

**Padre Pio Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order**

**Gathering Agenda**

**St. Francis of Assisi Founder's Room**

[Zoom Link](#)

Sunday, Oct. 23, 2022

***A candidate will lead the recitation of the Angelus at 2:30 p.m. right before the opening prayer. If it is a desire of your heart, please join us in prayer.***

**The Angelus**

**L:** The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary:

**All Respond:** And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

**All Pray:** Hail Mary, full of grace (etc.)

**L:** Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

**All Respond:** Be it done unto me according to Thy word.

**All Pray:** Hail Mary...

**L:** And the Word was made Flesh.

**All Respond:** And dwelt among us.

**All Pray:** Hail Mary...

**L:** Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

**L:** Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord.

Amen

<b>1. Opening Prayer:</b> <b>Sharon Winzeler, OFS</b>	<b>2:35 p.m.</b>
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*Ritual, pages 35 – 36*

**Minister:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**All:** Amen.

**Minister:** Most high, all-powerful, good God, praise, glory, and honor, and all blessings are yours.

**All:** Praise and bless my Lord, and give Him thanks, and serve him with great humility.

**Minister:** Let us pray. (Pause)

Most high, glorious God,  
enlighten the darkness of our hearts  
and give us right faith, firm hope, and perfect charity,  
with wisdom and insight, O Lord,  
that we may accomplish your holy and true will. **All:** Amen

<b>2. Welcome Guests!</b>	<b>2:35 p.m.</b>
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<b>3. Ongoing Formation: <a href="#">Metanoia by Fr. David Pivonka</a></b> (We will watch the video together at the gathering. You are welcome to watch it ahead of time.) <b>Discussion questions:</b> 1. What does today’s world think of Jesus? Who would you say the world thinks Jesus is? 2. Jesus told them not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah because their image of the Messiah and who the Messiah actually is were very different. What kind of God do you think the “world” is looking for? 3. Who do you say Jesus is? How has your image of Christ changed over the years?	<b>2:40-3:40 p.m.</b>
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<b>4. Fellowship with the celebration of August birthdays:</b> Sr. Mary Conner, OSC – October 2 and Deacon Phil Rzewnicki, OFS – October 18	<b>3:40 p.m.</b>
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<b>5. Fraternity business</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
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**Formation announcements**, Char Witosky, OFS (Formation director)

- Permanent profession date is July 15, 2023
- New orientation group will begin Jan. 22, 2023
- Fraternity retreat at St. Francis Springs is March 10-12, 2023

**Treasury Report**, Zubair Simonson, OFS (Treasurer)

Contributions can be placed in an envelope with your name on it at the meeting or mailed to

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**JPIC-** Gladys Whitehouse, OFS

- **L'Arche-** L'Arche holds 3 community events a month: Thursdays 10-12, Wednesdays 4-5 pm and Tuesdays 1-3pm st the Edenton United Methodist Church downtown Raleigh. Ben and Gladys are going Tuesday, Oct. 25, to to check it out. Any interested fraternity members are welcome to join them.
- **Oak City Cares** - Lee Cunningham, OFS, and Marylou Holloway, OFS. Our next two food services are Saturday, Nov. 26 (Thanksgiving weekend) and Christmas Eve.

**Announcements**

- Rachel Bongiorno, OFS, new newsletter editor.
- Our next meeting is Sunday, Nov. 20. (Note this is the third Sunday because of Thanksgiving weekend.)

- Anne Evangelista, OFS, is leading a team of fraternity members to work on recruiting young people to the order.
- Continue to reach out to our visitors. A new orientation session will begin on Jan. 26. All are welcome to join us at our gatherings and retreat.

**Save the Dates:**

- **Saturday, Dec. 3.** Joanne Jacovec, OFS, will lead us in our annual day of learning, and spirituality, followed by Mass at 4 p.m. celebrated in the chapel by Fr. Hugh Macsherry, OFM. Please reserve your spot at the retreat by signing up on the [Sign-Up Genius](#) by **Nov. 1.** (See Sharon Winzeler or Jeanne Casciere if you have any signup questions.)
- **Saturday, Jan. 7, 2023.** Padre Pio Epiphany Party at Maureen Copan’s house from 2-4 p.m.
- **March 10-12, 2023.** Annual retreat at St. Francis Springs.
- **Saturday, July 15, 2023.** Permanent Profession at 11 a.m. Mass at St. Francis of Assisi of our candidates. Reception afterward.

<a href="#">Evening Prayer 2</a>	<b>4:10 p.m.</b>
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### Upcoming Events on the Fraternity Calendar

Most meetings are held on the fourth Sunday of the month. We work at our apostolate at Oak City Cares on the fourth Saturday of the month. Sometimes both will occur on the same weekend. The 2022 **dates for our apostolate** are: 11/26, 12/24.

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Discussion Topic</b>
Gathering	Oct. 24, 2022,	St. Francis of Assisi	Fr. Dave Pivonka Metanoia
Gathering	Nov. 28, 2022,	St. Francis of Assisi	Fr. Dave Pivonka Metanoia
Retreat	Dec. 3, 2022	Founders Room	Joanne Jacovec will present the conversion of Sts. Francis and Clare