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Massachusetts Woman Heads Secular Franciscan Region

Jacquelyn Walsh, SFO, of Stoughton, MA is the new minister of the Secular Franciscan Order's St. Elizabeth of Hungary Region. Representing fraternities in her region, she attended the order's national gathering and triennial chapter of elections held at St. Anthony Retreat Center in Marathon, Wisconsin from Oct. 24-29.

A professed Secular Franciscan for 15 years, Walsh is a member of St. Francis Fraternity in Milton, MA. Prior to being elected regional minister, she served two terms as a regional councilor and three terms as minister of her local fraternity.

A retired registered nurse, Walsh still does per diem work for Hospice Care. She holds an associate's degree in nursing and is certified in hospice and palliative care.

In her parish, she has been a member of the parish council, and has served as a lector, extraordinary minister, and CCD teacher. She is former co-director of RCIA.

Walsh has two children and two grandchildren.

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