



**SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER**  
**Five Franciscan Martyrs Region**  
 Florida, South Georgia, Lower Alabama  
[www.ffmr-ofs.org](http://www.ffmr-ofs.org)

**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](mailto: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 Maximillian Kolbe Fraternity #51-13401*

**Meeting Place, Address, Phone:** *ST Ann's church RD Building 28 Hogwood Trail  
 Debary, FL.*

**Council Meeting Day(s), Time, Place:** *1st Friday of the month 3pm*

**Monthly Gathering Day(s), Time:** *3rd Saturday of the month 8:30-9:30 initial Formation  
 9:30-1:00pm Gathering*

**Any changes in your Fraternity Council in 2023?** {NO} {YES}; If not due to an official election, give reason for change:

**SPIRITUAL ASSISTANT INFORMATION**

Does your fraternity have a SPIRITUAL ASSISTANT YES X NO \_\_\_\_\_

- Name Karen Szczesniak OFS
- Address \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone 386 822-9050 or 386 785-7882
- Email KarenOFS@gmail.com

In what year did this assignment begin? \_\_\_\_\_

Was he/she formally assigned by your provincial? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

List all the Books used for initial and ongoing formation:

- INITIAL *The Franciscan Journey book by Lester Bach*
  - ONGOING *FUN manual & Franciscan virtues*
  - *\* FR Richard Trezza Vinco's about Profession \**
  - What topics in the FUN Manual have been used and are useful for Ongoing Formation?  
*We use topics sent on Formation Friday, they are sent to our Formation director and incorporated into our Formation. I have also used topics from FUN manual in the Newsletter.*
  - How often has your fraternity discussed the Status of Instrumentum Laboris?  
*We discuss when there are updates. Our Formation team along with our S.A. Have a check list that we refer to when attempting to meet goals. (\* see v List)*
  - What initial goals has your fraternity made as a result of Instrumentum Laboris? - *\* See v List, to have a come & see; met c youth group & volunteered to help out. Short talk about St Francis & who we are. Networking with other Fraternities.*
  - Do you have a local fraternity Newsletter and how often is it published? *YES*  
*YES - monthly*
  - How is it distributed?  
*mail & email*
  - Have you thought of sharing your newsletter with the bishop, regional executive council, etc.? *YES*  
*We share our Newsletter with our Regional Councilman Larry Blew of S*
  - What Apostolic work does your fraternity do as a whole fraternity? What percentages of the fraternity participate?  
*Franciscan Family apostolate  
Amazon Relief*
  - Does your fraternity attend Mass or prayer services outside the regular meeting times? *YES*  
*- yes we attend Day of Reflection & praying for Peace (public prayer)  
- Feast Days*
- JPIC, YOUFRA, ECUMENCIAL OUTREACH, VOCATIONS** *with another Fraternity (Our Lady of poverty)*
- Have you had personal contact with the youth in your area this past year? Explain: *YES*  
*yes; providing food during their retreat. We invited them to attend our Public prayer for peace*
  - Who is your current contact for your Youth/Young Adults/YouFra Animator for your fraternity?  
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  - 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 (Zoom mtg)*  
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- List your Fraternity "JPIC" projects and activities for 2022.  
"year of prayer" "year of apace for"  
pro life outreach
- Have you taken part in any Ecumenical outreach activities in 2022? Explain:  
Public prayer for peace in collaboration with Lady of poverty.
- What activities have you done to increase vocations to the Secular Franciscans in your fraternity?  
Explain:  
we had a successful "Come and See"  
Invited guest speakers.

### GENERAL QUESTIONS

- What programs has your Fraternity participated in during 2023 (Retreats, Days of Recollections, special celebrations)?  
Day of Reflection with Little Flowers (Daytona)  
patriotic Rosary; Profession; public Come & See.
- What programs/events has your Fraternity Council planned for 2024?  
public prayer for peace (monthly) year of peace  
multiple guest speakers
- Is there anything you wish to share with the Regional Executive Council? Not at this time
- 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?  
Building vocations
- What is your fraternity's strongest asset(s)?  
we are welcoming; faithful to the ongoing formation  
with an emphasis on Franciscan spirituality & Charism.
- 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?  
Every month when I send the Newsletter.  
we use Email & personal contact.

- How often have you or your delegate attended your family meetings this past year?

*All Family meetings were attended.*

- How are you keeping in touch with your shut-in members?

*Visits & Newsletters*

- When was your last profession? How many were professed?

*2022 (one was professed)*

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? *NO*

*NO*

- We have not increase dues for over 10 years. What do you see as a fair amount for the increase?

*\$60.00 Increase ~~to~~ \$60.00 (\$5.00)*

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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