



Good News Report

Secular Franciscan Order
Trillium Regional Fraternity



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LETTER FROM MINISTER

Dear Friends in Christ

Every November we celebrate the memorial of St. Elizabeth of Hungary. This year I ran across this quote from the Franciscan Media that so beautifully expresses our mission of charity as Secular Franciscans

"Elizabeth understood well the lesson Jesus taught when he washed his disciples' feet at the Last Supper: The Christian must be one who serves the humblest needs of others, even if one serves from an exalted position."

This statement was witnessed to so eloquently by the many fraternities I had the opportunity to visit this fall. From Kingston to Windsor to North Bay - fraternities are active, in season and out, in serving the lonely and those in need both locally and internationally. In Guelph they package goods for the street people for Christmas as do folks in Woodbridge. From Brampton to Sarnia they work with Dr. Simone. And the outpouring of love for people in need in the Philippines is unprecedented. These days the opportunities to minister to the humblest of needs of others know no bounds and the Secular Franciscans from the Trillium Region have been most generous.

The visits to the Fraternities are always occasions for great joy. The diversity of members and the locale are but incidental to the Franciscan Spirit of the members, so evident across the Region. It is my hope that these visits are also occasions for exchange of ideas and a genuine opportunity for building up the body known as the Trillium Secular Franciscan Family.

This fall also the National Fraternity called on all regions to meet at Loretteville for a spiritual renewal on the topic of *Faith in Christ: following the footsteps of Francis in our world*. The animator of the conference was Deacon Maurice Prindiville, OFS, of St. Elizabeth of Hungary Fraternity. This was a wonderful weekend in which we had an opportunity to renew our spirit and to rest in the Lord. We thank our National Fraternity for a well organized weekend. (continued page 2)



SPIRITUAL ASSISTANT

Address given by Fr. Peter Knaapen OFM Conv.
at Midland, Ontario on June 23, 2013

HISTORY OF THE TRILLIUM REGION Part Two

(Part One was reprinted in the Fall 2013 Good News Report)

"Trillium" was the secular name chosen for the new regional fraternity. I need to point out that the National decided that the Regions should choose names describing their location rather than a Saint's name. So Trillium was chosen. It is the name of the official flower of Ontario and easily identified the territory we represented. Trillium not only called to mind our Triune God but also symbolised the three secular provinces coming together in a unity as a new regional fraternity. St Clare was chosen as our Patron Saint.

The conference of major superiors wrote a letter to Richard as the chair of the steering committee, approving the structural changes and affirming their commitment to providing spiritual assistance to the new Secular Franciscan Region. They also appointed Fr Celestine Pennisi as the first Regional Spiritual Assistant.

A formal request was made to the National Council to approve the establishment of the new Region of Trillium. The names of the 26 fraternities were on this request and it was signed by the executive of the secular provinces on March 29, 1993.

The first Chapter was held June 26, 1993 at Loretto College, Toronto. The first elected council was Richard Juneau - Minister, Pauline Juneau - Vice Minister, Jim Vasey - Secretary, Mildred Cope - Treasurer, Sylvia Lauzon - Director of Formation and Fr Celestine as Spiritual Assistant. Doug Clorey presided at the election.

Doug made the following comment: *It is evident that a significant amount of work has taken place within the Provinces of St. Francis of Assisi and Good Shepherd with respect to regionalization of the Order. This work climaxed with the establishment of the Trillium Regional Fraternity, the first regional fraternity to be established under the approved Terms of Reference for regionalization in Canada. Members of the Region-*



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At this meeting we were also asked to consider an invitation from the International Fraternity for direction. All Secular Franciscans will be formally asked to reflect upon and express their sentiments on the direction of the entire Order. This is much in keeping with the practices of the first and the second order of Franciscans. The international Chapter of Elections is called for the Fall of 2014. Preceding this event, a summary of recommendations from all National Fraternities will be forwarded to the capitulars for consideration. More specific information will be forthcoming in the New Year.

