

JOY OF FRANCIS

Secular Franciscan Order—St. Francis Region #52— Southern California

Spring Edition 2019

*The Heavens Are Telling
The Glory of God*



“



Minister's Message

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Christ in Everything

One of the scripture readings in Appendix I.1 of the Ritual of the Secular Franciscan Order is taken from *The Letter of Paul to the Church in Colossae*.

*You have stripped off your old behavior with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its Creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised and uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free. **There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.** (Bold letters of the writer).*

As the chosen of God, then, the holy people whom he loves, you are to be clothed in heartfelt compassion, in generosity and humility, gentleness and patience. ... Over all these clothes, put on love, the perfect bond. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together in one body. Always be thankful.

Let the Word of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. (NJB. Col. 3: 9 – 16).

This message of General rules of Christian behavior is as needed today as it was when Paul wrote his letter to the Colossians. Can we Secular Franciscans imagine and cause into being a people who wear these articles of clothing always: sincere compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience? Can we put on that belt that holds these together? That love we are called to share with those we encounter daily: family members, co-workers, the homeless person, the ones who cut us off in line at the supermarket or on the freeway, the person of a different culture or religion?

Paul tells us that "There is only one Christ: he is everything and he is in everything." Are we listening? If we are, then now is the time to act on what we hear in Paul's message.

[**barbarian** – (loosely), a foreigner. **Scythian** – a barbarian people from North of the Black seas. (NMA).

NJB - New Jerusalem Bible. **NMA** - New American Bible]

Peace and All Good,



Judith Mussatto, OFS

Conference of Regional Spiritual Assistants

Why Ongoing Formation??

We all know the processes involved in becoming a Secular Franciscan: a person shows an interest, goes through Orientation, finds themselves increasingly called to this life, participates in Inquiry, has interviews periodically and retreats/Days of Recollection, discerns that they have a vocation, is welcomed into Candidacy, and after much discernment by the candidate and the council, is professed at a public Mass. Once a full, professed member of a fraternity, we all participate in Ongoing Formation at our monthly gatherings. But what are we trying to accomplish through that?

That question itself is worth a discussion by your council. Set some goals for your Ongoing Formation program. Then consider: are you meeting your Ongoing Formation goals?

Do you have a planned program for Ongoing Formation? Or are you doing whatever the assigned person decides to do for that gathering? Your council should ask your fraternity members for suggestions, and then consider those suggestions, along with your own ideas, at a planning meeting, held at least once a year, and perhaps more often. Set your goals then, and determine what your subject for Ongoing Formation will be, then look at the program from time to time to see if it is going as planned.

As newly professed, we are “baby” Franciscans, or, more accurately, “baby” Christians. Living the Gospel is not easy, but we should get better at it as we move through life. Do we?? Do we truly love every person and creature of God? Do we avoid all argument and strife, or do we instigate it? When there is a disagreement among members, are we part of the solution or part of the problem? When others express views very much contrary to our own faith, do we speak up or keep silent?

There is, in our California Senate, a proposed bill (SB 360) that would require priests who hear in the confessional of sexual abuse, to report that information, thus breaking the seal of the confessional. That is a gross interference with the religious freedom guaranteed by our Constitution and would probably just be step one in an ever-increasing interference with our practice of our religion. Living the Gospel should require each of us to speak up on that issue.

Our ongoing formation should help us all to become closer to our Lord, to have an ever more personal relationship with Him, to follow the Gospel more and more in everything we do – big or little. If it doesn't, we aren't doing what we should be doing. So plan, set goals, and be prepared to share with your next pastoral visitor.

Sylvia Paoli, OFS

President in Turn,
Conference of Region
Spiritual Assistants



FROM OUR DIRECTOR OF FORMATION LUCY IBARRA

Put on the Mind of Christ

Please take note at the word “reality.”

**The word “reality” means: the world or the state of things as they exist.
The state or quality of having existence or substance.**

James Schall, SJ states: “In the Catholic mind, the purpose of existence thus becomes crystalized: reality, then, is not just the sole existence of the universe, but a Christocentric, Trinitarian perspective on that universe—as well as everything and person within it. If reality is God, we live in that reality to know, love, and serve God. Every thought, decision, word, and action from the Catholic mind is from that perspective.” James B. Schall, SJ, *The Mind that is Catholic: Philosophical and Political Essays* (The Catholic University Press of America, 2008).

