

Jubilee Year of Mercy

You won renown for your wondrous deeds; gracious and merciful is the LORD. *Psalm 111:4*

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!

“For God so lo **V** ed the world,
That He g **A** ve
his on **L** y
Begott **E** n
So **N**
T hat whosoever
Believeth **I** n Him,
Should **N** ot perish,
But have **E** verlasting life.”

John 3:16



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FROM THE PROVINCIAL PROMOTER'S DESK

Fr. Bede Shipps, O.P.

Dear Brothers & Sisters in St. Dominic,

Our brother, Saint Thomas Aquinas, has left us a thoughtful and thorough synthesis of the Christian people's wisdom, drawing from the Word of Scripture, the writings of the Fathers, the works of medieval theologians, the prayers of the liturgy, and the teachings of the great wise men of the Greek and Roman world. He remains a source of inspiration and wisdom for us who share in the task of evangelization. One of many themes in his teaching is that charity, which is entirely God's gracious gift, establishes us in friendship with God, who desires to give us happiness in an eternal communion with him. From that relationship springs our capacity to love one another out of love for the God who is supremely good and worthy of all our love. God's love has been most profoundly revealed in Jesus, who saves us from sin and death, brings us the forgiveness of our heavenly Father, and makes it possible for us to live as God's own dear children. As we begin Lent, God urgently invites us to draw near to his beloved Son, to spend extra time and effort in prayer and study, to step back from creature comforts, and to focus on deeds of loving kindness toward our neighbor. May the truth, which comes from God and leads to God, enlighten our minds in these days of grace, and bring forth in us a harvest of prayer, witness, and deeds of mercy. God bless you and your families.



Fr. Bede Shipps, O.P.,
Provincial Promoter

Your happy promoter,
Fr. Bede

Rosary Meditations for the 800th Jubilee

For the 800th Anniversary of the Order a special Rosary of meditations has been put together. Yesterday, while on line, I discovered a web-site, new to me, for the Dominican Nuns who are located in Marbury, Alabama. Please visit their web-site when you have time

www.stjudemonastery.org.

The nuns put together a beautiful rosary booklet adding an image to each of the meditations of the rosary and invited people to download it. I have attached it to this e-mail if you are interested in printing it for yourselves.

We have been granted a Plenary Indulgence during this 800th Anniversary year if we either participate in a jubilee celebration or visit a Dominican Church and fulfill the usual conditions for gaining the indulgence. Additional conditions:

- * Pray an Apostle's Creed, and an Our Father, for the Holy Father's intentions
- * Spend a period of meditation before the Blessed Sacrament.
- * Pray a Hail Mary and the Jubilee Prayer on page 10
- * Invocation of the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Most Holy Rosary

Indulgences can be applied to oneself or to the souls of the deceased, but they cannot be applied to other persons living on earth.

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Te Deum

On December 13, 2015, **Corpus Christi Pro-Chapter, Portsmouth, NH**, received Mrs. Sylvia Stewart (center) into the Lay Fraternity of Saint Dominic. Mrs. Helen Steele, OP, chapter president, and Mrs. Rebecca Justin, OP, formation director, presided at the ceremony.



The **Joy of the Just Formation Group (#516)**, based at SS. Philip and James Church in **Baltimore, MD**, celebrated a Mass and Evening Prayer on Monday, January 18, 2016.



Celebrating the Mass was Father David Mott, OP, the religious assistant for the Joy of the Just and the pastor of SS. Philip and James.

Front Row, L-R: Rev. David Mott, OP; Tilwana Walker (*Adelaide Langmann*); Ethel Ngen (*Joseph*); and Kate Flores (*Catalina Rosa*); **Back Row, L-R:** Mrs. Pamela Pilch, OP; James Anthony, Sr. (*Pio Benedict*); Patricia Ellis (*Petra Paula*); Ella "Lila" Pantazis (*Mary Magdalene*); Maureen Lecount (*Catherine of Siena*); Franklin Taylor, Jr. (*Paul*); and Kenneth Moore (*Raymond of Peñafort*).

During Mass, eight individuals made three-year promises (a ninth individual had made three-year promises at the LFSD Jubilee Congress for the Province of St. Joseph in November 2015); during Evening Prayer following Mass, three individuals were received into the Order of Preachers. Receiving the promises and presiding over the receptions was Mrs. Pamela Pilch, OP, the president of the St. Thomas Aquinas Chapter (#511) from Charlottesville, VA. The evening ended with a dinner reception in the parish hall for family members and friends.



