



Br. Donald Johanson, FSC to Lead District of San Francisco

Brother Donald Johanson, FSC, has been appointed Visitor of the District of San Francisco, effective July 1, 2011, for a four-year term. As Brother Visitor, Br. Donald will direct the community life of the Brothers while leading the schools and educational efforts from Tucson, Arizona to Yakima, Washington. The appointment, made by Brother Alvaro Rodriguez Echeverria, FSC, Superior General of the De La Salle Christian Brothers International Institute in Rome, followed a district-wide nominating process and vote by the Brothers.

Br. Donald joined the Christian Brothers in 1975 following a five-year stint as a pilot in U.S. Air Force. A graduate of Sacred Heart High School in San Francisco, San Francisco State University and the University of San Francisco, Br. Donald found his vocation in teaching and decided to

become a Brother, in large part thanks to his admiration for his high school teachers.

Throughout the years, Br. Donald has taught at Sacred Heart and De La Salle High School in Concord. He then became the District's vocation director, which was followed by an eight-year appointment in Rome where he developed the Brothers' international web site, worked as curator of the Christian Brothers Museum, was the Director of Technology, and co-administrator of the Casa Generalizia.

Not one to rest on his laurels, Br. Donald wears a number of hats at CB including Director of the Brothers' community, webmaster, assistant principal, and accounting teacher. His love for the students shows in his masterful photography with portraits displayed throughout the campus and on the web site.

As for his thoughts on this new appointment, Br. Donald is humbled and a bit apprehensive.

"I hope I can fulfill the expectations of the Brothers," says Br. Donald. "It will be a challenge. But, we work as a team to do what we collectively ask one another to do. It is in that spirit that I accept this new opportunity to be of service."

"Br. Donald is incredibly dedicated, a stalwart leader, and an unfailingly kind person," says Lorcan Barnes, president. "The District of San Francisco is blessed to have someone like him to take on this vital leadership role. I am absolutely certain that he will be successful and we look forward to working with him throughout the course of his appointment."

You are Cordially Invited

On Sunday, May 15, 2011, the school community invites alumni, families and friends to attend a special "Tribute to the Brothers"

event in celebration of their 135 phenomenal years of service in Sacramento.

The event begins with Mass at 10 a.m.

in the field house, which will be followed by a special program and lunch. Committee members helping plan the event include: John Caselli '70, Denise Franzoia, Mary Hesser, Janis Hoffart, Jerry Kirrene '53, Gery Short, Rita Spillane & Jack Witry.

If you are interested in attending this celebration of the many Brothers who have been treasured members of our school community, dedicated and innovative teachers, and true pioneers in bringing Catholic, Lasallian education to

Sacramento, please contact Jan Brown at (916) 733-3650 or via e-mail at jbrown@cbhs-sacramento.org.

