

**“CALLED TO BE MERCIFUL”
 ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION
 86TH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION
 Fresno, California
 September 1 - September 5, 2016**

Agenda

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2016

5:00 p.m.	Bus Departs for Dinner	Hotel Main Entrance
6:00 p.m.	No Host Cocktails	Holy Spirit Church
7:00 p.m.	“A Night at the Races” Welcome Dinner Presented by: The Fresno District	Holy Spirit Church

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2016

Morning	No-host Breakfast	Hotel Restaurant
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Convention Registration Chairpersons: Lauren Kilcullen, Grand Secretary; and Deborah Rodondi, Grand Treasurer	Conference Center Foyer
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Blood Drive (Walk-ins welcome) Presented by: The Live to Give Committee	Salon D-2
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Fresno District Novelty Booth	Conference Center Foyer
9:00 a.m.	Forestiere Underground Gardens Tour Tours Chairperson: Robyn Piro, Fresno District	Bus Departs from Hotel Main Entrance
9:00 a.m.	Mass Convention Masses Coordinated by: Franklyn Lopes, Jr., Grand Sentinel; and James Jones, Past Grand President and Life Member Emeritus	Sequoia
Following Mass	Divine Mercy Rosary Led by: Louis Mages, Central Council Spouses’ Association	Sequoia
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Convention Registration	Conference Center Foyer
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Bocce Tournament Chairperson: Allen Watts, Fresno District President	Salon C
10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Central Council Committees’ Exhibit	Salon D-1
Afternoon	No-host Lunch	Hotel Restaurant
12:30 p.m.	Table Mountain Casino Tour	Bus Departs from Hotel Main Entrance
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Pedro Lessons (Walk-ins welcome) Chairperson: Deborah Rodondi, Grand Treasurer	Tioga
1:30 p.m.	Wine Tasting and More Tour	Bus Departs from Hotel Main Entrance

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Bingo (Walk-ins welcome) Presented by: The Ways and Means Committee	Salon C
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Pedro Tournament Chairperson: Deborah Rodondi, Grand Treasurer	Tioga
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Convention Registration	Conference Center Foyer
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Mingle with the Central Council	Committee Exhibit Salon D-1
Evening	No-host Dinner	Hotel Restaurant
6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.	Orientation for New Delegates Led by: Andrew Pappani, Grand 1 st Vice President; and Vincent Piro, Grand 2 nd Vice President	Sequoia
7:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Italian Sing-a-long Accordionist: Leonard Rossi, O.L.J., Past Grand President and Life Member of the Central Council	Salons A, B, C
8:00 p.m.	Official Opening	Salons A, B, C
	Call to Order Roselyne Jarrett, Convention Directors' Chairperson and Life Member of the Central Council	
	Mistress of Ceremonies Denise Antonowicz, Grand Trustee	
	Master of Ceremonies Allen Watts, Fresno District President	
	Opening Prayer Reverend Monsignor Daniel Cardelli, I.C.F. Spiritual Director	
	Presentation of Colors Boy Scouts of America, Troop 223, St. Anthony-Fresno	
	National Anthem Nina Malone, Life Member of the Central Council	
	Presentation of The Central Council Grand President, Leonard Zasoski, Jr.	
	Welcome from The Fresno District	
	Greeting from the Grand President	
	Roll Call of Districts	
	Closing Prayer	
	Federation Anthem "Noi Vogliam Dio" Nina Malone, Life Member of the Central Council	
9:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.	Meet the Central Council Candidates	Hotel Atrium