As we approach the Christmas season we cannot help but reflect upon the love of our Lord and the wonderful environment we live in. Already we are looking forward with anticipation to the profession of new members in many of our Fraternities in the year 2014 while we give thanks for the sixteen new vocations the Region was gifted by the Holy Spirit in 2013. Sadly we said our good byes to eight of our beloved members as they were called home this year.

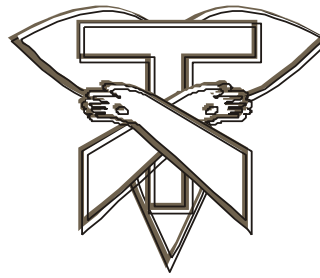
In some families it is the tradition to reflect on the events of the past year as we gather around the family crèche. With joy we greeted our two new Fraternities, and those Fraternities that were canonically established this year. We give thanks for the happy and productive ministers meeting in May and those who gathered for our twentieth anniversary celebration in June. We reminisce on the many new elections and local gatherings where we spoke of the Lord's great goodness to us in granting us new friends in professions and in new leaderships.

In looking ahead to the New Year 2014, once again we look forward to new joys and challenges locally and regionally. Among them we find: the Regional Chapter of Elections in May at Ancaster, the updating of our Statutes, and to the expression of our hopes for renewed direction for this Region. There will be a number of local Chapters of Elections and many more visits. Spiritual renewal within Fraternities and retreats will be a dominant consideration. Finding new Spiritual Assistants to help with fraternal life is high on the agenda of many local Fraternities as is our hope for a favourable response from Rome to our petition on the same subject. In some cases the need for renewal of leadership and related training is a priority. For all these purposes we need to ask and pray that, through the intercession of St. Francis and St. Clare, the Lord will grant us the strength and the means to carry out His will for us.

I wish you all a holy and blessed Christmas and a prosperous and peaceful New Year.

Les Alberti ofs.

alization Steering Committee are to be com-



mended for (History, continued from page 1) their dedication and commitment to the process of regionalization. (continued page 2) The support provided by the Provincial Min-

isters/Superiors of the First Order and Third Order Regulars was particularly impressive. Congratulations!

It was noted at the time of the creation of the Trillium Region that the 26 fraternities varied considerably in their knowledge of the structure of the Secular Franciscan Order, in their knowledge of the organization and animation of the local fraternity, in their understanding the Secular Franciscan vocation, in their promoting & discerning of vocations, in providing both initial and ongoing formation, and in demonstrating the responsibility that each member has to give service to the Order.

So a set of standard norms was established to help everyone understand better who and what there are. These standards were:

- 1) an elected Council consisting of a Minister, Vice-Minister, Secretary, Treasurer, and Formation Director and that one could not hold two positions.
- 2) regular meetings of the fraternity with a common outline for meetings.
- 3) regular meetings of the Council to foster fraternal life, and to sustain their witness and commitment in the world; (see GC Art. 50)
- 4) a register noting admissions and professions, transfers and deaths
- 5) a register of the minutes of the Council meetings
- 6) a register of the minutes of regular Fraternity meetings - noting attendance, with a brief description of the business conducted, the form of prayer used, the form of fraternity study or activity, and fraternal socializing;
- 7) an annual budget noting the financial needs of the fraternity
- 8) a financial ledger recording dates of deposits and withdrawals, purpose of expenses and common fund balance; *(continued)*

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- 9) that initial formation should be separate from the regular fraternity meetings;
- 10) ongoing formation should aid ongoing conversion, including study of the 1978 RULE and the 1990 General Constitutions and examining how they apply to us, going from Gospel to life and life to Gospel;
- 11) promoting the sense of fraternity as a community; that fraternity is a privileged place where we can experience Church in an especially intimate and mutually supportive way
- 12) a commitment to serve the fraternity in a variety of ways.

