Definitory notes from June 25/26th, 2017

St. Joseph of Cupertino Friary, Castro Valley, CA.

- Discussed a number of personnel situations and opportunities
- Noted that Bao Quoc Nguyen has received and accepted his Indult of Dispensation from Temporary Vows. Please keep Bao and his mother in your prayers!
- Based upon the financial situation of the Province, and in order to ensure the future care of our aging and infirm Friars, and our student Friars, to implement the actions decided upon in our Financial Action plan.
 - We will petition the NRRO for a grant to fund engaging a Social Worker to create an individual care program for each Friar that is not covered by an employment provided insurance plan.
 - We will petition the NRRO for a grant to fund a facilities audit and evaluation for possible future improvements for our St. Joseph of Cupertino Friary.
- Received the petitions and evaluations for admittance to simple Profession of Vows from:
 - Friar Angel Garcia
 - Friar Chris Garcia
 - Both received a positive vote. Congratulations Angel and Chris!
- Previously, Friar Robert Herbst had been asked, and accepted the responsibility to Chair the Statutes Committee. Friars James Reiter and Jacob Carazo volunteered to be members of that Committee. (Thank you Robert, Jim and Jacob!)
- Nominated Friar Christopher Saindon to Chair our work for Peace, Justice and Concern for the Environment. (Chris subsequently accepted; thank you Chris!)
- Received and update on the Viva Francis Foundation.
- Met with Friar Luke Vu, Delegate of our Vietnam Delegation.
- Received the petitions and evaluations for admittance to the Novitiate of:
 - Friar Joseph TRÂN VĂN ĐỨC
 - Friar Joseph VŨ ĐỨC HUYNH

- Friar Joseph NGUYĒN QUỐC HUY
- All received a positive vote. Congratulations all three Josephs!
- Received the petitions and evaluations for admittance to simple Profession of Vows for:
 - Friar Gieronimo (Jerome) VŨ THÁI HỌC
 - Friar John Baptist TRÂN VĂN HƠIỚNG
 - Friar Joseph LÊ PHAM VIÊT HOÀNG
 - Friar Joseph ĐOÀN MINH VŨ
 - All received a positive vote. Congratulations Jerome, John Baptist, Joseph and Joseph!
- Received the petitions and evaluations for admittance to Solemn Profession of Vows for:
 - Friar Dominic NGUYĒN VĂN TIÉN
 - Friar Joseph TRÂN VĂN CUƠNG
 - Friar Michael NGUYĒN KHẢI HOÀNG
 - All received a positive vote. Congratulations Dominic, Joseph and Michael!
- Received the petitions and evaluations for admittance to the Order of the Deaconate for:
 - o Friar Joseph Pio TRÂN VĂN DƠI ƠNG
 - Friar Peter Giuliano Eymard HOÀNG THÀNH ĐÔNG
 - Friar Joseph Maria TRÂN VĂN LONG
 - All received a positive vote. Congratulations Joseph Pio, Peter and Joseph Maria!
- Received the petitions and evaluations for admittance to the Order of the Presbyterate for:

 - Friar Deacon Paul Raphael LÊ ĐứC CHÁNH
 - All received a positive vote. Congratulations Peter and Paul Raphael!
- The next Definitory is schedule for August 1st through the 3rd.

Please keep all our Friars in transition in your prayers!