Front Row, L-R: Kaitlin Pillion (*Faustina*); Joseph Opinion (*Dominic*); and Lauren Janniello (*Pier Giorgio*); **Back Row, L-R:** Mrs. Pamela Pilch, OP; and Rev. David Mott, OP.

De Profundis

One of the Dominican Family traditions is our regular prayers for our dead. Please have a Mass celebrated for all the deceased members of the Dominican Laity in the Province of St. Joseph, U.S.A., and in particular for those listed below.

Please remember our sisters, Catherine, Eleanor, Yvonne, Anne and our brothers, John, Robert, and Edward, who died in Christ with the hope of rising with Him. Please pray one Rosary for all our deceased members.

Name: Mrs. Catherine Murphy, O.P.
Religious Name: Sr. Veronica
Chapter: Mother of God # 103
Location: Springfield, MA
Final Promise: May 26, 1957
Date of Death: November 19, 2015

Name: Ms. Eleanor A. Staszak, O.P.
Religious Name: Sr. Mary Francis
Chapter: Holy Rosary Chapter # 403
Location: Merchantville, NJ
Final Promise: December 10, 1995
Date of Death: November 24, 2015

Name: Mrs. Yvonne Therrien, O.P.
Religious Name: Sr. Catherine of Siena
Chapter: Mother of God # 103
Location: Springfield, MA
Final Promise: May 4, 1997
Date of Death: December 11, 2015

Name: Mr. John Hemhauser, O.P.
Chapter: Holy Rosary Chapter # 208
Location: Summit, NJ
Final Promise: March 15, 1984
Date of Death: December 25, 2015

Name: Mr. Robert J. Frasco, O.P.
Religious Name: Br. Dominic Joseph
Chapter: Mother of God # 103
Location: Springfield, MA
Final Promise: April, 2015
Date of Death: December 26, 2015

Name: Mrs. Anne Martin, O.P.
Religious Name: Sr. Elizabeth of the Trinity
Chapter: St. Louis Bertrand # 301
Location: Syracuse, NY
Final Promise: April 28, 1993
Date of Death: January 7, 2016

Name: Mr. Edward 'Bud' Neafsey, O.P.
Religious Name: Br. Bernard
Chapter: Sacred Heart Chapter # 210
Location: Linden, NJ
Final Promise: May 15, 1985
Date of Death: January 14, 2016

Send the names and dates of members who have died to your Regional Editor, so that they can be included in our continued prayers for the dead.



*Sorrowful Mother,
 pray for us.
 St. Joseph, pray for us.
 Holy Father Dominic,
 pray for us.*

OP MOMENT Trivia

Answer: d.

Pope Clement XII was not a Dominican.

Fr. Bruno Cadore, OP Master's Commentary on the Jubilee of the Order Part 4

Prayer is a second method of rooting the tree of preaching in the Word. Personal and community prayer cannot be regarded as an exercise to be fulfilled so as to be consistent with the commitment to regular consecrated life. It is the way in which we make the choice, individually and in community, to punctuate the time of our human history through meditation on the mystery of God's history with the world. It is thus to 'own' the history of revelation, in response to this God who comes in His Son to 'own' each one of us. It is about allowing, in prayer, the Spirit to 'blow where he wants'. In this way, prayer comes from listening to the Word and leads back to it, establishing the center of gravity of our personal lives and of the lives of our communities in the contemplation of the mystery of the revelation of which Scripture is the account. The celebration of the Word in the liturgy, its contemplation in meditation on the mysteries of the Rosary, patient silent prayer, help us to locate the consecration of our lives to preaching between contemplation and study, two ways of seeking the truth of His Word of which we want to give the taste to those to whom we are sent. 'If you remain in my word, you are truly my disciples'. Remaining thus becomes an opportunity for us, as was the case for the first friends of Jesus preaching, to find ourselves free because raised by His calling, strengthened by His love and mercy, encouraged and sent by his grace to carry forward His Word of truth. Remaining in the Word then leads to us carrying with us, in this silence of listening and waiting, those to whom we are sent, who rely on our prayer, who are given to us by God so that, mysteriously, we accept that He binds their destiny to ours in the same grace of salvation. In this area, government in the Order is a watchman: ensuring that the freedom of individuals and communities is really rooted in the contemplation of this mystery in which the Son himself, in his humanity, gave salvation to the world by adjusting his freedom to that of his Father.