Therefore, the Catholic mind is one, when in its state of grace, of living not for itself, but the other. Much will be required of the person entrusted with much,” Jesus in Luke 12:48 warns, “and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.” What exactly separates the Catholic mind from any another kind of mind?

That we find God in all things.

As Secular Franciscan lets read Article 14 of our Rule.

“Secular Franciscans, together with all people of good will, are called to build a more fraternal and evangelical world so that the kingdom of God may be brought about more effectively. Mindful that anyone ‘who follows Christ, the perfect man, becomes more of a man himself,’ let them exercise their responsibilities competently in the Christian spirit of service.” Chapter 2, Article 14.

Having the mind of Christ means sharing the plan, purpose, and perspective of Christ, and it is something that all believers possess.

Having the mind of Christ means we understand God’s plan in the world—to bring glory to Himself, restore creation to its original splendor, and provide salvation for sinners. It means we identify with Christ’s purpose “to seek and to save what was lost” ([Luke 19:10](#)). It means we share Jesus’ perspective of humility and obedience ([Philippians 2:5-8](#)), compassion ([Matthew 9:36](#)), and prayerful dependence on God ([Luke 5:16](#))

Ponder:

How will you take a step toward putting God first in your life?

What is the mind of Christ like? How do you know you have it?

What kind of mind set do you think should define the OFS life?

What steps will you take to make God and God’s ways your greatest priority?

**My Holy Family; please take this back to your Fraternity and ponder on this,
expand on it as a Formation session.**



FROM OUR DIRECTOR OF FORMATION LUCY IBARRA

Formation News

I want to thank Tinh Le, OFS from Saint Clare Fraternity, Santa Ana for attending the National Formation Initiatives Workshop on April 4th, 2019 in Latham, New York. As a representative of our Region. During this time, he was able to generate ideas and suggest specific attainable actions for developing formation programs which will help to revitalize and strengthen all fraternities in the Secular Franciscan Order. More to come.

We are still in the process of gathering information to have specific workshops for our Formation Directors.

Keep your Regional Council in prayer.
With great love,
Lucy Ibarra, OFS

Leadership Training Class

The next Leadership Training class will begin on the week-end of Oct. 25-27, 2019. The week-ends will be held at Pro-Sanctity Center in Fullerton, from Friday at dinner to Sunday at 3 pm. Because we are limited by the facility size on the number of people who can participate, we are using a different format to determine the membership of the class. Each fraternity minister received a letter and an application form, *to share and discuss with the entire council and fraternity members. If you wish to be evaluated for the class please speak with your fraternity council, fill out and submit your application form to: Sylvia Paoli, OFS. President in Turn Regional Spirit Assistants.*

For additional information contact Sylvia. E-mail: payr1213@gmail.com

The deadline for return of applications is June.!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS

For the last 7 + years St. Francis Region has hosted the Secular Franciscan booth at the Los Angeles Archdiocese Religious Education Congress (REC) held at the Anaheim Convention Center in the month of February or March.

A team of volunteers share the responsibility of being a Secular Franciscan presence at the booth over the course of this three-day event. Here, some team members share reflections on the experience.

Tom Cooney, OFS: *I enjoy talking to passersby who often have no clue who we are. The REC is a great opportunity to expand awareness about the OFS and do our part in perhaps opening channels to a new vocation. The first thing we are usually asked is "what do you do". I like that question because its challenging in its simplicity but most are surprised, even refreshed, to learn how being a Franciscan in community and following The Lord in St Francis's footsteps opens your heart to discovering more about who you are which ultimately leads to better focus, peace and direction in your life.*

Patricia Grace, OFS: *I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to serve at our booth at the Religious Ed Congress. There was a large Exhibit Hall, as there is at most conferences. However, this was different in several important ways. The Spirit of God was palpable in the large hall. Color, light, conversations, concerns, laughter permeated the atmosphere. How inspiring to walk into that hall and see priests, friars, nuns, and lay ministers sharing the Good News of Jesus with each other. People stopped at our booth to munch on cookies, look at the slides beautifully prepared by Bill Mussatto, and talk with us about St. Francis and how we live out our charism in our daily lives. A joy to share.*

Trudy Weigel, OFS: *I have been attending the Religious Education Congress for years. When the opportunity to serve in the OFS booth there was offered, I signed up. We see Seculars from many different places and get to share with everyone who stops by the joy of being in the Secular Franciscan Order. Seeing many other Franciscans adds to the blessings. I am deeply blessed to be a part of this particular activity.*

Caroline Yandell, OFS: *It was a great experience helping man the booth at the RE Congress. Some people who stopped at the booth were interested in the displays, and I took the opportunity to educate them about the Franciscan family using the family tree display. Most were not familiar with third orders and enjoyed learning something new. Some who stopped by were Seculars either from our region or other regions. And some were friars from Oceanside who stopped by to introduce themselves and express their appreciation for our being there to represent our branch of the Franciscan family.*

Congress 2020 will be February 21 - 23.