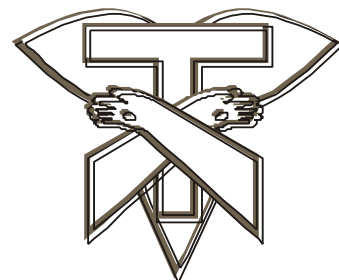
During the time of regionalization and the first few years of the Trillium Region much emphasis was given to getting to know each other, to interaction between fraternities, to a standard program for initial formation and to deepening our understanding of the vocation of the Secular Franciscan. All these are still priorities for our region.

I like to share some words with you from that first Chapter. The first is part of Richard Juneau address which I found in one the files. ... *Each one of us is co-responsible for the good of the Secular Franciscan Order at all levels. Secular Franciscans comprise the largest segment of the Franciscan Family and are understood to be "co-bearers of the charism". In addition to sharing many aspects of mission with religious Franciscans, we have particular responsibility towards renewal of the marketplace: promoting the sanctity of the family, valuing work as gift for the betterment of humankind and the building of the kingdom, being in the forefront through courageous initiatives to promote justice and peace in human affairs, and to protect & preserve our environment.*

Doug Clorey who was the National minister gave a short exhortation on "Our Call as Secular Franciscans." He had this to say: ... *So, to what have we been called as Secular Franciscans? The very first verses of the General Constitutions set the tone: All the faithful are called to holiness (GC Art. 1). Therein lies the basis of all we are and all we do. The call to holiness is the cornerstone of our Franciscan vocation. As Secular Franciscans, we have recognized God's call to holiness and have responded to this call in a very particular way. We, not only see ourselves drawn to the Father individually, but we see ourselves drawn to him in community ... in fraternity. The fraternity is the vehicle that we have chosen to be our source of support in becoming holy. As a fraternity, we are called to build up the Kingdom of God by our presence in our own life-situations and in our temporal activities (GC Art. 3.2). We must therefore remember that holiness is not primarily developed in isolation. While individual prayer and devotion sustain us, our holiness bears fruit through our interactions with others. That is why our choice to grow in holiness through a life in fraternity is so important.*

Two months after the establishment of the Trillium Region, the General Chapter of the SFO was held in Mexico from October 9-17, 1993. It reflected on the topic of Secularity as a characteristic element of Secular Franciscan identity. It was stated that for a long time, the SFO had functioned as a pious association of persons devote to Saint Francis, in the widespread conviction that the spiritual life is distinct and separate from the needs and experiences of everyday life. As Secular Franciscans we are called to render witness that the sacred is strongly present in the world, to live a life in which one can hear the canticle of Saint Francis, and to introduce the Gospel of Christ in all aspects of modern life. We are called to witness - with our faith, our example and our actions – the mystery of Christ's incarnation in our own body and in our activities lived in the day to day situations of our life.

I will end with some statistics. In 1993 there were 26 Fraternities that formed the new region of the Trillium; today they are 23 Fraternities, with 4 emerging fraternities and 2 fraternities that we hope to revive. We had between 350 and 425 member in 1993 and have 500 – 600 today. Several fraternities became inactive, St George, Crystal Beach; St John Bosco, Peterborough; St. Mary, Hamilton; and St. Mary, Blenheim. St Lawrence, Scarborough (changed name to St Francis and St Clare). However we gained four new fraternities and there are three more on the way: St John Vianney, Don Mills; St Peter, Woodbridge; St Maximilian Kolbe, Mississauga; Mount Alverna, Caledon Hills; and the emerging fraternities of San Damian in London, St Pio in North Bay, and St Jane Francis in North York. We are now a multicultural Region with two Korean Fraternities, One Polish Fraternity and one Italian Fraternity.



FROM THE FORMATION CORNER

Greetings Brothers and Sisters!

