

A Voice for Vocations

June 2014

Serra Club City of Orange
Region 11, District 127, Charter 643



PREZ SEZ
Matt Ivary, President



Officer Roster 2014 – 2015

President	Matt Ivary
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Recording Secretary	TBA
Corresponding Secretary	Carol Cagle
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Trustees:	Jim Baer Maureen Neglia Stan Espenship

Chaplain:

Fr. Felix Just, SJ

Spiritual Advisor:

Sr. Nadine McGuiness, CSJ

District 127 Governor:

Upcoming Events

**JUN 3: Barbara Nelson
Mary's Shelter**

**JUN 7: St. Columban's, GG
Ordination and Reception**

**JUN 17: Fr. Francois
Beyrouti
The Melkite Church**

**June 18 – 26:
Novena to the
Sacred Heart of Jesus**

**June 28:
Act of Consecration to the
Immaculate Heart of Mary**

OUR NEW PRESIDENT

**“Have you asked the question
lately?”**

Welcome to all the new club officers for the next two years and thank you for saying yes. We have the usual club events planned for this next year and I pray it will be another wonderful year for us to grow and share our love of the Lord with those seeking to be his servants. I ask for your prayers, as well.

People often ask me “What is the Serra Club?” I tell them it is a group of committed Catholics who want to help support the formation of vowed religious and priests within the Diocese of Orange. We are part of a much larger, international organization, but our club's focus is very close to home. I ask them if they would like to get involved; if they would like to know about the young men considering vocations within our local diocese. After all, many of these men will be our future pastors. Often this leads to a general discussion of the challenges of our church today. I remind them that we, the laity, are the source of all future vocations and that if we want our church to be better, we need to

Our Mission... to foster, affirm and promote vocations to the priesthood, religious life, diaconate, and all ministries in the Catholic Church, and through this support of all ministries, to deepen our members' personal faith lives.

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take an active role in spiritual encouragement and financial support to help recruit the best of us into religious life. That may simply mean asking a young person of they have thought about becoming a priest or religious. Encouraging them to talk to their local pastor or talking to the pastor yourself about the candidate. Serra members are all invited into a closer relationship with their priests and pastors, one that can form the future face of the Catholic Church in our local diocese here in Orange.

**“So, have you asked the question
lately?”**

**Our New President, Matt Ivary,
providing the music at our Installation
Mass in May.**



Club Newz

On Tuesday, May 6, 2014, Maureen Neglia addressed our City Club for the last time during her two-year tenure.

After first requesting prayers for St. Cecilia's Fr. Richard's speedy recovery, Maureen also acknowledged our very own Mike Rizzo, as he is beginning his journey to the priesthood. He was presented with the "official", tried and true recipe for the famous Serran punch, which is served with pride to all who attend ordinations, at which our Serrans so generously serve.

Maureen reminded us of the "Call to Holiness" that she experienced first hand when she saw Pope John Paul II in Rome. Since 2003, she has been in reflection surrounding this continuing call which is for all of us, not just clergy. Our Christian existence is relational! We work together.

She went on to thank all of the board members, trustees, Fr. Felix and Sr. Nadine. Maureen was thankful for our Serra Club, as we ENFLESHED the call to holiness for her.

Following Maureen's presentation, Karnak took the podium with some predictions.

For Example:

Answer: Aviary, Ivory, Ivary

Question: What is a birdhouse, a bar of soap and a Serra Club President?

Answer: 1776, 1812, 1939

Question: What are the numbers of Maureen's time share rooms?

Answer: Marine, Murine, Maureen

Questions: What is an ocean, lotion, and a commotion?

I am sure that we all join in thanking Maureen for her exemplary service over the last two years, while at the same time wishing all of our best wishes and support to our incoming president, Matt Ivary; also, thanks to all who have graciously offered to serve in whatever capacity over the next two years.

