

Italian Catholic Federation  
Heritage Report  
Annual Convention 2022

**Heritage Committee works to preserve and promote all the Heritages  
of the members of the Italian Catholic Federation.**

**This year's committee members**

Denise Antonowicz (Chair), Franklyn Lopes, Jr., Bob Basuino, Russ and Louise Vento, and Members at Large & Float Decorators ó Grand President Deborah Rodondi, Marie Antonowicz, Past Grand President Bob Basuino, Michelle and Germaine Antonowicz, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grand Vice President Franklyn Lopes, Jr., Grand Treasurer Lisa Crudo.

**1. Community Presence**

- a. Participated in the City of Santa Clara Parade honoring First Responders ó October 2021
- b. Participated with a float in the San Francisco Columbus Day Parade, October 2021

**2. Events**

Members of the committee planned to attend several events to promote our Heritage and the Federation.

- Rose, White and Blue ó 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade July 2022 ó San Jose
- San Francisco Heritage Day Parade ó October 9th, 2022, San Francisco
- Los Angeles Children's Hospital Christmas Party, December 2022 (?)

**3. Heritage**

Thanks to Louise and Russ Vento for always bringing Heritage to the forefront. Thanks to Michelle, Germaine, Bob, Franklyn, Lisa and Joanne Maggiora Donivan for all their help with anything Heritage. Thanks to all of you for becoming "Heritage Activists". A special thanks to my mom, Marie Stalteri Antonowicz, for agreeing to dress like a chicken and do the chicken dance on all our floats!

Thank you for the spirit shown by the Branches that continued to share their Heritages. It been a really challenging 3 years but little by little we are starting to meet again and as this happened, we can again share the joy in learning about each other. The committee also wishes to thank the 16 Branches who submitted their Heritage Reports. The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners will be announced at our Convention as will our Heritage Warrior Award for going above and beyond in promoting the importance in keeping our histories alive.

Grazie!