JOURNEY TO ANTIGUA, GUATEMALA

By Gabriela Lee

San Diego Fraternity

February is the shortest month of the year but this February was not. I went to Guatemala for one week. The trip began with not many expectations, but the time spent there witnessing the lives of a young priest and people gave me an opportunity to reflect on my own faith and my relationship with God. Six of us left Los Angeles on an overnight flight and arrived in Guatemala early the next morning. Fr. Thomas greeted us at the airport and drove us an hour to La Antigua. My initial impression of Guatemala was far worse than what I had expected. Dark exhaust fumes from the bus in front of us and people dangling off the buses and trucks looked quite dangerous. Guatemala means 'land of trees'. Located in northwest Central America, Guatemala was the center of the Mayan civilization. Despite its independence from 300 years of Spanish colonization, Guatemala is struggling with poverty, crime, drugs, and corruption. With a mostly Christian population, its culture combines indigenous heritage and Spanish influence.

After we unpacked in a guest room, our first day started by attending an unexpected wedding Mass to accompany Fr. Thomas on his busy schedule. On the following days, we accompanied Fr. Thomas to an infant baptism, community visits, ministry to the sick, and Mass at a cloistered convent. We participated in all these events in one short week and came away very impressed with Fr. Thomas' energy in handling this heavy load all by himself.

Due to its distance from the capital, Antigua is underdeveloped and has a poor education system. Most children do not go to school, and illiteracy is high even among those in school. There were as many stray dogs as people on the streets. However, everyone we encountered was kind. Experiencing the harmonious and happy lives of the local people and a priest from a faraway country made me humble. During my escape from routine daily life in the U.S., I encountered people living diligently and a young priest among them, who left everything behind, to dedicate himself to love God and people. This *reminded me of what **the living Gospel of St. Francis showed us***. The beautiful Antigua downtown consists of old churches, hotels renovated from monasteries, and markets on cobblestone streets. The people in traditional outfits carrying baskets on their heads and backs were praying and selling souvenirs. One of the memories from the trip was an unexpected encounter with a saint at 'Iglesia de San Francisco' where Peter of Saint Joseph de Betancur (O.F.B.), a Spanish missionary who lived and died in Antigua and the only Guatemalan saint canonized in 2002, rests. There is a museum in the church with rosaries, crutches, and pictures associated with miraculous healings. After Prime prayer, we attended Mass, visited Antigua center and an earthquake damaged church, then returned to the rectory to prepare and share dinner.

As we overcame our uneasiness at arrival and began to become familiar with people, we had to prepare for our return as our departure day approached. I boarded the flight back home thinking about the world is where the Gospel of Christ is realized. *Everyone serving and contributing to build God's Kingdom where they are, is the Gospel life of the Franciscan*. My calling is to love my family, find Christ among my neighbors, and live happily. When we are filled with God's love and Brotherly love despite our different lives, we are the builders of God's Kingdom and brothers and sisters on the same journey.

The weather was cold unlike Guatemala as we landed in L.A. As we drove to San Diego, the rain began to fall like a blessing.

JOURNEY TO ANTIGUA, GUATEMALA (Continued)



Franciscan Sisters from
San Diego Fraternity
In Antigua, Guatemala

축복처럼 봄비가 (안티구아를 회상하며)

이 보영 가브리엘라 (샌디에고 형제회)

가장 짧은 달 2월이지만 내게는 결코 짧지만은 않았던 한 달을 돌아본다.

일주일간 과테말라를 다녀왔다.

큰 기대없이 가볍게 떠났던 과테말라에서의 시간들은 그곳에서 사목하고 계신 한 젊은 사제의 삶과 그곳에서 살아가는 사람들의 모습을 통해서 내 신앙과 하느님을 다시 생각하는 계기가 되었다.

우리 일행 여섯은 L.A.에서 출발하는 밤 비행기를 타고 이른 아침 과테말라에 도착했다.

공항에서 우리를 기다리고 계신 토마스 신부님을 만나 다시 한 시간 가량 차를 타고 신부님이 사목하고 계신 안티구아(La Antigua)로 향했다.

