



Meeting Every 3rd Sunday @ Church of the Transfiguration, 25225 Code Road, Southfield, MI 48034

• **Church of the Transfiguration Meeting: November 21, 2021** •

If you are unable to attend, please call Sue Hayosh, OFS Minister at 586-790-6066

Fraternity Website: <https://sfo.life/>

All Vaccinated or Unvaccinated for Covid are Encouraged to Wear a Mask.

Holy Mass: 12:00 noon • Coffee/Social Time: 1:00-1:30 • Meeting: 1:30-3:00 • Council Mtg: 3:15-4:30



*Praise and Thanksgiving
Prayer Service*

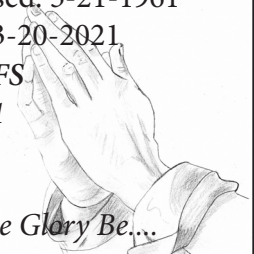
Prayer Service:
Sr. Lynn Hartigan, OSF
Presider:
Sue Hayosh, OFS

Meeting Sister Death

*Be praised, my Lord, for our Sister Bodily Death,
From whom no living man can escape!*

Dr. Myrna Malabonga, OFS *Virginia Mann, OFS*
Professed: 1-15-1989 *Professed: 5-21-1961*
Died: 5-17-2021 *Died: 3-20-2021*

Genevieve Tobias, OFS
Professed: 3-20-1981
Died: 2-6-2021



One Hail Mary, One Our Father, One Glory Be...

OUR HERITAGE: THE CANTICLE OF BROTHER SUN

Most high, all powerful, all good Lord! All praise is yours, all glory, all honor, and all blessing. To you, alone, Most High, do they belong. No mortal lips are worthy to pronounce your name.

Be praised, my Lord, through all your creatures, especially through my lord Brother Sun, who brings the day; and you give light through him. And he is beautiful and radiant in all his splendor! Of you, Most High, he bears the likeness.

Be praised, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars; in the heavens you have made them, precious and beautiful.

Be praised, my Lord, through Brothers Wind and Air, and clouds and storms, and all the weather, through which you give your creatures sustenance.

Be praised, My Lord, through Sister Water; she is very useful, and humble, and precious, and pure.

Be praised, my Lord, through Brother Fire, through whom you brighten the night. He is beautiful and cheerful, and powerful and strong.

Be praised, my Lord, through our sister Mother Earth, who feeds us and rules us, and produces various fruits with colored flowers and herbs.

Be praised, my Lord, through those who forgive for love of you; through those who endure sickness and trial. Happy those who endure in peace, for by you, Most High, they will be crowned.

Be praised, my Lord, through our Sister Bodily Death, from whose embrace no living person can escape. Woe to those who die in mortal sin! Happy those she finds doing your most holy will. The second death can do no harm to them.

Praise and bless my Lord, and give thanks, and serve him with great humility!



Fraternal Visitation Report
#56-122 St. Elizabeth of Hungary Fraternity / Southfield, MI
Divine Mercy Region (DMR) of the Secular Franciscan Order (OFS)
September 16, 2018

A Fraternal Visitation with the St. Elizabeth of Hungary Fraternity was conducted September 16, 2018. Fraternal Visitor Divine Mercy Regional (DMR) Minister Jim Graczyk OFS met with the Council of St. Elizabeth of Hungary and reviewed documents prior to meeting with the entire Fraternity to observe their Gathering and participate in discussion. The following are observations and conclusions made by the Fraternal Visitor.

History/Status. St. Elizabeth of Hungary Fraternity is bonded to Saint John the Baptist Province. There are currently 34 professed members and two in initial formation. Their Spiritual Assistant is Sr. Lynn Hartigan OSF and she was appointed in September of 2004. St. Elizabeth of Hungary Fraternity is scheduled for an election on October 21, 2018.

Fraternal Life. St. Elizabeth of Hungary Fraternity is welcoming, and blessed to meet at a Franciscan Church in Southfield, and to have such a joyful Spiritual Assistant in Sr. Lynn Hartigan. Members were friendly and engaging in the meeting, and it was an honor to visit and share together. This was the first visitation for me as a newly elected minister.

The hospitable nature of the fraternity stood out; members care for one another. I observed their willingness to help each other, and readiness to assist others to meet responsibilities. This amicable, social characteristic of the fraternity is like a magnet for attracting new members.

I encourage members to continue to bear one another's burdens, love one another as this fraternity does, and bring that into the world. In this vein, I see this community of love as a fraternity flourishing.

Records were in order. Binders and registry are current, up to date. Treasurer is current with statements and reports. The fraternity is organized, and publishes a monthly newsletter called *The Herald* that keeps members informed, and gets posted on their website.

The St. Elizabeth of Hungary has an outreach utilizing social media to be visible, and stresses the Franciscan charism. They employ innovative efforts, are visionary and resourceful, creatively solving a problem like attracting new members that is a model for other fraternities to emulate.

I observed servant leadership stressed, and encourage this fraternity to share their ideas and guidance with neighboring smaller fraternities that are struggling. This proactive outreach of their community of love to will build up the Kingdom of God by assisting and personally inviting challenged fraternities to collaborate on events and resources is invaluable to the Church.

This fraternity is strong in their fraternal communion and co-responsibility that I encourage them to support, welcome and invite smaller fraternities like Our Lady of the Angels and St. Anthony of Padua, to provide them with hope. What an innovative apostolate this would be!

The St. Elizabeth fraternity has a strong Franciscan core and is also centrally located that invaluable to supporting the Divine Mercy Region and the Church. Continue to share the joy, to welcome all into your heartwarming community and to reach out to those in need.

James Graczyk, OFS Fraternal Visitor, Divine Mercy Regional Minister