

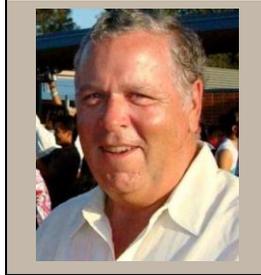
# A Voice for Vocations

June 2015

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



**PREZ SEZ**  
Matt Ivary, President



## Officer Roster 2015 – 2016

President	Matt Ivary
President Elect	TBD
Treasurer	Ed Haske
Programs	Patty Baer
Vocations	Wally Drazba
Hospitality	Joan Amort Paul Amort
Membership	Beverly Truzzolino
Communications	Nancy Ivary
Rec. Secretary	Anne Champagne
Corresponding Secretary	Carol DeFeo
Sergeant-at-Arms	Joe Costanza
Trustees:	Jim Baer Maureen Neglia Stan Espenship

### Chaplain:

Fr. Felix Just, SJ

### Spiritual Advisor:

Sr. Nadine McGuiness, CSJ

District 127 Governor:  
TBD

## Upcoming Events

June 1: **ANNUAL DUES**  
Club dues to: Treasurer

June 2: **MEETING**  
Speakers: Serra Members  
Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

June 16: **MEETING**  
Speaker: Neville Maggs  
Seminaries he visited  
during his European Travels

July 7: **MEETING**

July 21: **MEETING**  
July 31: **SAVE THE DATE**  
St. Ignatius of Loyola's  
Feast Day-10:30 am

Save the Date! Nov 6-8/2015:  
Region 11 Conference  
Ventura Beach Marriott

## The Times, They are a-Changing Bob Dylan

Summer is quickly approaching. Baseball season is in full swing and the Angels are doing - well, ok. I've even been to two games so far. We settle into our summer routines and don't really notice the changes around us, year after year, until something remarkable happens.

Way back when I graduated from CAL, our brand new Pope visited Ireland and 1.25 million people, one-third the population of the Republic of Ireland at the time, attended the historic opening Mass in Dublin's Phoenix Park, September 29, 1979 for the first Papal visit of Ireland. I remember watching that Mass and other related events on TV with my daughters and parents back in my childhood home in Berkeley that weekend.

I had graduated that June and moved south to Canoga Park to start my engineering career with Rocketdyne. My daughters lived with my ex-wife, up north, so when I visited every other weekend, we would all stay at my folk's house in Berkeley, my childhood home, during my visit. That last weekend of September I was visiting and we all watched the Papal Mass on TV.

**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.

"Prez Sez" (continued)

Well, maybe we didn't watch the whole thing but I remember having never seen such a crowd, nor had any of the reporters covering the event. The closest crowd my folks and I could compare it to was Fr. Patrick Peyton's Rosary Crusade at the Polo Grounds in San Francisco when I was a kid in 1961. That crowd was estimated at 500 thousand folks to simply get together as a large faith community, to say a family rosary together. The Rosary Crusade crowd was less than half the crowd for the Papal Mass in Dublin. I had never seen such a sea of people as a kid or on TV.

I remember reminiscing with my folks that weekend, about the Rosary Crusade and what a beautiful day it was. My oldest brother Eric, got to come home from St. Joseph's minor seminary in Mountain View (near St. Patrick's) to travel with us to the Polo Grounds. We had a great family day picnic with lots of our friends and parishioners. My daughters were very young then (8 and 6) and they couldn't really understand what we were talking about (which is my fault) other than to know that we thought this new Polish Pope was a big deal and wonderful for the church and that we had a great picnic at the polo-grounds and said a Rosary together as a family; an every-after-dinner practice I had growing-up in my folks home in Berkeley.

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At our regular parish Sunday Mass that weekend our Irish Pastor gave great praise to the new Pope and talked of how much he wished he could have been back home in Ireland to “be there with himself”.

How the times have changed. Fast forward to today and Ireland’s recent referendum, passing a 34<sup>th</sup> amendment to its constitution allowing same-sex marriages. The vote was strong; 1.2 million yes-votes to only 734 thousand no-votes. About 60% of the 3.2 million registered voters of the country voted. Today it seems, slightly more than one-third the population of this former Catholic country, rejects the Catholic Church’s position where in 1979 one-third the population was at Mass with the new pontiff, John-Paul II and hopeful for the future.

I encourage you all to pray for those currently in service to our contemporary church. Pray for our Holy Father, Pope Francis and all those in God’s service today. Pray for our friends and families that we can continue to encourage our youth to consider vocations to the priesthood and religious life in today’s more secular world.

God Bless,

Matt

Reference voting statistics:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Irish\\_constitutional\\_referendums,\\_2015](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Irish_constitutional_referendums,_2015)

**Who will you be inviting to our next Serra Meeting?**



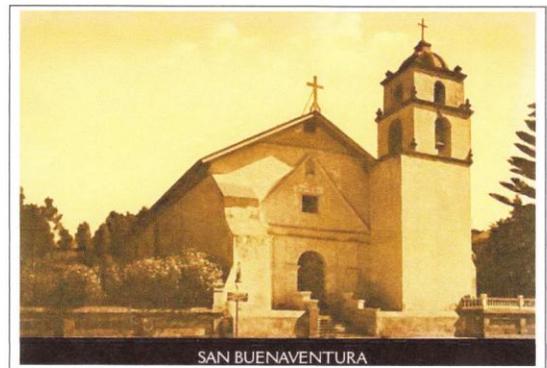
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**Club Newz**

On May 5, 2015, Father Felix addressed our members, beginning with a big Thank You to the Serra Club of the City of Orange for having three tables of attendees at the “Hearts on Fire” Dinner May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Special thanks also to Jim Baer for his contributions to a wonderful event which honored three wonderful award recipients.

