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RETREAT AND QUIET DAY

May 12, 13, 14 at the Franciscan Retreat Center on Prior Lake, Minnesota, southern Minneapolis suburb, to be conducted by Sister Cecilia, of our Community of St. Francis. Contact Mrs. Lee Malloy, 114 N. Oak Street, Lake City, MN 55041 or the Rev. George Metcalf, 795 Indian Trail South, Afton, MN 55001.

May 16 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Fr. John Walker's Whidbey Island home, near Seattle, Washington. Contact the Rev. John Walker, 1312 E. Blackberry Lane, Oak Harbor, WA 98277. This was announced in the January issue of the St. Clare Fellowship's newsletter.

OF NOTE

We're pleased to announce the David Holland, of Sulphur Springs, Texas, was professed on February 4th. Did you know that the Rev. Masud "Sye" Syedullah was recently elected Vicar of St. Aidan's Church in Tulsa? Mickey Ibara is now an Area Chaplain, and Dorothy Nakatsuji is an Assistant Novice Director to Glen-Ann Jicha?

Warren Wagner and Mark Earl would like you to know their address is Francis Place, 1803 E. John Street, Seattle, WA 98112 - a change from the 1980 directory.

Please remember the 1981 Directory will go to press very soon. If you have moved, or been recently professed, please write to Helen Webb, 4008 Buckingham Road, Baltimore, MD 21207 immediately.

The Poor Clare's retreats on Long Island are so popular that the one in June is filled already, with a waiting list. Rather than waiting for an announcement of the next one, it might be well to write them to ask about it.

THE POOR CLARES

Have you seen our Poor Clares' new brochure, and the flyer, "Reach out and touch the Lord", inviting people to send in intercessions and thanksgivings? To get additional copies, write St. Clare's Convent, P.O. Box 342, Mt. Sinai, New York 11766.

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GLEANINGS

(1) From the "News of the American Province", SSF, February 1981  
Thomas Bernard requested release from vows; Joel is dispensed from vows, and becoming Rector of the Church of the Ascension (place not included). Jason transferred to the Perry Street house. This house is called the Provincialate where Norman Crosbie, the Provincial, has his headquarters. William Bennett is in residence at General Seminary, also Rodney. Robert Robinson is a postulant at Bishop's Ranch. Please pray for the repose of the soul of James, the father of William Bennett. The Rt. Rev. Wesley Friendsdorff, Bishop of Nevada, is the new Deputy Protector for the West Coast.

The First Order Provincial Chapter Council will meet at Little Portion May 15-21. Names are being submitted for consideration as guardian for each house. The Corporation will meet May 21st.

Br. Geoffrey, Minister General, announced that Br. Anselm is now the Assistant Minister General. From May 23 through October 7, Brother Geoffrey will be in Great Britain.

The Gospel Now SSF Conference at Hilfield will be held May 29-June 4, and the Third Order Interprovincial Chapter at Hilfield will be June 5-7. By Constitution, our Chaplain plus two representatives is invited to participate in that Chapter. Our representatives are Kale King and Dee Dobson, with Muriel Adey as alternate. Chaplain "Gooch" Goode plans to attend.

Brother John Charles will be traveling in 1981: several places in Australia, to Hawaii in May, Los Angeles May 18, Chicago May 20, to England May 22, Paris, Luxemburg, Munich, Assisi, and Rome in September; New York September 20, Little Portion October 1-4, New Jersey and Connecticut; and settling in at Little Portion on October 26.

EVE is the Episcopal Vacation Exchange, for clergy families who would like to exchange homes and parishes for a low-cost vacation in the summer. Contact Barbara Mackey, 309 S. Richard Street, Bedford, MA 15522. There is a membership fee.

(2) From the European Province First Order: RIP: Br. Matthew, Br. Maurice, and Br. Owen. Michael was elected by his fellow Suffragans to sit in the House of Bishops for the next five years, which gives him a seat on General Synod. Br. Andrew Philip has been granted a leave of absence.

From the Pacific Province, SSF

Northern Region, Dec. 1980 "This was our third regional chapter, and the end of the time of experiment of acting as a province. Things had gone very well." The chapter agreed that in June, Alfred should stay in Moresby and make arrangements for the disposal of the effects in liklik hap, and any alterations or repairs necessary. We would then hand the house over to the Diocese. Chapter noted that on February 14, 1981, it would be 50 years since Kenneth, together with Douglas and Arthur, made their profession. Chapter asked the Regional Secretary to write to Kenneth with greetings and congratulations.

Southern Region, Jan. 1981. Because of the absence of mose office bearers overseas for long periods in 1981, arrangements were made for Br. Wayne to act as Assistant Minister from January 25 to June 19, when Br. Rodney will return and resume this office. It was agreed that if possible the Newcastle Bookshop be sold to the Church Army.

The Auckland Friars wrote in December - to Tertiaries, Companions and Friends - thanking them for answering a questionnaire to update the records, and in appreciation for their generous support of the Friars' life and work, saying that they are remembered daily in prayer.

Ron Stevens, a postulant, is now Brother Bede. Reginald is singing in the Cathedral Choir, conducting a course for novices, and is Third Order Chaplain.

During the 800th anniversary of the birth of Saint Francis, the Friars of Auckland plan to visit their tertiary friends and companions. They listed an itinerary for January and February, suggesting, "If you live between these points and would like to see us, please write - it will be nice to call and say Hello!" Robert Fulton, Third Order Guardian, was ordained to the priesthood in November.

P.S.

Have you sent the information requested to Roberta Beisel? Her address:  
2830 St. George Drive, Garland, TX 75042.

She asked for your name and current address, phone, and name of your Fellowship (and location), and name of the Fellowship Convener (important). She asked for brief information about your Fellowship and study undertaken. If you are isolated, let her know if you would like to be part of a Fellowship, by letter or tape? Then, she asks that you briefly describe your talents, such as write, public speaking, leader of retreats, music, art, secretarial, etc.

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