



SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER
Five Franciscan Martyrs Region

Florida, South Georgia, Lower Alabama

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Annual Local Fraternity Report for the Year Ending December 31, 2023
Complete and approve at a Fraternity Council Meeting and submit before **February 14, 2024.**

Send to: Jeane Swaynos, OFS, Regional Minister
216 East Sweetwater Creek Drive
Longwood, Florida 32779
or email to swaynos@cfl.rr.com.

Please send a copy to your area Family Councilor, as well.
(Use additional pages and attach if there is not enough space.)

Name of Fraternity: St. Elizabeth of Hungary
Meeting Place, Address, Phone: St. Lucie Catholic Church, Parish Center
290 SW Grima Vista Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL 34983
(772) 878-1215
Council Meeting Day(s), Time, Place: Third Wednesday each month at 1:15 PM
Monthly Gathering Day(s), Time: Third Saturday each month at 9:00 AM
Any changes in your Fraternity Council in 2023? {NO} {YES}; If not due to an official election, give reason
for change: Formation Director: Dm. John Paul McGuire (Present)
Pauline Pavlick, OFS stepped down due to family obligations.

SPIRITUAL ASSISTANT INFORMATION

Does your fraternity have a SPIRITUAL ASSISTANT YES ☒ NO ☐

- Name Fr. Paul Gabriel, OFM Conv.
- Address 425 SW Irving St., Port St. Lucie, FL 34983
- Phone (772) 878-1215
- Email gab58@msn.com

In what year did this assignment begin? 2020

Was he/she formally assigned by your provincial? YES

How many of your local fraternity meetings has your spiritual assistant attended this past year? 8

How many local council meetings has your spiritual assistant attended this past year? 8

List all the Books used for initial and ongoing formation: FUN Manual

- INITIAL Holy Bible, Catechism of the Catholic Church, Journey Book
- ONGOING Franciscan Rule, General Constitution, Admonitions, "The Little Flowers of St. Francis of Assisi, Formation Fridays (e-mail)
- What topics in the FUN Manual have been used and are useful for Ongoing Formation? from Regional) Chapters on Fraternity Community, Rules of OFS
- How often has your fraternity discussed the Status of Instrumentum Laboris? Used at Fraternity meetings preparation, Annual Retreat at San Pedro.
- What initial goals has your fraternity made as a result of Instrumentum Laboris? Help with our Annual preparation for "Secular Way of Life."
- Do you have a local fraternity Newsletter and how often is it published? In progress
- How is it distributed? Will be distributed to members by e-mail.
- Have you thought of sharing your newsletter with the bishop, regional executive council, etc.? N/A
- What Apostolic work does your fraternity do as a whole fraternity? What percentages of the fraternity participate? St. Lucie Soup Kitchen, Ardie R. Copas State Veterans Nursing Home, Holy Hour (monthly) Majority participation.
- Does your fraternity attend Mass or prayer services outside the regular meeting times? YES

JPIC, YOFRA, ECUMENCIAL OUTREACH, VOCATIONS

- Have you had personal contact with the youth in your area this past year? Explain: 1st Year College students - correspondence, Prayer Books - "How to Remain Catholic in College."
- Who is your current contact for your Youth/Young Adults/YouFra Animator for your fraternity? Marjorie Edwards, OFS
- Has anyone in your Fraternity, including the Minister or Youth Animator, attended any National or Regional Youth/YouFra Zoom or in-person workshops/meetings? Yes
YouFra Zoom

- List your Fraternity "JPIC" projects and activities for 2023. *Collection for homeless, Food Collection for Soup Kitchen, Colorbooks/Crayons for Children in Pahokee, Socks for veterans*
- Have you taken part in any Ecumenical outreach activities in 2023? Explain: *Christmas Caroling at Veterans Nursing Home and Brennity Senior Living, and Soup Kitchen*
- What activities have you done to increase vocations to the Secular Franciscans in your fraternity? Explain: *Holy Hour (second Thursday of each month) Pamphlets in Narthex, Lending Library among members.*

GENERAL QUESTIONS

- What programs has your Fraternity participated in during 2023 (Retreats, Days of Recollections, special celebrations)? *Candidacy Retreat, St. Mary's Retreat in Pahokee, Welcome Ceremony into Candidacy, Greccio Narration, Feast of St. Clare*
- What programs/events has your Fraternity Council planned for 2024? *Fraternity Council Elections, Candidacy Retreat, Lenten Stations of the Cross, Feast of St. Clare and Greccio Celebration*
- Is there anything you wish to share with the Regional Executive Council? *No*
- Have you found it easy to connect with the Region when scheduling elections, visitations or when having problems within your fraternity? *Yes*
- What has been your fraternity's greatest challenge this past year? *Increase in New Applicants, Organizing different stages of formation*
- What is your fraternity's strongest asset(s)? *Member participation in events and celebrations.*
- If you are meeting electronically, how many members take part only in these electronic sessions? *N/A*
- Do you see your ZOOM meetings decreasing over this past year or have they become meetings in addition to your person to person meetings? Explain *N/A*
- During the past year, how often have you been in touch with your family councilor? Was this connecting to your family councilor through personal contact, zoom, or phone conversations?
Several times via e-mail.

- How often have you or your delegate attended your family meetings this past year? *1-2 times*
- How are you keeping in touch with your shut-in members? *Visits, phone calls, Sunshine Greeting Cards, through our "Infirmarian" members.*
- When was your last profession? How many were professed?
September 18, 2023 - One (1) person

We may have to increase dues this next year 2025. NAFRA has increased the dues for each member this year to take effect 2025.

- Are you opposed to the increase in dues for our region? *Yes*
- We have not increase dues for over 10 years. What do you see as a fair amount for the increase?
Remain as is.

Keep copies of this Annual Report and your Annual Treasurer's Report in the Fraternity's records

IF YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND SOMETHING OR NEED HELP, CONTACT US! WE ARE HERE TO HELP!

****Please mail your Fraternity's 2022 Treasurer's Report and your Fair Share Contribution in the amount of \$55 times the TOTAL NUMBER of Professed and Candidates to:**

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