

## Vocation without Vows

Secular Franciscans do not take vows but make promises to live in the way of St. Francis.

Admission to the order is open to men and women, single or married, those not already members of another order, and at least 18 years of age.

*You will be in  
good company.*



*The Meeting of St. Clare and St. Francis*

*Visit our website to  
find a fraternity near  
you*



[Insert Fraternity Name]  
Secular Franciscan Fraternity

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Order of Franciscans Secular

[Insert City]

*The Secular Franciscan Order was established by St. Francis of Assisi more than 800 years ago. Our purpose is to bring the Gospel to life where we live and where we work. We look for ways to embrace the Gospel in our lives and try to help others to do likewise.*



[Insert Fraternity Name]

## → **Enrich Your Spiritual Life**

Do you want to be a better Catholic? Draw nearer to God?

Become more Christ - like? Then you may have a vocation to the Secular Franciscan Order. We are an association of men and women —married and single —who live and work in the world. We follow a way of life that is faithful to the original Rule written by St. Francis of Assisi adapted to the circumstances of today.

*The rewards are many.*

## → **As Members of our order you will find:**

- Direction
- Inspiration
- Encouragement
- Support to reach your spiritual goals

## → **Fraternal Relationship**

Franciscan living is about relationship. Bringing the Gospel to your life and giving life to the Gospel is done by building the kingdom of God through relationships. Fraternity living is radical living in solidarity with all of humanity and creation. In fraternity we witness to one another and to the world the infinite love and grace of God.

## → **Call to Communion**

*The vocation to the OFS is a vocation to live the Gospel in fraternal communion.*

~Article 3, General Constitutions

*A spirituality of communion indicates above all the heart's contemplation of the mystery of the Trinity dwelling in us, and whose light we must also be able to see shining on the face of the brothers and sisters around us."*

~Pope St. John Paul II

Union with Christ leads to our communion in the Mystical Body of Christ, the Church, bearing fruit in our sharing in Christ's mission. Like Francis, we too, are called to rebuild the Church in fraternal communion.