Prayer places us in the school of Our Lady of Preachers. With her, preachers can discover and be constantly amazed by the capacity of human life to be able to become a 'life for God'. With her,



singing the Psalms which write their contemplation in the history of revelation, the human words of the preachers are rooted in a friendly understanding of the conversation by which God proposes to humanity its adoption. With her, yet again, the Order establishes at the heart of its preaching the prophetic sign of conversion to brotherly communion, confident announcement of the full realisation of the promise of the alliance in Him who is Truth. At the school of Our Lady of Preachers, this spirituality of obedience in the common life unites the Order intimately to the mystery of the Church, by the shared love of Christ, by adoption in the Breath of His life, by the gift to the world.

Study is the third method for rooting preaching by 'remaining in his Word'. It is the place of research and contemplation of the truth, and it is for this reason that it is a very particular observance in our tradition. Still firmly established in listening to Scripture,

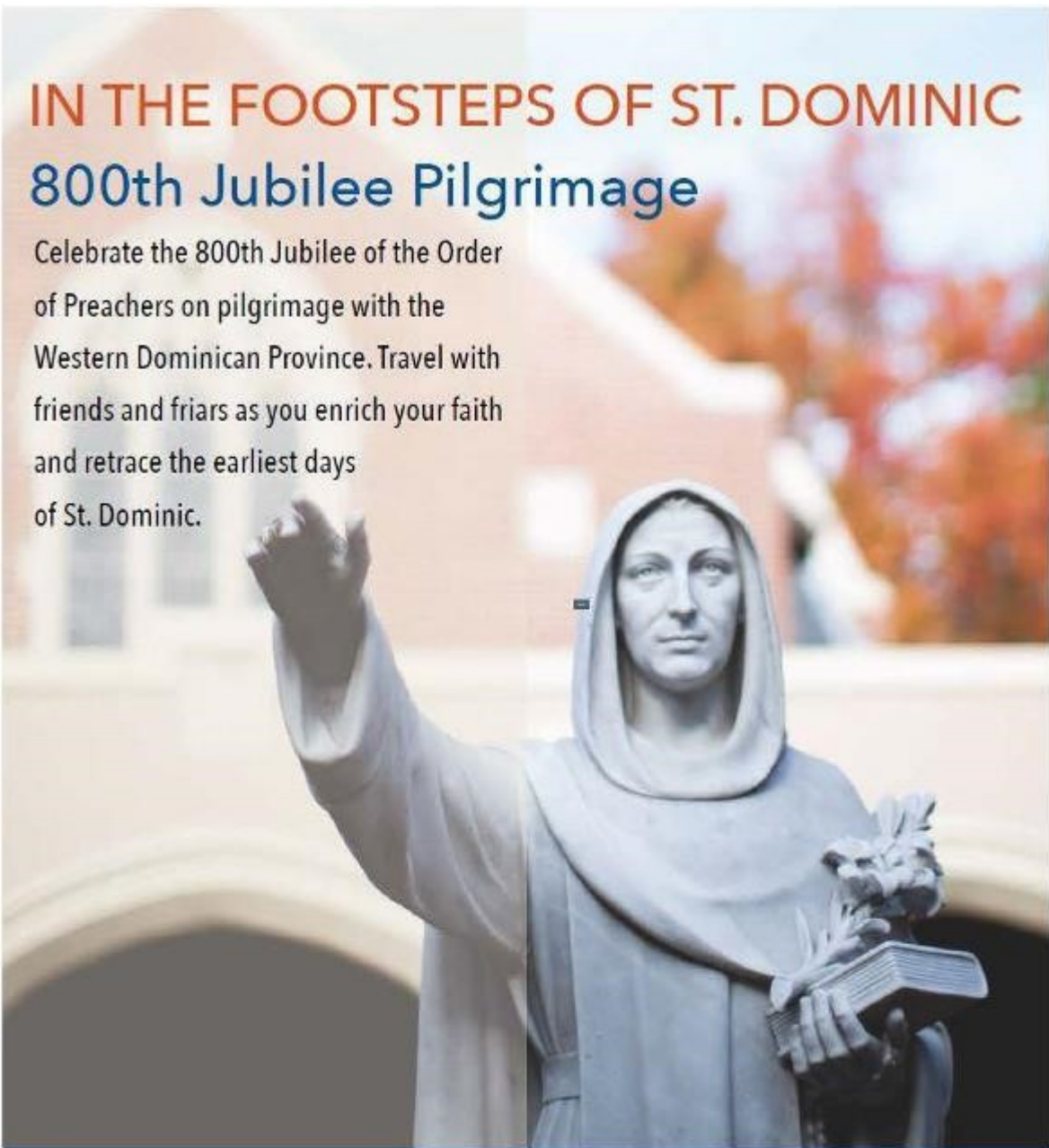
and in fidelity to the doctrine and teaching of the Church, study is in the Order the preferred way to maintain our conversation with God, leading also to a friendly and brotherly dialogue with the many systems of thought that mold the world and which search in their own way for truth. By study, the Order invites us to grow continually in freedom, not by enhancing in a worldly way the level of acquired knowledge, but rather by inviting us to move forward on the path of the 'humility of truth'. To engage human intelligence in this adventure that has the audacity to attempt by words and finite human concepts to make the mystery understandable, is both to give thanks to God the Creator who wanted human reason, however finite and limited it is, to be 'capable of God', and also to allow the surpassing of reason in hope of a fullness that no concept can truly grasp. The occurrence of hope reveals the true extent of our freedom. Government, in the Order, has the responsibility of stopping us abandoning this field of study, and to stimulate our creativity to seek constantly for the most compatible ways of proposing to others this adventure of the evangelization of reason.