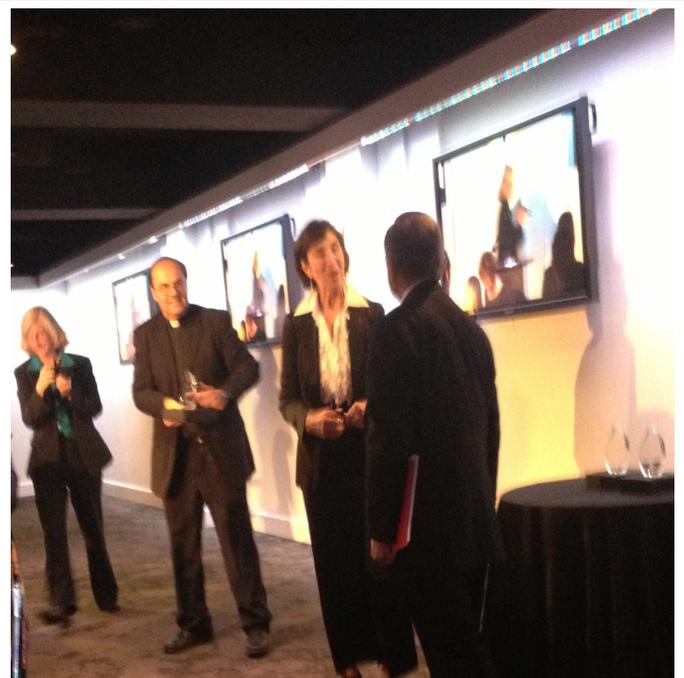
Sr. Nadine explained that she is in the process of "office training" with Maureen.

"Shine up our joy in Him!"

Below: At our last meeting, Maureen Neglia "passes the torch" to new Serra City Club President Matt Ivary



Our thanks go out to Fr. Felix for a fine job at the Hearts on Fire event this year. It was a great success and don't miss out on reading about it on the LIS website loyolainstitute.org.



District Doings

Wally drazba
District Governor
Serra District 127



Vocation Corner

District 127 Doings Orange CA Diocese
June 2014

Thanks to the South Club for the wonderful Mass and Dinner for our installation. I won't list all the officers, but here are the leaders in each club

County Club, Warren Kato President, and Arbie Keown President elect

City Club, Matt Ivary President and Janie Hanson President elect.

South Club, Ed Dainko President and Bob Taylor President elect.

There are a couple of relatively new names in the list, thank you for answering the call to serve.

We just received an email from the President of Serra International, Sean Yeo, asking Serrans to remember two events calling for prayer. First is a novena to the "Sacred Heart of Jesus" (18-26 June) He forwarded a prayer for each day emphasizing the increase of Sanctity in the priesthood. The second is an "Act of Consecration of Serra International to the Immaculate Heart of Mary", on June 28. If anyone would like to pray the specific prayers Sean sent, email me at walhar@earthlink.net I'll forward them to you.

During the coming month I'll be working with many of our officers helping them to do a better job in their respective offices. We'll still be having a wonderful summer, and I hope you do too.

Below:

Photo taken at our Installation Dinner, including Serrans of the Year, Chris Mino, Sue Silvestri and Anne Champagne



JUNE BIRTHDAYS
Jim Briscoe
Matt Ivary

REMINDER:

MSGR SAMMON FUND
For the benefit of our seminarians

Please consider making regular donations to Orange Catholic Foundation with the special designation that it goes to the Msgr. John F. Sammon Endowment Fund for Vocations.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



Vocation Prayer



Sacred Heart

Dear Jesus, Son of God, Shepherd of my soul, conform my heart to your own. Increase my love for you in the Blessed Sacrament. Increase my love for your Holy Mother, that I may see the vocation that is mine and answer it with obedience like hers. Increase my small portion of the love that I share with you for your people, the Church. Strengthen the desire of the men you call to share in your holy priesthood. In your infinite mercy, guide us all to our true vocations. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you. Amen.

Ministers for Serra Masses

EMs

JUNE 3
Nancy Ivary,
1st Reading
Stan Espenship,
Psalm & Prayers

JUNE 17
Nancy Schuba,
1st Reading
Maureen Neglia,
Psalm & Prayers

JULY 1
Jim Briscoe,
1st Reading
Terry Toner,
Psalm & Prayers



Matt Ivary, Host
Theresa Morris, Cup
Joe Neglia, Cup

Manuel Padilla, Host
Chic Ryan, Cup
Raul Serna, Cup

Joan Amort, Host
Jim Baer, Cup
Patty Baer, Cup

“Always forward, never back!”
Junipero Serra



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