과테말라는 한 눈에 보아도 생각했던 것 이상으로 더 열악한 환경이었다. 앞서 달리는 버스에서 나오는 매연과 트럭이나 버스에 매달려 가는 사람들의 모습도 너무 위험해 보였다.

과테말라는 “나무가 많은 곳”이라는 뜻이란다. 중앙아메리카 북서쪽에 위치한 곳으로 마야문명의 중심지였던 곳이다. 300년간 스페인의 식민 지배를 받았으며 지금은 독립국가를 이루었지만 여전히 가난과 범죄와 마약 등의 불안정한 사회 문제, 부정 부패가 만연해 있다.

그리스도교가 많다고 해도 문화는 여전히 스페인과 원주민인 인디오가 융합된 다양한 모습으로 혼재한다.

도착한 첫날 사제관 손님방에 짐을 풀 우리들은 생각지도 못했던 혼배 미사에 참여하는 것으로 그 첫 여정을 시작했다. 우리를 안내해주는 신부님의 일정에 맞춰 움직여야 했기 때문이다.

JOURNEY TO ANTIGUA, GUATEMALA (Continued)

다음날은 유아 세례식에 또 공소와 병자 방문, 봉쇄 수녀원에서의 미사까지 우리 일행은 사제관에 머물면서 신부님의 사목 활동에 동참할 수 있었다. 미국에서라면 어쩌다 한 번 겪는 일들을 불과 1주일 머무르는 동안 다 겪은 셈이다. 이 모든 일들을 혼자서 해내는 신부님의 스케줄과 그 열정에 감탄하지 않을 수 없었다.

안티구아라는 곳은 수도에서 떨어져 있는 곳이어인지 생각했던 것보다 훨씬 더 낙후된 환경이었다. 아이들은 거의 학교에 다니지 않고 학교에 다닌다고 해도 중학생이 시계를 제대로 읽지 못할만큼 공교육이 제대로 되어 있지 않다고 한다. 거리엔 사람들만큼이나 풀어져 돌아다니는 개들도 많았다. 만나는 모든 사람들은 친절했고 며칠을 지내는 동안 순박한 그곳의 사람들과 한국이라는 먼 타국에서 온 신부님이 어우러져 열정적으로 행복하게 살아가는 모습 속에서 내 자신이 참으로 부끄러웠다.

지루한 일상에서 탈피하고자 삶의 터전을 떠나 만난 풍경 속, 사람들은 가난하지만 참으로 열심히 살아가고 있었고 하느님과 사람을 사랑하는 일에 청춘을 다 바친 한 사제는 조국을 떠나, 문화도 말도 피부색도 다른 사람들과 어우러져 혼신의 힘을 다해 몸으로 뛰고 있었다. 프란치스코 사부께서 말씀하셨던 형제적이고 복음적인 삶이란 바로 이런 것이겠구나 싶었다.

안티구아는 도시 가운데 중앙 공원(Parque Central)을 중심으로 옛 성당과 지금은 호텔로 개조되어 사용하고 있는 수도원, 마켓들이 자갈(cobblestone)로 만들어진 도로와 조화되어 아름다운 곳이다. 전통 복장을 한 사람들은 머리에 광주리를 이기도 하고 등에 짊어지기도 하면서 그들의 토속품을 관광객들에게 팔고 있었다.

과테말라 방문 중에 기억에 남는 것 중의 하나는 뜻밖의 성인을 알 수 있었던 것이다.

Peter of saint Joseph de Betancur(O.F.B.), 2002년에 성인품에 오르셨다는 과테말라의 유일한 성인의 유해가 모셔진 성프란치스코 성당(San Francisco Church in Antigua)이 광장 가까이에 위치해 있었기 때문이다. 스페인 태생의 신부님은 이곳에서 선교를 하였고 안티구아에서 돌아가셨다. 성당 안에는 그분을 기억하기 위한 작은 뮤지엄도 있었는데 그분께 기도하고 치유의 기적을 체험한 수많은 이들의 묵주와 묵발과 사진들도 전시되어 있었다.

우리 일행은 아침에는 함께 모여 성무일도를 바치고 미사에 참례하고 낮에는 안티구아의 광장과 지진으로 부서져내린 성당을 순례하고 저녁엔 사제관으로 돌아와 한 끼의 따뜻한 음식을 만들어 나누어 먹었다. 도착해서의 불편했던 마음이 조금은 익숙한 편안함으로 바뀌고 미사에서 만났던 사람들이 정겹게 느껴질 즈음 우리는 다시 돌아오기 위해 짐을 꾸렸다. 아쉬운 마음을 가득 안고 작별할 시간이 다가오고 있었다.