GREAT NEWS - the Jesuit Provincial has made it official that Fr. Felix will be continuing his assignment as LIS Director for at least two more years.

Father’s topic for his presentation was the “Holy Spirit”. He shared that Jesus talked about the Holy Spirit before leaving us and returning to His Father in heaven. Father Felix had a very informative handout referencing the scriptures surrounding “pneuma”, good spirit vs. bad spirit, the Spirit/Paraclete, etc. (<http://catholic-resources.org/John/>) His explanations were exceptional and really promoted new thought surrounding the Holy Spirit. He challenged each of our tables to discuss “How is the Holy Spirit active in our lives?” All of our members actively participated in this discussion. It was eye-opening to hear different viewpoints from our fellow Serrans. In closing, Father Felix encouraged us to “ASK for the gift of the Holy Spirit.” The Spirit/Paraclete has several roles: as companion, teacher, legal witness, judge and revealer. The Holy Spirit is another advocate, implying that Jesus himself was the first “Advocate”, thus, the Paraclete does many of the same things that Jesus said and did.



*Meet to Pray, Organize, Invite and Work  
For the Priesthood and the Consecrated Life*

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**REGION 11 CONFERENCE**

NOVEMBER 6-8, 2015

VENTURA BEACH MARRIOTT  
SAN BUENAVENTURA MISSION

*“Always Forward! Strengthening Our Serra Clubs”*



## *South County* INSTALLATION DINNER

On Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, The Serra Club of South Orange County hosted the annual Installation of Officers Mass and Dinner at St. Edward the Confessor Church. This club had a special reason to host the event this year: they were also celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their being officially chartered by Serra International. This club, which began with 10 original members, is growing and thriving. They have much reason to rejoice.

The festivities began with Serrans being placed front and center at the regular 5:30 p.m. Mass with Bishop Kevin Vann as celebrant. After the recitation of the Creed, Regional Director Nancy Ivary went to the ambo and presented an installation ceremony which included not only the officers' solemn vows to faithfully fulfill the duties of their offices but also a call "to lead your clubs as you carry out your ministry for the good of the church and the glory of God." This rite not only recognized the new and returning officers and renewed their commitment to Serra, it offered an opportunity for Serrans to witness to the parish community, which was also participating in the Mass, to the important and honored mission of Serra in supporting and promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, lay ministries and to enhancing and deepening each member's own spiritual life. Both in the homily at Mass and in his after-dinner speech, Bishop Vann emphasized the importance to the church of the work of Serra and expressed his own appreciation for our efforts and that of all priests and religious in the diocese—and around the world.

A delicious dinner was served in the beautifully decorated church hall. Sr. Eymard Flood offered the Invocation. There was plenty of good food, wine and soft drinks, and lots of congenial conversation. As dessert was served, Nancy Ivary invited each of the 3 club presidents (or their surrogates) to come forward and announce their club's chosen "Serran of the Year." South Club selected Bill Tally, a new but dynamic member, for this honor. County Club once again picked their long-time treasurer and newsletter editor, Dick Peters for this recognition. City Club selected our own faithful and hard-working VP of Membership, Beverly Truzzolino. What an excellent choice! We are all so grateful for her dedication to Serra and her diligence, going above and beyond, in fulfilling the requirements of her office. Beverly, you have our sincere thanks and appreciation. Congratulations!

The sad circumstance of this celebration was that many of City and County Clubs' officers and members, and our beloved chaplain, Fr. Felix Just, were on pilgrimage to the Holy Land at the time of this event and so couldn't be present. Happily, dear Sister Nadine, our spiritual advisor, joined those members who were able to attend. We were well represented, and a good time was had by all.

God bless all of our officers and members. May the coming year in Serra be holy and productive.



Regional Director Nancy Ivary installs officers from the 3 District 127 clubs during Mass at St. Edward the Confessor Church.



2015 Serrans of the Year w/B.Vann & Fr. Moneypenny: South—Bill Taley (by Chris Mino for Pres. Bob Taylor); County—Dick Peters (by Virginia Mort—not shown—for Pres. Warren Kato); City—Beverly Truzzolino (by Pres. Matt Ivary).



**Jim Briscoe – June 10    Matt Ivary – June 25**

Vocation Prayer

2015

Pray Always

Heavenly Father, please grant to Your faithful servants, the grace and strength to carry out Your mission for the church each day. Keep our priests, brothers, sisters and lay ministers close to You and continue to inspire them to serve others in Your holy name. Please help to inspire men who are called to a priestly vocation to answer Your call and participate in the fullness that You have planned for them. Amen

Ministers for Serra Masses

Lectors

EMs

- JUN 2 Nancy Ivary, 1st Reading  
Stan Espenship,  
Psalm & Prayers
- JUN 16 Terry Toner, 1st Reading  
Maureen Neglia,  
Psalm & Prayers
- JUL 7 Loretta Callopy, 1st Reading  
Jim Briscoe,  
Psalm & Prayers



- Betty Padilla, Host  
Theresa Morris, Cup  
Joe Neglia, Cup
- Chic Ryan, Host  
Joan Amort, Cup  
John Perample, Cup
- Jim Baer, Host  
Patty Baer, Cup  
Elena Biale, Cup

“Always forward, never back!”  
Junipero Serra



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