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ORDER OF MALTA

Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St. John of Jerusalem of Rhodes and of Malta



January 2015

01/23 - Serve the Poor.
4:00pm Dorothy Day Center
01/26 - Feeding Haiti.
7:00pm Urban Refuge

February 2015

02/14 - **World Day of Prayer**
10:00am St. John the Baptist
02/27 - Serve the Poor.
4:00pm Dorothy Day Center
02/28 - **Lenten Retreat**
9:00am St. Peter's - Mendota

March 2015

03/26 - Chrism Mass.
7:00pm Cathedral
03/27 - Serve the Poor.
4:00pm Dorothy Day Center

SMOM Christmas Party

The MN Delegation of The Order of Malta will celebrate Christmas together on Friday, January 9th, at the home of Bruce and Mary Jo Martin at 16330 Gladys Lane in Minnetonka beginning at 7:00pm. Knights, Dames, Auxiliary, Novices and their spouses are cordially invited to attend. Those attending are asked to bring an appetizer. To RSVP, [Click Here](#).

Feeding Haiti

Bob Hanten, KM, is organizing a food packing event to benefit the people of Haiti. We will meet at Urban Refuge Church at 5501 Chicago Ave S. Minneapolis on Monday January 26th at 7:00pm. Depending on our crew, we can pack between 1,800 and 3,600 meals. 3,600 meals is enough to feed ten people for a year! Haiti is the poorest country in our hemisphere.

The work is easy, social and fun and only lasts an hour and a half. Please bring a cash donation to help pay for the cost of the food. Afterwards, we will go out for a bite to eat and socialize. If you can attend, please [Click Here](#) and let Bob know how many will be coming. Families, with children as young as 9, are most welcome.

World Day of Prayer for the Sick

For the complete annual calendar, [CLICK HERE](#).

RED events are those whichever one is most strongly encouraged to make every effort to attend.



Please remember in your prayers:

Our novices who are preparing for Investiture in 2015:

Dorothy Guanella
Patricia Hooley
Thomas Hooley
Jean Lown
Jon Luedke
Robert Morgan
Britt Noser

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This year we will celebrate World Day of Prayer for the Sick on February 14th beginning with Mass at 10:00am at St John the Baptist in New Brighton.

Immediately following Mass, we will assist clergy who will be blessing the sick and their caregivers throughout the worship space. For full details, [Click Here](#). Knights and Dames are asked to Vest and Auxiliary and Friends of the Order are asked to wear red.

Lenten Retreat

We will hold our annual Lenten Retreat on Saturday, February 28th at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Mendota, beginning at 9:00am and concluding with Mass at 3:00pm. Please mark your calendars for this very important day of reflection and preparation for Easter. Members in formation for possible Investiture 2015 will have special breakout sessions critical to their formation. Further details will be available in our February newsletter.

Malta Study Center

The Fall issue of *Illuminations*, the semi-annual newsletter from the Hill Museum & Manuscript Library for the Malta Study Center at St. John's University is now available. To read the on line edition, [Click Here](#).



Housing the Homeless

Thanks to the men of the Order of Malta who help us keep our shelter doors open during these long winter evenings. We will add 15 beds on January 11th bringing our total count to 40. We now have nearly 100 Friends of The Order from



Friends of the Order from more than a dozen parishes helping in our effort. To learn more, [Click Here](#). To see more of our facility as it was decorated for Christmas, [Click Here](#).



Pilgrimage for Life 2015

Registration for the 2015 Pilgrimage for Life is open for a few more days. Please join us January 21-22, 2015 in Washington, DC for the 42nd annual March for Life. For itinerary and registration, [Click Here](#).

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