JOURNEY TO ANTIGUA, GUATEMALA (Continued)

이 세상은 그리스도의 복음이 실현되어야 할 터전이며 각자가 처한 환경에서 각자의 처지대로 하느님 나라를 완성하는 일에 봉사해야 하는 것이 형제적이고 복음적이며 프란치스칸적인 삶이라는 생각을 하면서 다시 집으로 돌아오는 비행기에 몸을 실었다.

내가 처한 환경에서 열심히 가족을 사랑하고 이웃 안의 그리스도를 발견하면서 기쁘게 살아가는 것이 하느님께서 바라시는 일이겠구나 싶었다.

우리 안에 하느님 사랑과 형제적 사랑이 충만하다면 삶의 모습은 다르지만 우리는 모두 하느님 나라 건설을 위해 일하는 일꾼들이며 그 여정을 동행하는 형제들임을 생각했다.

L.A. 공항에 도착하니 과테말라와는 다르게 날씨가 쌀쌀했다. 다시 차를 달려 샌디에고로 향하는데 축복처럼 비가 내리기 시작했다.



SAN DIEGO DISTRICT Tuan Cao, OFS, District Liaison

On February 24, 2019 Immaculate Conception Fraternity professed three new members into the Order. The Mass and reception was held at our Lady of Confidence Church in San Diego.



Eugene Langlois, Margaret McCahill, and Marlene Miranti with Father Gino Carrera, OFM, celebrant.



The Immaculate Conception Fraternity

SAN DIEGO DISTRICT Tuan Cao, OFS, District Liaison

On May 5th 2019 we had a joint Profession of two Fraternities, San Luis Rey from San Diego District and Holy Spirit from Los Angeles District. It was beautiful to have such a beautiful ceremony organized by the two Fraternity members. Of course a bountiful reception followed the Ritual.

The name of the newly professed are :

*From San Luis Rey Fraternity :Michele Castellanos, Corrine Helena ,Judith Inglesby, Linda Menser and Barbara Wonka-Kaylor.

*From Holy spirit Fraternity: Jacqui Bradley



The Profession took place at Mission San Luis Rey Parish
Congratulations to the 2 Fraternities and all of their members. Praise the Lord for
the bountiful harvest.

Riverside/San Bernardino William Mussatto, OFS, District Liaison



On March 30th, Fr Michael Higgins gave a day of formation for the district. Immaculata Fraternity hosted the district at St Mathew's Parish in Corona. Members of Padre Pio Fraternity, Immaculata Fraternity and Holy Spirit Fraternity were able to attend.

His presentation centered on two topics: The OFS, an Appropriate Lay Vocation and

The Evangelical Councils for the Secular Franciscans (Poverty, Chastity and Obedience as practiced in our lay state). We had a lively discussion throughout the two talks. He also reminded the Seculars that until the Leonine Rule, the Third Order Regular (TOR) and the Seculars shared a common rule. He also explained that one of the reasons that TOR Friars are familiar with the Seculars is that we have a long common history.



At the April meeting of Padre Pio Fraternity, Linda Williams and Gudelia Ruizwere were received into the order as candidates. Gudelia will continue with the Padre Pio Fraternity while Linda will contact a fraternity in her new home, Albuquerque, New Mexico to complete her formation. Holy Spirit Fraternity Council was reorganized because Claudia Thompson, OFS is moving out of state. Maria Rodriquez, OFS is the new Minister, Mary McLeod, OFS is the new Vice Minister and Dolores Cullen, OFS is the new Secretary. Amelia Sandoval, OFS, Treasurer, and William Mussatto, OFS, appointed Formation Director, retain their current offices.

On May 5th Jacqui Bradley of the Holy Spirit Fraternity professed along with five members of San Luis Rey Fraternity in a joint ceremony in Oceanside CA.



Orange District Trudy Weigel, OFS, District Liaison

On April 7, 2019 we had our Orange District Day of Recollection hosted by Our lady of Guadalupe Fraternity



In the morning Sylvia Paoli gave a presentation on the meaning of Profession. Our Lady of Guadalupe Fraternity is preparing for a renewal of Profession coming up in September. In the afternoon Margie Rodriguez gave a presentation about discipleship.



. At noon we had a potluck lunch.



It was a wonderful time of instruction and community sharing!

Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation

Praise for the Creator And Care for His Creation

We celebrated Earth Day in San Diego on April 28th. Several members of the Immaculate Conception Fraternity gathered at the celebrations in Balboa Park and sang praises to the Creator for His Creation. We chose three separate locations, gathered in a semi-circle and sang out. It was really such fun! We hope next year to do it again and we will again invite all Franciscans in our area to join us. In fact, all Franciscans are welcome to join us! We love a crowd.

We are pictured here with Father Emmet Farrell who is convening Care of Creation for the Diocese of San Diego. He joined us for one glorious round of the Canticle. Not pictured here are husband, Jim, and Peggy's husband, Nick, who added their beautiful deeper voices to our harmonies. Praises always to our Lord.



From Left to Right:
Becky Taylor, Peggy Botte, Father Emmet,
Margaret McCahill, Patricia Grace, Genevive Fabian

Secular Franciscan Order - St. Francis Region #52

Important Announcements

Note from Your Editor

We are trying a new format for our Joy of Francis. The new format permits more and larger pictures, which we all enjoy. I look forward to any comments or suggestions.

In addition to the Minister's Message, the message from the Regional Spiritual Assistants, and the Formation Director, we would like reports from every district. We would also like to feature any JPIC activities, events in support of our interfaith initiative, and any special articles you think others in our regional may find enriching and interesting. As you take pictures of any events or activities, please take the best quality pictures you can.

Please send any submissions for our next edition to patriciaelizabethgrace7@gmail.com by August 1. We are so blessed to keep alive this beautiful way of life and share it with all those around us. It is an awesome and wonderful duty and privilege to share the Charism of our Beloved Saint Francis.

As we welcome the spring, I will pray for all of you and your ministries as I know you pray for mine. I stand in deep gratitude to all of you, my sisters and brothers.

Peace and All Good, Patricia



Important Announcements

Last Will and Testament

Each of us can play an important role in preserving and extending our Secular Franciscan way of life, in our own fraternity, and at the regional level. This can be accomplished in many ways, including a bequest in our will.

Suggested beneficiaries:

Your FRATERNITY
Your REGION

Suggested wording for your bequests:

1. A BEQUEST FOR GENERAL PURPOSES:
"I give and bequeath the sum of \$ _____
(or _____% of my disposable estate) to:
(name and address of fraternity, or region).
2. A RESIDUARY BEQUEST OF INDEFINITE AMOUNT:
"After payment of expenses, debts and specific bequests, I direct that the residue of my estate be given to: (name and address) or
"I bequeath to (name and address) any part of my estate that other beneficiaries are unable to receive because of death or other reasons."

THE ADDRESS OF ST. FRANCIS REGION IS:
276 E. Green St.
Claremont, CA 91711



CALENDAR

May To August

May	
24 -26	Regional Retreat. Serra Retreat Center, Malibu. Please, fill out the form here and send in your registration.
31	Ecumenical Prayer Service of Church Unity. 7:00 p.m. St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Church 4949 Alton Parkway, Irvine, CA 92604
June	
2	Fraternal Visit. St. Clare Fraternity, (V) Santa Ana. Visitor: Regional Vice - Minister Frank Miller, OFS. Observer: Lucy Ibarra, OFS, Regional Councilor/Formation Director
9	Pastoral Visit. St. Padre Pio Fraternity, Morena Valley. Visitor: TBD
22	Pastoral Visit. Immaculata Fraternity, Riverside. Visitor: TBD
July	
6	Pastoral Visit. St. Anthony of Padua Fraternity (V). San Diego. Visitor: TBD
13	Fraternal Visit. San Juan Capistrano Fraternity. V
14	Fraternal Visit. St. Clare Fraternity (K), Westminster. Visitor: Regional Minister Judith Mussatto, OFS. Observer: David York, OFS, Regional Councilor.
28	Fraternal Visit. St. Joseph Fraternity. Los Angeles. Visitor: Regional Vice – Vice Minister Frank Miller, OFS. Observer: Randy Rohrer, OFS. Regional Councilor.
August	
4	Elections. St. Louis Rey Fraternity. Oceanside. Presider: Regional Minister Judith Mussatto, OFS. Observer: Caroline Yandel, OFS. Regional Secretary. Church Witness: TBD
11	Elections. St. Clare Fraternity (K). Roland Heights. Presider: Regional Minister Judith Mussatto, OFS. Church Witness: TBD



*PEACE AND ALL GOOD
FROM
YOUR REGIONAL COUNCIL*

*Judith Mussatto, OFS
Minister
St. Francis Region*