Email to the members-March 4, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters.

Brother wind is making his presence known as we enter March! But, I prefer to think that it is the breath of the Holy Spirit who helping us to enter the season of Lent with the "cobwebs" of our sins and distractions blown away.

Here are a few **items of interest for Lent and beyond** which have been added to our website and Facebook page. Please share information with your brothers and sisters who do not have access to the Internet.

1- You received this week the newest issue of *OFS e-Vents*. It was excellent as usual. Thank you to **Anna Geraci** for all her hard work on this and on the Troubadour.

Did you know that you can access present and past editions of **The Troubadour** (both print and digital versions) and **OFS e-vents any time you wish on our website**? The link below will take you to the Troubadour page; then click on any of the links and the issue will open. Scroll down and you will see issues back to 2006!

http://olangels.tripod.com/troubadour.html

2- Also on our website, on the **JPIC page**, you will find a wealth of information for **LENT** sent to us by our National JPIC Animator Carolyn Townes. Please read her letter and the other information given in PDF format. http://www.ourladyoftheangelsregion.org/JPIC.html

Did you know that we have recently appointed a JPIC chair for our Region? **Chris Leone, OFS**, was appointed at our February Regional Exec. He has written an excellent article which you will read in the print edition of The Troubadour coming out during the month of March.

3- Did you know that you can sign up for our Retreat (August 4-6)? The application is now available on our website.

http://ourladyoftheangelsregion.org/2017 Regional Retreat.pdf

- 4- **Did you know that** your Ministers have received a request to submit Fair Share and to send me their Annual Report? Please help them to get this job done!! The packet for the Minister's Report is on our website: http://ourladyoftheangelsregion.org/Annual_Report_packet_2017.PDF
- 5- Did you know that Convivenza is on April 22 at St. Francis Church on West 31st Street in Manhattan? Registration is at 9 AM. We thank St. Benedict the Moor Fraternity and members of the Manhattan Cluster for hosting. We have asked your Ministers to RSVP by April 15th. Please let them know if you will attend.
- 6- Did you know that there will be two opportunities for Candidates (and Formation teams) to attend Cluster Formation classes (Manhattan-Westchester-Staten Island on Saturday May 6th and North Jersey-Central Jersey on June 24th)?

Please see the information on our website Formation page: http://www.ourladvoftheangelsregion.org/formation.html

Please know that your Regional Executive Council is working for you and with you every day. We keep you and your fraternities in our prayers and we ask that you keep us in yours.

Many blessings, Diane

--Diane F. Menditto, OFS Minister, Our Lady of the Angels Region