

OCDS Provincial Newsletter

California-Arizona Province of St. Joseph – April 2022

Recommended Reading for Ongoing Formation

"It is also a great help to take a good book written in the vernacular in order to recollect one's thoughts and pray well vocally, and little by little accustom the soul with coaxing and skill not to grow discouraged." (St. Teresa of Avila, Way of Perfection, 26:10.)

Notables

Recommendations for Ongoing Formation

Calling All Council Members

The Provincial Council would like to remind all presidents, group leaders, and council members to review our OCDS Constitutions and Provincial Statutes, especially the sections pertaining to the governance and formation of our members.

2023 Elections

Please note that all canonically-established OCDS communities within our province will be required to hold elections in the spring of 2023, regardless of when the previous, delayed elections were held during the pandemic. The elections will need to be completed in March or April 2023, prior to the friars' chapter, which will be held in May 2023. Eligibility to vote and to be nonimated for office will be determined, as usual, by the attendance requirements outlined in our Provincial Statutes, Sec. XIII, No. 3, on page 64.

Please Pray for Our Deceased Members

Margaret Albee, OCDS Louise Costa, OCDS Frank Hubble, OCDS Modesto, CA

Judith Hill, OCDS
Therese Taraska, OCDS
Mead, CO

If you know of an OCDS member in our province who has died within the last 12 months and who has not been listed in a previous newsletter, please send the name, city and state to Lynn Miyake, OCDS, at Lkmiyake@aol.com.

If your community or group is looking for a good book to use in your ongoing formation class, the Provincial Council recommends the following books (listed by author):

Dan Burke

The Devil in the Castle, St. Teresa of Avila, Spiritual Warfare...

P. Marie-Eugene (Blessed)

I Want to See God (Highly recommended by Fr. Matthew)
I Am a Daughter of the Church

Marc Foley, OCD

The Ascent of Mount Carmel: Reflections
The Dark Night: Psychological Experience and Spiritual Reality
The Context of Holiness, Psychological and Spiritual Reflections...

Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, OCD

Union with God: According to St. John of the Cross

Iain Matthew, OCD

The Impact of God, Soundings from St. John of the Cross

Margaret Rowe

God is Love, Saint Teresa Margaret: Her Life

Steven Payne, OCD

The Carmelite Tradition: Spirituality in History

Edith Stein (St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, OCD)

The Hidden Life, Essays, Meditations, Spiritual Texts The Science of the Cross Woman

If you have other recommendations for ongoing formation, please email them to the editor at Lkmiyake@aol.com. All recommendations must relate to our Camelite vocation. Please verify that your recommendations are currently available in print before submiting them to the editor.