The awesome season of Christmas, which Francis loved so much, is again upon us. As we reflect on the journey of St. Francis, we see and feel his enthusiasm and heart-felt devotion to the Incarnation. It is through Christ's birth that we as well, as did Francis, discover the meaning of our lives, the dignity of the human person, and the goodness of creation. Francis grew in compassionate love, like Christ, willing to give his life for the sake of others unconditionally. There are three aspects of Francis's evangelical world view – creation – incarnation – human person. The only work, brothers and sisters is to imitate Christ and to make that experience of Christ available to others.

Christ was in a manger, outside Bethlehem, sanctifying all of creation by just being there. There was no Santa, no Christmas trees, no gift giving, but Christ gave us a gift – a sharing in His life and His own divine and human nature. - The real meaning of Christmas!! He helps us to become the people we were meant to be – sons and daughters of God and yes, heirs of His kingdom. In His name what gifts can we give to others??? – the gift of our time – a time to remember those at the margins of our own personal worlds – a friend or relative with whom we have lost touch – a neighbour with no family to share the holidays with – the sick – the poor – the lonely. Do what you can to help someone remember how special they are. Don't be afraid in this busy and material world, to speak up and stand up – "Merry Christmas" – not Happy Holidays. This Christmas reflect and meditate on the Birth of Our Saviour and then go forth and make an effort to share your faith (you don't always have to use words).

I recently sent to all formation directors the fun manual via on-line. If you did not receive it please contact me at - donnadooling@gmail.com

I pray that all of you and your families have a Blessed, Holy, and Joyous Christmas!!! Peace and ALL Good

Donna Dooling ofs



TREASURER'S LETTER

The Season of the Senses

We are going back to Greccio to the year 1223. We feel great excitement in the air as the townspeople are scurrying about gathering torches and wood, hay and rocks. We watch in amazement as the night falls and everyone processes through the fields and forests to the place that has been prepared. There is no darkness here as the light is as bright as day. Oh the sweet smell of the freshly cut hay. It was just cut today. It has been perfectly laid about for the comfort of the Holy Family and the animals.

We wait.

Behold, here he comes! Francis himself has arrived. Francis smiles as he sees the townspeople gathered. He smiles when he sees the ox and the ass. He beams when he sees the manger scene just as he had imagined. The Brothers begin to sing their hymns of praises. Can you hear their voices loud and clear? Then Francis gently approaches the manger and sighs. There simplicity is honoured, poverty exalted and love fills the air.

Mass begins.

Francis goes forth and proclaims the Gospel in song. Can you hear his strong, sweet and clear voice? Then Francis preaches. He speaks charming words concerning the Nativity of the poor King and the little town of Bethlehem. Francis called the Babe simply the Child of Bethlehem. When speaking these words his mouth was filled more with sweet affection than with words. He licked his lips as if to savour the sweetness of the words.

Taste the Word!

Francis once again bows before the manger but this time look! He bends and rouses the Holy Babe from its sleep. Gently, very gently he lifts the Child. Behold; His gentle touch. That Child of Bethlehem has filled the hearts of the faithful in Greccio. Open our own hearts and let the Child enter today. Return often this season to Greccio and Bethlehem. Gaze upon the Christ Child. Consider all your senses and enlighten them. Contemplate the great joy of the scene. Imitate the simplicity of St. Francis.



Catherine Payne ofs

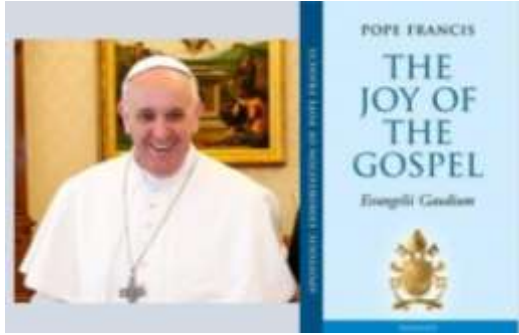


YOUTH COORDINATOR'S LETTER

Peace and All Goodness,

Advent is my favourite season because it is a season of Joy, Expectation, Expectation, and Anticipation and great Hope.

