

## **Jesus Caritas National Fraternity Meeting Conference Call**

**Tuesday, April 24, 2018 4pm Eastern Time**

On the line: Hap Ragan, John Jacquel, Ron Belisle, Bob Amundsen, Greg Pawlowski and Joe Greeley who joined us near the end.

- 1. Review of Life** – Hap led us in an opening prayer. He mentioned that he's doing "too much doctoring" lately, with a vein oblation and his weight up. He also mentioned some aggressiveness entering his spirit – but moving toward gentleness. John will say 'no' to the invitation to lead the 5-day retreat in Canton, OH; Bob had seven funerals since Easter and a priest convocation (no rest – 3 days with working sessions) but otherwise doing okay – in a good space; Ron was chopping wood today and thinking about pruning vines and finally found a place to work on the Week of Nazareth (St Martin University). His hearing aid needs upgraded – it's frustrating. Greg (in Lincoln) reflected upon John 10 and Acts 9 with Fraternity yesterday. It's important to have others helping you. His "Amazing Parish" program is going well. But, he has double vision again – prism in lens may be temporary or permanent. Joe joined us late but just got off jury duty and is proud of his brother, Paul's, artwork on display.
- 2. Shannon's Report** – (a) Treasury report looks good (\$28,076). (b) DuesLetter got a great response. (c) Detroit Days – some registered, but e-mail blast will include a registration form. We'll have Holy Hour/ Mass / Breakfast in the morning, with Pre-prandials/ Dinner / Optional Movie in the evening. John has about 10 films already to 'hone down,' but others are welcome.
- 3. Universal Brother Award** – We think we'll give it in Detroit, also. Thinking about Tom McCormick or Jim O'Donnell (both in their 80's). Tom plans to join us in Detroit, so we'll choose him, with no objections voiced from the Council.
- 4. General Assembly** – The plans have changed – January 15-30, 2019 in Cebu, Philippines. The issue was getting Pakistanis into India, so change of venue. John Jacquel has talked about going with Bob Amundsen as well (if possible).
- 5. National Council Meeting** – October 8-11, 2018 at Tybee Island – Working days on Tuesday, Oct 9, and Wednesday, Oct 10. Ron Belisle will be unable to join us (he'll be on his way to Viviers, France, retreat)
- 6. Month of Nazareth** – Fall 2019 – Perhaps Ron Belisle could direct the Month in Tybee Island, GA? He is willing to cooperate with whomever – maybe Hap and Ron could help lead this. The people in Hap's parish are most supportive of his involvement in Fraternity. With the embedded retreat (leaders: Bishop Felipe Estevez or Bishop Don Hanchon) near Jacksonville, FL.
- 7. Newsletter** – The spring version should be out mid-May, which will include the letter from Santo Domingo, Ron's article on the Week of Nazareth, and anything you've recently seen in the media (send it to Hap).
- 8. Coming Soon** – YouTube Formation series (there's been nothing noteworthy in English).
- 9. Prayer of Abandonment** – was begun 4:54 pm EST with Ron Belisle leading.

Next Conference Call – Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 *Respectfully submitted: John Jacquel*