

Jesus Caritas National Fraternity Meeting Conference Call Tuesday, April 4, 2017 4pm Eastern Time

On the line: Hap Ragan, John Jacquel, Greg Pawlowski, Ron Belisle, Joe Greely and Bob Amundsen.

1. Review of Life - After leading us in prayer – to move more deeply into the paschal mystery, Hap mentioned he was searching for a new principal, music director, and director of mission (chief of staff) and they're all going well. Also, Mike Smith has inoperable cancer and Hap was blessed to have time to speak with him. Mike hopes to see Christmas. John was moved by the film version of "The Shack" (better than the book in his opinion) and by the death of Turner Classic Movie host, Robert Osborne. Greg said Easter came today – the legal/financial resolution for their social hall happened earlier today, but it's been an emotionally draining process. Ron was feeling physically sore after hiking and piling wood yesterday. He also reported being emotionally moved by "The House of D" a movie with Robin Williams. His replacement has been identified and will be taking over in September (instead of July). Bob reports not much going on but the oil well and tanks have been removed, so the land can be sold. When the check hits the account, they can begin paving the parking lot. Joe was contacted by a 65-year-old woman who wanted to have lunch. She last saw him when he was teaching her in high school!

2. Preparing for the Assembly – Joe hasn't had a chance to finalize the cost for participants (hopefully he can get it to \$400). The LA fraternities will help with transportation from LAX or other airports (Burbank is a little closer). The flight info will all be gathered at the office (Augusta) and forwarded to Joe. Fernando Tapia will give the Day of Recollection – and at that time perhaps we can identify some delegates to the 2018 Pan-American assembly in Santo Domingo. Hap would like us to address how we might better reach our younger clergy as well as our international priests (here for a few years). Perhaps they can spread the word about Jesus Caritas when they return home.

3. Questionair for Bangalore – It will be in the Newsletter with responses due back by June (realistically), even though we may find the questions a bit abstract and "European." The last question might get more response if it were turned around – "By our Review of Life, Day in the Desert, Eucharistic Adoration, and accompanying the poor, how do we realize and experience the spirituality of Brother Charles?"

4. Newsletter – May be finished and shipped out tomorrow or later this week. Bob's article on Desert might be held for next edition. Greg's article on Eucharistic Adoration can be a little later.

5. News – Keep Felix in our prayers, as well as Mike Smith.

6. Prayer of Abandonment - was prayed at 4:42 pm EST.

7. Next conference call – Tuesday, May 2nd

Respectfully submitted: John Jacquel