This is what we experience whenever awaiting the birth of a baby.



Pope Francis has just released the document "The Joy of the Gospel". It is a reminder that the Gospel, which moved St. Francis in all he was

and did, still urges us to continual birth of fruits borne from Gospel living. The proclamation of the Good News of Jesus Christ should bring life to our families, our relationships, our community and our world!!

Let us rejoice that Aaron Arbuckle and Lisamarie Trudel will attend CCO's 'Rise-Up' in Ottawa and are overseeing a table for YouFra. Are there any fraternities who may be able to supply prayer cards, book, calendars or medals etc to be given out to young adults?

Our Facebook activity has increased. Not only do we have new members from Brampton and Chicago, but the files of Franciscan articles are being read.

More Good News: released this fall are new YOUTH ALPHA videos which appeals to Teens or Young Adults. Watch the promo video (*see link below**) Enthusiastically inform Youth Ministers, Teachers and Pastors about YOUTH ALPHA and suggest Youth be invited to screen this series for the purpose of evaluating it. This series has proved a wonderful springboard for discussion. The questions are on the video. Pause and discuss. Anticipate a follow-up with the exploration of St. Francis as a model of the Christian life.

In a society hooked on overspending in this season, let us remember the gift we have been given to share with our world: the presence of our Brother St. Francis. He expected God to provide everything. His life has given and does give great hope to millions of people. How? His presence leads us to the Good News, who is Jesus Himself!

May your presence bring joy, hope and birth to the presence of Jesus as you gather with Family and Friends to celebrate love come to earth. Peace,
Silvana Rossi Loughheed

ST. ANGELA DE FOLIGNO

On October 9th, Pope Francis declared Blessed Angela de Foligno a saint. Saint Angela of Foligno is a Secular Franciscan. She is our sister, a lay woman, and a mother in the fullest sense. She is a mother of the children born of her womb and prematurely lost, a mother of the disinherited for whom she sold her earthly possessions, and a mother to her spiritual sons and daughters who remained at her side till the end of her life.

Living a daily life of prayer, Saint Angela is a master guide. The secret of her conversion and her union with Christ crucified, is constant prayer. "*The more you pray*", she would say, "*the more you will be enlightened; (...) the more profoundly and intensely you will see him, the more you will love him.*"

"Without heavenly light, no man can be saved.... if you wish to gain possession of this light, pray...; if you wish to increase this light within you, pray; if you want faith, pray; if you want hope, pray; if you want charity, pray; if you want poverty, pray; if you want true obedience, pray; if you want chastity, pray; for whatever the virtue you seek, pray.

And pray in this way: by reading in the Book of Life, that is, in the life of

the One who is God and man, Jesus Christ" (Instruction II, lines 229 ss.).

Pope (emeritus) Benedict XIV said of Saint Angela of Foligno:

This identification with Jesus equally signifies living what Jesus himself lived: poverty, contempt and sorrow, because, as she declared, "through temporal poverty, the soul will find eternal riches; through contempt and shame, it will obtain supreme honor and very great glory; through penance, undertaken with pain and sorrow, it will possess with infinite sweetness and consolation the Supreme Good, God Eternal" (Benedict XVI 2010 10 13)



SECRETARY'S LETTER

The Secular Franciscans of St. Joseph the Worker Fraternity in Port Elgin are getting ready for the third year of their Living Nativity. The costumes were sewn and put together by a small group of Fraternity members and fellow sewers. A high school student enjoyed the day helping out and got a few volunteer hours for her work.

The stable was built by a parishioner, the father of seven, who is a hobby-carpenter. It was constructed with cedar for longevity and comes apart in sections for easier set-up.

