline Hale at*

Relatives needing prayers

- Theresa Brannigan, daughter-in-law of Marguerite
- Tiffany Fogg, niece of Daniel Gabriel
- Ron Gray, friend of Melissa Lindow
- Alice Greene, sister of Hank Forys
- Denise Joseph, daughter of Louis
- David Kaminsky, son of Joyce Kaminsky
- Frances Krempasky, daughter of Mary Krempasky
- Luke, grandson of Mary Krempasky
- Patricia McCleary, mother of Therese Joseph
- Thomas McCleary, brother of Therese Joseph
- Jean Nozewski, wife of Thomas Nozewski
- Kathleen Penridge, cousin of Julia Ertzbischoff-Donahue
- Karen Plousse, daughter of Joyce Kaminsky
- Theresa Poole, mother of Mary
- Jim Smith, grandson of Claire Boutain
- Tom Sherfield, son-in-law of Claire Boutain
- Sandra Woods Family
- Denise Maltese, mother of Brittney Walenzik
- Melanie Corcoran, sister of Brittney Walenzik

Students, Faculty, and Staff of Regina High School



November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 ALL SAINTS DAY BD: Mary Williams	2 ALL SOULS DAY	3 BD: Ron Kessler	4 BD: James Heymes	5	6
7 <i>Pss Wk IV</i>	8 BD: Connie Musial	9	10	11 BD: Dan Gabriel	12	13 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Council Meeting
14 <i>Pss Wk I</i>	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 PROFESSION MASS 1:30 p.m. <i>Pss Prop</i>	22 BD: Caroline Florescu	23 BD: Nobert Chmielarczyk BD: Salina De La Rosa	24 BD: Stella Mordarski	 25 BD: Fr. Solanus BD: Julia Ertzbischoff-Donahue	26	27 MASS FOR DECEASED MEMBERS 10:00 a.m.
28 BD: Paula Jerzy <i>Pss Wk I</i>	29	30				

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Sharon Kessler.....

Brittney Walendzik.....

Spiritual Assistant:

Fr. Bill Hugo

APPOINTMENTS

Continuing Formation Coordinator:

Joseph Quesnelle

Gospel Happenings Coordinator:

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Healing Service Social Coordinators:

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Hospitality co-Coordiators:

Julia Ertzbischoff-Donohue

Infirmarian:

Jacqueline Hale

Caring Hearts

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JPIC Coordinator:

Doris Allen

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MAKING FRATERNITY HAPPEN

Our Fraternity gathers on the Third Sunday of every month. For more information, contact:

Eileen Smith.....

FRATERNITY MINISTRY OUTREACH:

HEALING PRAYER SERVICE SOCIAL

Wednesdays at 2 PM

FRANCISCAN MINISTRIES

2nd Saturday of each month

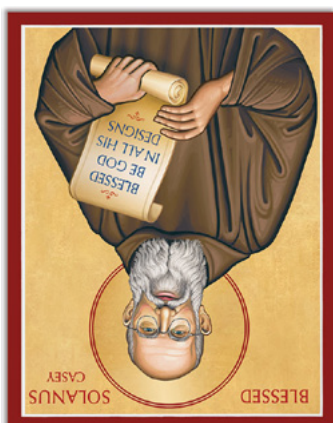
10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Franciscan Ministries Office next to St. Aloysius

FRANCISCAN BOOK DISCUSSION

Prior to each of our monthly meetings, from 12:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., a Franciscan Book Discussion group gathers in the Solanus Center Library for anyone interested. For more information, contact:

Jacqueline Hale at



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