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2016

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	No-host Breakfast	Hotel Restaurant and Atrium
8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Final Registration	Conference Center Foyer
8:45 a.m.	Memorial Mass	Sequoia
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Fresno District Novelty Booth	Conference Center Foyer
9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Central Council Committees' Exhibit	Salon D-1
10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	Workshop Option 1 Spiritual - "Called to Be Merciful" Presented by: Reverend Monsignor Craig Harrison, Saint Teresa of Calcutta Award Recipient	Salon A
	Workshop Option 2 Strategic Plan - "Making Progress" Presented by: The Task Force Committee	Salon B
	Workshop Option 3 History of the I.C.F. - "Our Timeline, Our Story" Presented by: Past Grand Presidents Bob Acquistapace, David Botta, and Carmen Kilcullen Assisted by: The Heritage Committee	Salon C
	Workshop Option 4 Open Forum - "Your Questions Answered" Facilitated by: Grand President Leonard Zasoski Jr., and Grand Treasurer Deborah Rodondi	Salons D-2/3
10:55 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.	Workshop Option 1 (Repeated) Spiritual - "Called to Be Merciful" Presented by: Reverend Monsignor Craig Harrison, Saint Teresa of Calcutta Award Recipient	Salon A
	Workshop Option 2 The Deputy Program - "Developing Deputies Within Our Districts" Presented by: The Deputy Program Committee	Salon B
	Workshop Option 3 (Repeated) History of the I.C.F. - "Our Timeline, Our Story" Presented by Past Grand Presidents: Bob Acquistapace, David Botta, and Carmen Kilcullen Assisted by: The Heritage Committee	Salon C
	Workshop Option 4 FUNraising - "Share Your Branch's Fun Ideas" Facilitated by: Grand Trustee Anne Interrante and Ways and Means Chairperson Lisa Crudo	Salons D-2/3
11:50 a.m. - 12:35 p.m.	Workshop Option 1 (Repeated) The Deputy Program - "Developing Deputies Within Our Districts" Presented by The Deputy Program Committee	Salon B
	Workshop Option 2 Convention Planning - "Enhancing Future Conventions" Presented by: Roselyne Jarrett, Convention Director	Salon C
	Workshop Option 3 (Repeated)	Salons D-2/3

FUNraising - "Share Your Branch's Fun Ideas"

Facilitated by: Grand Trustee Anne Interrante and Ways and Means Chairperson Lisa Crudo

12:00 p.m.	Chaplains' Luncheon and Meeting	Tioga
12:35 p.m.	No-host Lunch	Hotel Restaurant and Atrium
2:00 p.m.	Convention General Session	Salons A, B, C

Opening Prayer

Introduction of Central Council, Clergy, Staff and Local Committee

Young Adult Leadership Award Presentation to Paul S. Cook

Family of the Year Award Presentation to The Shimshock Family

Adoption of Rules and Regulations

Credentials Committee Report

Welcome New Branches and First Time Delegates

Approval of Grand Treasurer's Report

Presentation of Proposals/Motions

Nomination of Hospitalization Committee Member

Speeches of Central Council Candidates

Convention Site Report

Attendance Drawing

Adjournment

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Delegates' Reception	Hotel Atrium
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7:30 p.m.	Pope Saint John XXIII Award Banquet	Salons A, B, C
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Welcome

Allen Watts, Fresno District President

Mistress of Ceremonies

Lady Jody Balestrieri, Life Member Emeritus of the Central Council

Invocation

Reverend Monsignor Daniel Cardelli, I.C.F. Spiritual Director

Remarks - Local Dignitaries

Presentation of the Pope Saint John XXIII Award

Leonard Zasoski, Jr., Grand President

Response - Jim O'Connor

Closing Prayer

Most Reverend Armando Xavier Ochoa, D.D.

Bishop of the Diocese of Fresno

"God Bless America"

Nina Malone, Life Member of the Central Council

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. No-host Breakfast Hotel Restaurant and Atrium

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Fresno District Novelty Booth Conference Center Foyer

9:00 a.m. General Session Salons A, B, C

Opening Prayer

Saint Teresa of Calcutta Award Presentation to Reverend Monsignor Craig Harrison

Grand President's Award Presentation to Cecelia McGhee

Election of Central Council Members

Election of Hospitalization Committee Member

National Charity Presentation

Response - Dr. Thomas Coates

Resolutions and Communications

Presentations:

Apostolate/Charity

Membership

Scholarship

Heritage

Announcement of 2016 - 2017 National Charity

Charitable Donations to Gifts of Love, National Charity, Providenza Fund and Scholarships

Good of the Order

Attendance Drawing

Closing Prayer

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Fresno District Novelty Booth Conference Center Foyer

12:15 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. No-host Lunch Hotel Restaurant and Atrium

12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Central Council Meeting and Luncheon Sequoia

3:30 p.m. Concelebrated Mass Salons B, C, D
Principal Celebrant: Most Reverend Armando Xavier Ochoa, D.D.
Bishop of the Diocese of Fresno

7:00 p.m. I.C.F. Prom Seating Begins Salons A, B

7:30 p.m. I.C.F. Prom Dinner, Dancing and Festivities Salons A, B

9:30 p.m. Convention Raffle and Drawing Salons A, B

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2016

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. No-host Breakfast Hotel Atrium Restaurant, Coffee Bar and Room Service

9:00 a.m. Closing Session Salons C, D

Prayer Service

Installation of Central Council Officers

Installing Officer - Robert Basuino, Past Grand President and Life Member of the Central Council

Remarks by the Grand President

Attendance Drawing

“Noi Vogliam Dio”

Nina Malone, Life Member of the Central Council

Adjournment

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Fresno District Novelty Booth Conference Center Foyer