

Where There Is Hope...

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...there is an elective Chapter! There are a number of planets that need to align for our National Elections to take place next October – will CIOFS be able to send someone? – will we be able to travel? – will the pandemic be under control enough to allow all of the above?

Right now, all we have is HOPE, but we are forging ahead as if it will all happen. **Let us act as if it is so, so that it will be so!** I have started the timeline to make sure all the deadlines are met on time, which means before you know it, I'll be asking for nominations. *Thinking* about nominations can start now! So start thinking about each position and who would be best for that job. Nominations will be solicited for:

National Minister
National Treasurer
National Councilor 3
National Vice Minister

National Councilor 1
International Councilor
National Secretary
National Councilor 2

The official announcement of the Elective Chapter takes place six months before the scheduled day of elections. At that time, nominations will be accepted for any or all the positions listed. All permanently professed members may make nominations. Spiritual Assistants and Candidates may make suggestions for nominees to a professed member. You may nominate more than one person for a specific position, and you may nominate yourself.

If you are interested in being on the Nominations Committee, I'm looking for a professed member to help with the process. If you are interested or would like to know more about the duties please send an e-mail to me at kkleinert@msn.com

If the planets *do* align, we will be meeting at Montserrat Jesuit Retreat House in Lake Dallas, Texas, Oct 26-31, 2021. Keep those prayers going up for a successful Chapter!

Franciscan Pilgrimage

Capuchin Priest, Father Cyrus Gallagher will lead a 10 day Pilgrimage/Retreat to Rome and to the Franciscan Treasures of Italy: Greccio, Assisi, San Giovanni Rotondo and the tomb of St Padre Pio. This Pilgrimage/Retreat is designed to be a peaceful and relaxing experience, for the "mature pilgrim". At least two nights will be spent at each hotel. Daily Mass will be celebrated with ample time for personal devotion. Optional evening conferences will be available, when possible, with an emphasis on **Secular Franciscan Spirituality**. In preparation, participants will receive a monthly email reflection on Franciscan Spirituality. Register early to receive significant saving.

For a colorful brochure, on-line or printed, contact Fr Cyrus at 719-661-1145 or cyrusgallagher38@gmail.com

Register with confidence. In the event the pilgrimage is cancelled, you will receive full refund.



A Pilgrimage to Assisi, San Giovanni Rotondo & Rome

November 2 - 12, 2021



Host:
Father
Cyrus
Gallagher