The small stable will be displayed to the left of the front doors of St. Joseph's church. The scene takes place a half hour before both Christmas Eve Masses, one at 5:30 pm and the other at 10:30 pm. The school children get involved as angels and shepherds. There is soft music in the background, and the scene is in place with Franciscans playing the roles of Mary and Joseph. It is a quiet scene, with some movement from the children as they try to get comfortable on and around the straw bales placed around the stable. They follow the only instruction given and that is to keep their eyes on baby Jesus. This

year, with the help of a local farmer, there will be the addition of live sheep.

The scene is arranged so that as the people come up to the church, they become part of the tableau. Most stop to pause on their way in and many photos are taken.

Father Franjo invites the angels and shepherds to process into the church at the beginning of Mass. Baby Jesus is carried by a chosen cherub during the opening hymn, and gently placed in the manger at the foot of the altar.

As we prepare during this season of Advent, we ourselves pause to thank St. Francis for the inspiration to bring to life the Blessed event of the stable scene. "Francis' focus on Christmas as the Feast of Feasts and the manifestation of God's love, gave birth to a new understanding of the Incarnation." Roch Niemier, O.F.M.

We wish a Merry Christmas to all our Franciscan brothers and Sisters of the Trillium Region.

St. Francis, pray for us.
Lucie Desbiens

Local Fraternity Bulletin Board

ST. BONAVENTURE FRATERNITY, TORONTO

In the past several months, St Bonnie's Fraternity has had some wonder-filled events.

A new council assumed new duties in June. We thank God for ongoing support and coaching from our past ministers/Formation directors, (Bonnie Beverley, David Mitchel) and our current Spiritual Assistant, Friar Canice Connors.

St Bonnie's SFO and the parish Youth and Friars also hosted the



Transitus in October. Many of our Korean brothers and sisters, from St John Vianney Fraternity, came bearing gifts (a huge Sushi Tray and sooo much joy). We also welcomed Secular Franciscans from Maximillian Kolbe Mississauga, Immaculate Conception and St Benedict the Black Fraternities. All brought their warm and fraternal love with them. A Big Thanks to all who shared this special day with us. The Transitus cake revealed a baker's error and Poor St Francis was said to have died before he was born. Oh well! It made for fun commentaries and delicious eating. *(continued on page 7)*

(*St Bonaventure, continued from page 6*) Finally, some of our fraternity members were thrilled to attend the Mini Regional meeting sponsored by St Felix of Cantalice Fraternity. What a tremendous blessing this was in every way. Great Food! Great Spirit of Service and humility! Wonderful JPIC presentation by Br Alan! Super Formation Information from Cathy Payne(standing in for Donna Dooling)! Relevant Regional updates by Les Alberti! As importantly, we all especially enjoyed sharing friendship and ideas with Secular Franciscans from other fraternities. This simply blessed and enriched us all. Many Thanks to the Trillium Regional and St Felix of Cantalice Fraternity.

Peace, joy and wishes to all for a Blessed Christmas.

CANONICAL ESTABLISHMENT OF ST CLAIRE OF ASSISI FRATERNITY , MIDLAND



ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE FRATERNITY, TORONTO

November 9-10 , 2013, our Franciscan Fraternity at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish had their retreat at the Carmelite sisters in St. Agatha nearby Kitchener. The retreat was open to all who wanted to hear more about the charisma and path of St. Francis of Assisi.

Father Sylvester Hasnik, polish Franciscan priests, led the retreat teaching. He was invited by our Franciscan Fraternity at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish to proclaim the Word of God. Retreat was held in Polish but there were two interpreters, who passed it in English and Spanish as well. There were a lot of people from different parishes who participated, many of them from Spanish-speaking communities.

Father Sylvester is a well-known Franciscan not only among Poles but also other parts of the World. He conducted retreats in many other countries outside Polish borders. He preached Franciscan teachings in England, Spain, Norway. He was already several times in Canada, and recently even in Colombia and Ecuador, where he lectured a retreat for about 5000 worshippers.

