

THE PORTER

ST CONRAD'S FRATERNITY, ST MARGARET OF CORTONA REGION,
SEVERNA PARK, MARYLAND

JUNE 2020

"God first wills Christ as his supreme work." - Bl John Duns Scotus

PRAYER REQUESTS

For the spiritual and physical healing of...

Kellie Eye (grand daughter of Susan Grief) ▫ Katherine Henry (daughter-in-law of Mary Henry) ▫ Mary Henry and her niece ▫ Mary Jo Johnson ▫ Bill Kvetkas, (husband of Joan Kvetkas) ▫ Joe McGeady ▫ John McHugh (brother of Joe McHugh) ▫ Michelle niece of Denise Mianta ▫ Bill Mulqueen ▫ Ruth Shea's husband ▫ Evelyn Jone's niece ▫ Jimmy Wilbourne (son of Genny Wilbourne).

And for all those who are in need of prayers and are absent from this list.

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." - John 1: 1*

JUNE BIRTHDAY'S

22 - Lita Milan

" He is the image* of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation." - Colossians 1: 15*

PROFESSION ANNIVERSARIES

6.12.79 - Emily McGeady

"Christ, as a human being, shares with all creatures; indeed he possesses being with rocks, lives among the plants, senses with animals, and understands with angels." - St Bonaventure

FRATERNITY MEETING

Postponed.

St Bonaventure tells us, "...he (St Francis) would call creatures, no matter how small, by the name of 'brother' or 'sister.'"

TREASURY

Checking Account Balance: \$1,662.28 (As of June 5, 2020)

Please remember that checks should go to our treasurer Joseph McHugh, 1740 Tedbury Street, Crofton, MD 21114

If you are donating by check and want to designate part of the money toward bus passes, please indicate this (with the amount you want to give) in the "MEMO" space at the bottom of your check.

LAUDATO SI', mi' Signore: - "Praise be you, my Lord" - St Francis

APOSTOLATES

Lighthouse Shelter Lunches Postponed ▫ We will continue to provide the Shelter with some cash donation each month so they can shop and make lunches inside the Shelter.

Fraternity still helps to support the purchase of bus passes for residents - Residents of the Shelter use them to travel to/from work, Dr. appointments, etc. St. Conrad has presented the Shelter 100 all-day bus passes (cost: \$200) quarterly for the past several years. The Shelter is so grateful for these because the cost of these passes would have to come out of their operating budget.

Phoenix Academy Backpack Program Postponed ▫ The school is closed since March. We continue to provide the Phoenix Academy with a cash donation to assist some of the teachers and staff in need. We will start up the program once we hear from the school's social specialist and coordinator of the backpack program.

Franciscan Family Apostolate #1178 ▫ Franciscan Family Apostolate: This is the only apostolate that is funded directly from the Fraternity's General Treasury and is always \$100 per month to a particular family in need in India. The Fraternity has been supporting this apostolate for several years and we are now donating to our second family in the state of Kerala, India. Over this past year and a half, you should have read the stories in the PORTER of our newest family that has been referred to us. I would like to thank all of you for donating monthly in support of our Fraternity and its services near and far.

****If you have any questions, contact Denise via e-mail at:
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Deus Meus et Omnia: "My God and All Things!" - Franciscan Coat of Arms

SAVE THE DATE

October 10, 2020 Br. Rigo's ordination to priesthood. Pittsburgh, PA

September 10 – October 4, 2020 SEASON OF CREATION

Christians across the world are walking in spirit toward care for the earth our common home. Learn more by visiting SeasonofCreation.org

August 18-22, 2021 Quinquennial in Phoenix, AZ

"The Word is living, being, spirit, all verdant greening, all creativity. This Word manifests itself in every creature." — Saint Hildegard of Bingen

JUNE FRANCISCAN CALENDAR

5 - St Boniface ▫ 11 - St Barnabas ▫ 13 - St Anthony ▫ 18 - Venerable Matt Talbot ▫ 22 - St Thomas Moore

"There is no way of telling people that they are all walking around shining like the sun." - Thomas Merton

MINISTER'S MINUTE

The Minister's Minute Is not available this month.

“To see the infinite pity of this place, The mangled limb, the devastated face, The innocent sufferers smiling at the rod, A fool were tempted to deny his God. He sees, and shrinks; but if he look again, Lo, beauty springing from the breast of pain! – He marks the sisters on the painful shores, And even a fool is silent and adores.”

Scottish Poet Robert Lewis Stevenson made a trip to Molokai to meet Mother Marianne Cope and see the leper community there. He was inspired by her determination to create a warm and fulfilling life for those in her care. He penned a poem, Reverend Sister Marianne Matron of the Bishop Home in her honor: