

Initial Formation Schedule

The Franciscan Journey

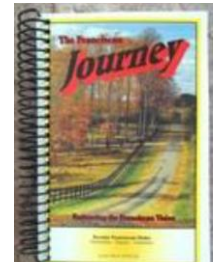
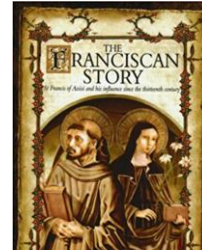
Initial Formation Materials for the Aspirant/Inquirer/Candidate

USING:

F.U.N. Manual

The Franciscan Journey by Fr. Lester Bach, OFM Cap

The Franciscan Story by Maurice Carmody



SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER
(ORDO FRANCISCANUS SAECULARIS)



For Up to Now

Foundational Topics
for Initial Formation

Prepared by the National Formation Commission
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- 2011 -

ORIENTATION

Month 1 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 1: “Orientation in the SFO”
- **Pathway to Profession Diagram**

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 2: For the Formator*
- *FUN Manual Chapter 3: What is Formation?*
- *FUN Manual CD ... \SFO FUN Manual Extra Files \What is Formation (Lesson Plan)*
- *FUN Manual CD ... \SFO FUN Manual Extra Files \Pathway to Profession - visual chart*

Month 2 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 2: ‘Three Orders – Structures – Discernment’

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 6: The Franciscan Family*

Month 3 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 3: ‘Francis, Clare, Catholic Doctrine’

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 4: Basic Catholic Doctrine*
- *FUN Manual CD ...: \SFO FUN Manual Extra Files \Basic Catholic Doctrine*
- *FUN Manual Chapter 20: St. Clare of Assisi*
- *FUN Manual CD ...: \SFO FUN Manual Extra Files \Clare*

CEREMONY OF INTRODUCTION & WELCOMING

INQUIRY

Month 1 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 4: 'Inquiry in the SFO'
- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 5: 'Lay Secular Spirituality'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 7: Vocation – God's Call*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Vocation*
- *FUN Manual Chapter 5: Elements of Ecclesiology*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Ecclesiology of the Laity*

BEGIN ADMISSION INVENTORY PROCESS (baptism certificate, marriage certificate, etc.)

Month 2 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 6: 'Writings & Stories of Francis & Clare'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 20: St. Clare of Assisi*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Clare*

Month 3 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 7: 'History of SFO + Development of the Rule'
- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 8: 'Scripture in SFO Life'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 12: The Rule of the SFO*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Rule of SFO*
- *FUN Manual Chapter 21: A Brief History of the Secular Franciscan Order and Its Rule*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Rules of the SFO*

Month 4 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 9: 'Vatican II – SFO Rule & Constitutions'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 12: The Rule of the SFO*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Rule of SFO*

Month 5 – MM/DD/YY:

- ✓ Franciscan Movement I
 - Handout Discussion Questions from Franciscan Movement Chapter (pg. 5 of 10)

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- ✓ *FUN Manual Chapter 11: A Franciscan Movement*
- ✓ *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Lifeline of St Francis*

Month 6 – MM/DD/YY:

- ✓ Franciscan Movement II
 - Handout Discussion Questions from Franciscan Movement Chapter (pg. 7 of 10)

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- ✓ *FUN Manual Chapter 11: A Franciscan Movement*
- ✓ *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Lifeline of St Francis*

INTERVIEW & WRITTEN APPLICATION TO CANDIDACY

RITE OF ADMISSION

CANDIDACY

Month 1 – MM/DD/YY:

- ✓ *The Franciscan Journey Chapter 10: 'Candidacy in the SFO'*

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Month 2 – MM/DD/YY:

- ✓ *The Franciscan Journey Chapter 11: 'The SFO Rule'*

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- ✓ *FUN Manual Chapter 12: The Rule of the SFO*
- ✓ *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Rule of SFO*

Month 3 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 12: 'A Focus on Jesus'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 15: Franciscan Theology, Tradition, Spirituality*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Francis & Divinity*

Month 4 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 13: 'Encounters with Christ'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 15: Franciscan Theology, Tradition, Spirituality*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Francis & Divinity*

Month 5 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 14: 'A Rebuilding Task'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 10: The Vocation, Charism & Mission of Secular Franciscans*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Charism & Mission of SFO*

Month 6 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 15: 'Gospel, Conversion & Reconciliation'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 17: Penitence and Conversion*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Conversion*

Month 7 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 16: 'When You Pray'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 14: St. Francis & Divinity*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Francis & Divinity*

Month 8 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 17: 'The Mother of God & Our Mother'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 19: Francis and the Blessed Virgin Mary*
- *FUN Manual CD:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Francis and BVM*

Month 9 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey Chapter 18: 'Being Faithful'*
- *The Franciscan Journey Chapter 19: 'A Simple Way to Live'*

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 15: Franciscan Theology, Tradition, Spirituality*
- *FUN Manual CD:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Francis & Divinity*

Month 10 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey Chapter 20: 'Freedom to Love'*
- *The Franciscan Journey Chapter 21: 'How to Love People'*

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 8: Our Identity as Secular Franciscans*
- *FUN Manual CD:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Identity as an SF*
- *FUN Manual Chapter 18: Francis and Fraternity*
- *FUN Manual CD:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\ Fraternity*

Month 11 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey Chapter 22: 'Foundations for the Kingdom'*
- *The Franciscan Journey Chapter 23: 'Justice in Franciscan Life'*

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 13: JPIC*
- *FUN Manual CD:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\JPIC & CST*

Month 12 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey Chapter 24: 'The Gift of Work'*
- *The Franciscan Journey Chapter 25: 'In Their Family'*

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 10: The Vocation, Charism & Mission of Secular Franciscans*
- *FUN Manual CD:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Charism & Mission of SFO*

Month 13 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 26: 'Universal Kingship'
- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 27: 'Bearers of Peace'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 13: JPIC*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\JPIC & CST*
- *FUN Manual Chapter 18: Francis and Fraternity*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\ Fraternity*

Month 14 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 28: 'Fraternities: Gathering as One'
- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 29: 'Servant Leadership'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 18: Francis and Fraternity*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\ Fraternity*
- *FUN Manual Chapter 9: The Nature of the Secular Franciscan Order*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Nature of SFO*

Month 15 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 30: 'Fraternity Life'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 18: Francis and Fraternity*
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Month 16 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 31: 'Membership in the SFO'

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Month 17 – MM/DD/YY:

- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 32: 'Enriching the Franciscan Spirit'
- *The Franciscan Journey* Chapter 33: 'Franciscan Family Connections' and 'Postscript'

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 9: The Nature of the Secular Franciscan Order*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Nature of SFO*

Month 18 – MM/DD/YY:

- Profession
 - Discussion Questions from Profession Chapter (pgs. 16, 17, & 18 of 18)

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- *FUN Manual Chapter 16: Profession*
- *FUN Manual CD ...:\SFO FUN Manual Extra Files\Profession*

INTERVIEW & WRITTEN REQUEST FOR PROFESSION

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