

✧ VOCATIONS CORNER ✧

Our thanks to Jim Myres, OFS, from the Cincinnati area, for submitting an idea for promoting vocations. “I would like us to invite the family members of all the folks in First, Second, and Third Order vocations to consider joining the Secular Franciscan Order. The family could take the same journey walking in the footsteps of our brother Francis.”

How many methods are there for sharing? Let us count the ways! To start, the general promotional brochure has been updated. http://nafra-sfo.org/forms/VocationsToolkitFiles/2a_OFS_Brochure_Come_and_See_General_English.pdf Fill in pertinent information, make copies and carry them with you. If you have formation houses in your area, request an opportunity to speak during a formation session about the OFS (bring brochures and refreshments). Encourage those in attendance to share with their family members and friends. Mention our NAFRA website and 1-800-Francis so relatives living in another part of the country can meet the OFS in their areas. Organize or participate in activities for promoting peace and justice to inspire others to learn more about what motivates us.

What else do you suggest? Email ideas to: 1.800.Francis@mail.com.

When Jim isn't thinking of ways to spread the word about the OFS, he maintains the Vine Street mailbox for the national fraternity! Thanks for taking care of our snail mail, Jim!



✧ FORMATION VISIONING ✧ *SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT*

Do you have a passion for Formation? Are you ready to go deeper? We are seeking 12 Secular Franciscans to join us on a special mission.

The National Formation Commission in conjunction with members of the National Executive Council will facilitate a Formation Visioning Workshop from Aug. 30-Sept. 2, 2018. Participants in the workshop include Regional Formation Directors and Regional Spiritual Assistants. Twelve additional Secular Franciscans will be invited to join us.

If you are interested in attending please contact Jane DeRose-Bamman at janedbsfo@msn.com by May 15 for an application.

What is your vision for formation? We look forward to hearing from you.