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Events from the
Spring

Order of Malta South Florida Area

Second Quarter 2014

South Florida Area
Spring 2014 Retreat
March 22, 2014





Upcoming Events for the Order of Malta, South Florida Area

March 22

Fr. Patrick O'Neill will lead members in a Day of Reflection at St. Vincent de Paul Seminary, Boyton Beach, Florida

April 13

Annual Palm Sunday Mass at the home of Emilia and Pepe Fanjul.

April 16

Camillus House Service Day

June 18

Camillus House Service Day

June 24

St. John the Baptist Mass and Annual Meeting. Location TBA

August 20

Camillus House Service Day

October 15

Camillus House Service Day

November 22

2nd Annual White Mass
St. Patrick's Church
Miami Beach, Florida

December 17

Camillus House Service Day

For all events please R.S.V.P

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Sean Clancy, K.M.
Area Chair

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Dear Knights and Dames,

Best wishes to you and your families for a holy Lenten season and for a wonderful Easter. Many exciting things are happening with our South Florida Order of Malta and I want to ask for your continued assistance in carrying out our mission.

The next item on our calendar is our spiritual retreat at St. Vincent de Paul Seminary in Boynton Beach on Saturday, March 22nd from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. It will be a wonderful opportunity to fulfill a Regulation of our Order, which is a commitment to grow our spirituality. It is a beautiful setting where we can

reflect, renew and build more camaraderie amongst our membership.

There is no charge for our members or any guests you care to bring, we will have lunch and our dynamic Chaplain, Father Pat O'Neill, is our Retreat Master. Please contact me if anyone needs transportation assistance. I am asking all of you to make an extra special effort to attend and join us on this spiritual day. Your attendance shows a commitment to your responsibility as a member of Malta.

We will again be celebrating Palm Sunday Mass on Sunday, April 13th at 5 p.m. at the home of Emilia and Pepe Fanjul in Palm

Beach. I would like to publicly thank Emilia and Pepe for their generosity and commitment to the Order for graciously hosting this event for almost twenty years. Cocktails will follow and it is a wonderful way to gather together as a group.

On April 16th we will be serving lunch to the homeless at Camillus House in Miami. Service to the sick and poor is what we are doing and all are invited to volunteer. It goes from 11:30am to 1:30pm. We are also scheduled at Camillus House on June 18, August 20, October 15 and December 17. Please join us and I promise you will leave with a feeling of fulfillment and joy in

helping those who are less fortunate. You may sign up with me in advance.

Our annual meeting and celebration of the Feast of St John the Baptist will take place on Tuesday, June 24th. The exact time and location will be forthcoming.

Lastly, I am very pleased to announce the formation of a new Malta Palm Beach Area that will be an offshoot of our existing Malta South Florida Area. We are all still part of the South Florida Order, but it will enable us to offer a greater array of Malta activities for those in the Palm Beach region as well as an opportunity for the snowbirds, from Malta Areas up north,

who are here during the season.

There has been a frustration over the years with the great span of distance between our membership from Monroe County up through Martin County. Many of the events in Miami are not easy or convenient to attend for those in the Palm Beach area due to distance and traffic. Our hope is to double our list of Malta events and activities by organizing a more geographically friendly location to complement our outreach in the Miami area.

Jack McAuliffe and his wife, Hawley Hilton McAuliffe, have graciously agreed to head up this Palm Beach initiative. Bishop Barbarito of the Diocese of Palm Beach

has also agreed to assist Father Pat O'Neill as another Chaplain for our Order in Palm Beach. Jack and Hawley will be hosting a meeting at the Everglades Club in Palm Beach on Monday, March 24th from 5:30-7pm and we will announce the details. All members are welcome. Please RSVP to Jack at: Jack@beautyhandbook.com.

At the end of the day, we are trying to engage our membership with as many ways possible to take care of the sick and the poor and defend the faith. This new Palm Beach group will help us to redouble our efforts to achieve this goal.

Yours in Christ,

Sean Clancy, K. M.



Our South Florida Area Service Project:

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Camillus House

2735 NW 5 Avenue

Miami, FL 33127



*Graphic from: Camillus.Org

We continue to deepen our relationship with Camillus House by committing to serve every other month.

This “hands on” project to fulfill our commitment as members of the Order of Malta to “Serve our Lords, the sick and the poor” has become the highlight of our Area.

“Rewarding, enriching, respectful and thankful” are the words one of our members used to describe his work with the Order at Camillus House.

Upcoming dates are:

April 16

June 18

August 20

October 15

December 17

Malta Aprons will be provided, casual clothing recommended. Parking is available onsite.

Members may bring a guest to help serve and please RSVP: sean.clancy@ubs.com

Spring Day of Reflection



On Saturday, March 22nd the Order of Malta, South Florida area will have a Day of Reflection at the St. Vincent de Paul Seminary in Boynton Beach. The retreat will begin with Mass. Fr. Patrick O'Neill, our Chaplain, will lead us in our retreat and we will conclude with lunch at the seminary. Anyone having transportation problems please contact Sean Clancy so we can assist you and ensure your attendance.

9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul Seminary:

10701 S Military Trail, Boynton Beach, FL 33436

Please RSVP to Sean Clancy at: sean.clancy@ubs.com



Annual Palm Sunday Mass

The Palm Sunday Mass this year will be Sunday, April 13 at the home of Emilia and Pepe Fanjul. Invitations with details will be sent to all members.

Prison Ministry Update

February 21 and 22, Malta Prison Ministry Committees met in Boca Raton to discuss the state of the ministry. These meetings are held twice a year to review what prison ministry projects are under way throughout the country and what projects are being developed or discussed for the future.

Among other things, the group suggested development of a Spanish edition of The Serving Brother prison newsletter, which currently stands at about 33,000 copies per printing. It is estimated that three inmates will read one copy as it gets passed around in the jails and prisons. The Spanish edition would increase the viewing of this exceptional piece, written exclusively for the incarcerated, and will be more inclusive of our incarcerated Spanish brothers and sisters.

A Florida Resource Guide to assist released inmates with re-entry information has been completed through the efforts Dr. Laura Finley and her classes at Barry University. This manuscript is now at our headquarters in New York where it is being prepared for publication through a generous grant by the

Amaturo Family Foundation. This document will assist released prisoners, the homeless and the working poor, to locate public and private assistance for a variety of needs. We expect other Area's and Association's will develop a similar guide.

It is hoped that in the future, this group will expand to include the Canadian and Cuban Association's, along with the current American, Federal and Western Association's, creating a North American Council for Malta Prison Ministry.

The next meeting will be this fall in San Francisco.

Andy Vissicchio



Photo Roundup Spring 2014



Wini Amaturio and Andy Vissicchio, Prison Ministry



American Association Spring Spiritual Retreat at the Bethany Retreat Center, Lutz, Florida, attended by Bill and Betty Bourke, and Lee da Graça Pinto of the South Florida Area