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Chapter 2016 Planning

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Six months to Chapter!

We celebrated and ate cake.



Thank you!

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The CPC is grateful for your full and committed participation in the October, November, and December 2015 Assemblies. Your active participation is outstanding and a blessing!

You will recall that the CPC's primary focus was about personal and communal discernment and lifting up tentative Chapter Agenda. The Chapter Agenda topics from all Assemblies were collated and studied by the CPC. It is that compilation that served as the basis for the CPC discernment identifying the Chapter Agenda. Click for the [responses](#).

Congratulations we have a Chapter Agenda!

The Contemplative Dialogue Circles, held during July and August, and the Assemblies in October, November, and December, identified our Chapter Agenda. During our January 2016 CPC meeting we discerned that Franciscan Spirituality, in all its depth and grace, is the overarching topic for our Chapter.

Other topics related to Franciscan Spirituality that emerged with prominent focus are: Expressions of Franciscan Life-Emerging Forms and Vowed Life, Mission and Ministry, Our Sister Mother Earth, and Leadership.

The image below with chapter agenda reminds us as the Chapter approaches of the call to "Be the Fire!" through our enfleshing these Chapter Agenda topics.

Upcoming Meetings

February 19-20, 2016

March 11-12, 2016

May 13-14, 2016

July 24, 2016



Franciscan Spirituality

Expressions of Franciscan Life-Emerging Forms and Vowed Life,
Mission and Ministry
Our Sister Mother Earth
Leadership

Call for New Contemplative Dialogue Circles

CPC welcomes you, Sisters and Associates, to this next phase of preparation for Chapter 2016. We invite you to gather again in self-selected groups as before and reflect upon our Chapter Agenda. Here is the [link](#) to the file of the process and the response form(s) to be returned by **Tuesday, March 1, 2016**.

Let's Talk

We continue to encourage everyone to use Duolingo for learning Portuguese and Spanish.

Duolingo-Learn Languages is free on Apple, Smart phone, Ipads, and on all computers. You may download this application on your phone or Ipad or set up an online account to use on your computer. Go to: www.Duolingo.com

If you are unable to use Duolingo we are providing [a list](#) of Portuguese and English phrases that you can study and use in your conversations.



Fully Engaged Ballots

The ballots to affirm the Fully Engaged Participants was emailed by Susan Hines on Friday, January 22. If you have not received a ballot click [this link](#) to print the Fully Engaged Ballot (CPC-8d)

Print out a copy and mail to Susan Hines, P.O. Box W, St. Bonaventure, NY 14778 by February 10, 2016. All ballots must be signed.

Liturgy Committee Request

The Liturgy Committee of Chapter 2016 is inviting Sisters and Associates, who are inspired by God's Word and moved by the Spirit, to preach at one of the Chapter Liturgies.

The homily is usually 5-7 minutes in length and connects the congregation's story and dream to the Scripture of the Mass, and its celebration. It may be spoken in the language(s) of your choice. The liturgy committee will provide, for your prayerful preparation, the scripture readings for the Mass and the general direction of the Chapter proceedings for the day.

Please submit your name to Judith Terrameo srjterrameo@gmail.com by Tuesday, February 2. Judith will compile the requests for the February meeting of the CPC. The CPC will use these requests as part of their discernment in calling forth Sisters and Associates to this ministry. Thank you for taking this request to heart and prayer. We look forward to hearing from you!

Let us continue to seek out ways to "Be the Fire" and place our gifts at the service of others as we prepare for Chapter 2016.

Forms coming in early February

The following forms will be emailed in February.

- Chapter Attendance for Sisters (CPC-8e)
 - Chapter Attendance for Associates (CPC-8f)
 - Campus Housing at St. Bonaventure University (CPC-8g)
 - Transportation from Buffalo airport or bus terminal (CPC-8h)
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