



The Secular Franciscan Order

(Ordo Franciscanus Saecularis: OFS)

Secular Franciscans, make up the third branch of the Franciscan Family formed by lay Catholic men and women who seek to observe the Gospel of Jesus by following the example of Francis of Assisi.

When we get together we...

- Seek to mature in our Catholic Christian spirituality through prayer and study.
- Explore the lives of St Francis and St. Clare.
- Study our faith in light of the Gospel, so as to go from Gospel to life and life to Gospel. This is the heart of the OFS Rule, our way of life.
- Have small group discussions.
- Encourage peace by living the Beatitudes.
- Pursue Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation (JPIC), which flows naturally from the life of St Francis.

Pope Benedict has said: “Francis of Assisi is a great teacher of our faith and our praise. When he fell in love with Jesus Christ, he found the face of God-Love; he became his passionate singer and an authentic “minstrel of God.” In light of the beatitudes, we understand the meekness and humility with which he related to others, becoming a witness and agent of peace.”

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Meetings: The first Thursday of the month, after the 5:30 PM Mass, at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Church,

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