The theme of our retreat was: Helping and sharing of goods with others who are in need so through this we can show our brotherly love and respect for another human being.

The retreat was a large source of wonderful messages for us. We learned how to love and share and we were invited to do so. We were encouraged to follow St. Francis' way.

In those two days we participated also in the Holy Masses and in the prayers before the exposed Blessed Sacrament, and through the exposed Blessed Sacrament the Priest blessed all of us individually.

Father Sylvester had brought the relics of St. Francis of Assisi, through which he requested graces for all of us individually. This 2-day lasting retreat was a spiritual feast for our hungry souls. The meetings ended in shared coffee and cake for which we were all invited.



COUNCIL ELECTIONS

St Claire of Assisi Fraternity, Midland, October 4, 2013

Minister	Florence Carson ofs
Vice Minister	Ellie Vanden Heuvel ofs
Secretary	Carmelina Farrugia ofs
Treasurer	Richard Juneau ofs
Formation Director	Deacon William Carson ofs
Youth Advisor	Lisa Theriault ofs

Mary Queen of Peace Fraternity from Hanover, October 20, 2013

Minister:	Gary Agombar ofs
Vice Minister, Formation Director:	Maureen Whelan ofs
Treasurer	Peter Agombar ofs

St. Maximillian Kolbe Fraternity, Kingston, Nov.1, 2013

Minister	Victor Clarke ofs
Vice Minister	Diane Gagne ofs
Secretary	Bob Howard ofs
Treasurer	Len Fardella ofs
Formation Director	Theresa Miller ofs

St Benedict the Black Emerging Fraternity, Streestville Nov.1, 2013

Minister	Victor Clarke ofs
Vice Minister	Diane Gagne ofs
Secretary	Bob Howard ofs
Treasurer	Len Fardella ofs
Formation Director	Theresa Miller ofs

St. Angela Merici Fraternity Oshawa, Nov 10, 2013

Minister	Teresa Wiechweg ofs
Vice Minister	Doris Leger ofs
Secretary	Irene McEvers ofs
Treasurer	Elizabeth Faria ofs
Formation Director	Donna Marks ofs

Queen of Peace Fraternity, Madoc, Nov. 10, 2013

Minister	Don MacAlister ofs
Vice Minister	Gudrun Wegner ofs
Secretary	Colleen MacAlister ofs
Treasurer	Mike Painter ofs
Formation Director	Jackie Flagler ofs

St. Anne Fraternity, Tecumseh, Nov. 17, 2013

Minister	John Vajdik ofs
Vice Minister	Marie Vajdik ofs
Secretary	Bert Van Berlo
Treasurer	Silvana Alvarez
Formation Director	Luis Alvarez

OBITUARIES

St. Anne Fraternity, Tecumseh

Frances Dickinson ofs, September 2, 2013
 Marie-Louse Hayes ofs, September 20, 2013
 Carol Miller ofs, September 25, 2013

PROFESSIONS

St. John Vianney Fraternity, Toronto,

August 18, 2013.

Jemma Shin-Bae Shin, ofs,
 Stella Kyung-Sook Choi, ofs,
 Beladette Woo-Ae Shin, ofs,
 Martha Young-Sook Kang, ofs,
 Rosemary Eunsoo Kwak, ofs

St. Mary of the Angels Fraternity, Welland,

November 17, 2013

Louise Cowan ofs,
 Valerie Norris ofs

CANDIDATES

St. Francis Fraternity in Toronto, welcome John Carsone and Anne-Marie Vogel into Candidacy and Formation on November 12, 2013.

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is the official newsletter of the Secular Franciscan Order, Trillium Region. We aim to publish it in the middle to the end of September, December, March & June.

Any items you wish to include are warmly welcomed and will be published space permitting. Articles may be sent by the 8th of the month of publishing, to *Deacon Maurice Prindiville, ofs, mprindiville@golden.net* Note: If you no longer wish to receive the newsletter, please let us know as above.

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