To Be Continued

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The Opening Mass of the Jubilee

The Video Message of Fr Bruno Cadoré

for the Opening of the Jubilee



As we commence the celebration of the Jubilee of the 800th Anniversary of the confirmation of the Order (1216–2016), the Master of the Order, fr Bruno Cadoré sends his warmest greetings to all members of the Dominican family.

*I am happy to greet all the brothers, sisters and lay Dominicans at this opening of this year of Jubilee of the Order of Preachers, and I am pleased to greet you all from the Basilica of Santa Sabina that was given to Saint Dominic. Why? First, because Santa Sabina is the place where Dominic's preaching was rooted. He loved to pray here, he loved to contemplate, to speak to God. He loved to allow the mysteries of Christ's life to inhabit his own life. And then he also loved, they say, to speak about God to those he met, with whom he spoke about the Gospel of peace. And here, in this conversation with God, he found the strength to go and preach again. For him to go and preach meant, as is shown in the mosaic of Santa Sabina, to preach unity: the unity between the circumcised and the gentiles, unity among those who believe and those who do not believe, the unity of all, because all are capable of the same communion. That is what he wanted to announce. He found the conviction for this in his vision of Peter and Paul: Paul gives him the scriptures, the revelation, the unity of God's plan, and Peter gives him the pilgrim's staff so he could go forth. So he goes and opens the door! This is what the Jubilee of the Order is about. He opens the door, and then he looks at the door, and he sees the first representation of the crucifixion. To preach the Gospel of peace is to preach the life given in abundance by a crucified Messiah. Then he goes and he joins all those who, beginning from Christ, have preached this. The motto for the Jubilee is **"Go and preach!"***

Dominicans of Various Places

Pedro Saavedra

64 Strictly accurate

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DOWN

- 1 Voodoo amulet
- 2 Jacob's twin
- 3 Theorem in mechanics
- 4 DDE
- 5 Waterfall
- 6 Make less hard
- 7 Malarial fever
- 8 Unwell
- 9 Bottom-dwelling
- 10 Put in front
- 11 Admirable
- 12 Heroic
- 13 Confined
- 18 Hear this in Madrid
- 23 Tighten
- 24 Shank
- 25 Full of unresolved questions
- 26 Knowledge gained through meditation
- 27 Strangely
- 28 Money paid out
- 29 Thinking _____ (card message)
- 30 Monetary unit of Nigeria
- 31 Pull abruptly
- 32 Pitcher
- 36 Australian city
- 37 Japanese Christian writer
- 38 Dog food brand
- 40 Site of Santa Sabina
- 41 Enemy who is not mad
- 43 Matador's red cloth
- 44 Companion
- 45 King mackerel
- 48 Family
- 49 Spanish ear
- 50 Single entity
- 51 Where the Thomasian martyrs died
- 52 Passport endorsement
- 53 2099
- 54 Ultimate
- 57 First word of the Lord's Prayer
- 58 Not rigid

ACROSS

- 1 Pertaining to song
- 6 Stated
- 10 Done before surgery.
- 14 Japanese city
- 15 Look at amorously
- 16 Act of despoliation
- 17 Dominican artist
- 19 Catholic country
- 20 Parisian affirmation
- 21 Call to mind
- 22 Result
- 24 Prison
- 25 Form with gate and tate
- 26 Successor of Dominic
- 32 Assume
- 33 Escape from the law
- 34 Air traffic agency
- 35 Lumps of gum
- 36 C16H33
- 38 16th letter of the Hebrew alphabet
- 39 Skin disease
- 40 Tolloed
- 41 Drink liquid in a hurry
- 42 Catherine's biographer
- 46 Boss on a shield
- 47 City in Nevada
- 48 Small valley
- 51 Yorkshire river
- 52 Computer language
- 55 Queue
- 56 Dominican mystic
- 59 Entrance
- 60 Undoing
- 61 Eunuch's baptismal font
- 62 _____ bene
- 63 Romanian city

The above puzzle first appeared in the February 2009 *eLumen*. Answers are on page _____.

Brother Tonto, Cappa and Canis



Burying the Alleluia



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AROUND THE PROVINCE

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Region 4

The **St. Thomas Aquinas Chapter** of the Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic in **Lancaster, PA**, will have a guest speaker for February, Father Philip Rogers from Mohnton. March will bring us receptions and April contains our scheduled yearly retreat on Mercy. Our formation will continue in May and June. Guests are welcomed.

Our chapter news can be found at <http://oplaitylancaster.org>. This site is maintained by Ms. Rosemary Denshaw, O.P.

Official Prayer for the 800th Jubilee

God, Father of mercy,
 who called your servant Dominic d
 de Guzman to set out in faith
 as an itinerant pilgrim and
 a preacher of grace,
 as we prepare to celebrate the
 Jubilee of the Order
 we ask you to pour again into us
 the Spirit of the Risen Christ,
 that we might faithfully and joyfully
 proclaim the Gospel of peace,
 through the same Jesus Christ
 our Lord. *Amen.*

OUTSIDE THE PROVINCE

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Western Province

Dominican School of Philosophy & Theology,
 (DSPT) Berkeley, CA., 2016

Aquinas Lecture Series, Life, Language and Christ: An Aquinas Approach by Father Olivier-Thomas Venard, O.P. This is a public lecture, offered on February 23, 2016, at DSPT, 2301 Vine St., Berkeley, CA. You may watch it LIVE, at <http://dspt.edu/events/detail/aquinaslecture2016>



Father Venard is the Vice-Director of Ecole Biblique et Archeologique Francaise de Jerusalem, Professor of New Testament.

Prayers Requested

The Master of the Order, Father Bruno Cadore is calling on all members of the Dominican family to pray for the success of the next General Chapter which will take place in the city of Bologna, Italy, July 16, 2016. All are expected to offer intercessory prayers during the Divine Office for their Chapters and in the Mass offerings.



New Books for Dominicans

Jesus' School of Life: Incentives to Discipleship by Christoph Cardinal Schoenborn

<http://insightscoop.typepad.com/2004/2016/01/new-jesus-school-of-life-incentives-to-discipleship-by-christoph-cardinal-schoenborn.html>

Hounds of the Lord by Kevin Vost, PhD, http://shop.sophiainstitute.com/Hounds-of-the-Lord-P858.aspx?utm_source=CE&utm_medium=Hounds+of+the+Lord&utm_campaign=CEHoundsoftheLord

The Intellectual Life by A. G. Sertillanges, O.P.

http://aleteia.org/2016/01/06/5-unexpected-lessons-about-thinking/?utm_campaign=NL_en&utm_source=topnews_newsletter&utm_medium=mail&utm_content=NL_en-Jan%2006,%202016%2006:00%20am

