

A Voice for Vocations

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



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Upcoming Events

JULY 5: MEETING

Speaker: Teri O'Toole
Topic: Spiritual encounters through volunteering

JULY 19: MEETING

Speaker: Georgia Mottl
Topic: Insights on Italy Pilgrimage

JULY 31: Feast Day of St. Ignatius of Loyola
Mass at Motherhouse at 9 AM, followed by Brunch

AUGUST 2: MEETING

Speaker: Frank Luna
Topic: Parish movement called "Search for Christ"

Celebrating Ordinations

June 11th was most certainly a great day of celebration for our Serra Club. Four of our Diocese of Orange Seminarians were ordained with three bishops in attendance. The four newly ordained priests were Rev. Brandon Dang, Rev. David Otto, Rev. Quyen Truong, and Rev. Nicolaus Thai. There were also many priests in attendance that are very special to us (too many to mention them all here), but amongst them were Fr. Felix Just, SJ, Fr. Bao Thai from St. Cecilia's Parish, and Fr. John Moneyppenny, Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Orange.

Following the Ordination, all of the newly ordained were welcomed into Murphy Hall at St. Columban's, where our own Serrans and wonderful volunteers from the Vietnamese community had prepared a very nicely decorated buffet. There were many devoted people who patiently waited to be received and blessed by the new priests and the joy in the hall was "palpable". My heartfelt thanks go out to all the Serrans who signed up to help as "many hands make light work!" Everything went off without a hitch, no surprise when all was being handled by very experienced servants. Afterwards, because one of the ordained seminarians was my "adopted" seminarian, my husband and I were invited to Holy Spirit Parish in Fountain Valley to attend a gala event that was put on for Rev. Nicolaus Thai. It was amazing! Photo to the right is

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.

just one example of the beautiful set-up that they had undertaken in the hall. It turns out that the photos of the churches, in the picture below, were of three churches which were very meaningful in the life of Rev. Nicolaus Thai. One on the left was the basilica in Vietnam, the center one was St. Peter's, as he had studied in Rome and will be returning there for further studies, and on the far right was the Christ Cathedral. Throughout the evening, you could feel the love for Nicolaus and all of his family. It was a pleasure to see his parents, and it turns out that the servers were mostly relatives of his, cousins, etc. Also, he had an entire spiritual family in attendance, one of whom was our own Fr. Bao Thai, from St; Cecilia's Parish. It was so very thoughtful of Nicolaus to include my husband and myself at this event, and I was "on fire" for Serra and our mission by the end of the evening, after seeing God's work being accomplished right in front of me!

On June 11, 2016, it was thrilling to see Serra's mission in action!
Thanks to all who served!



Club News

On June 7, Sr. Nadine spoke at our breakfast meeting. She shared information on two documents that were released by Pope Francis on June 4. The first of these is that a new Dicastery was approved for the Laity, the Family and Life. This was recommended by the Council of Cardinals. Secondly, in a new Apostolic Letter, issued motu proprio, Pope Francis has established new norms providing for the removal of Bishops from their offices in cases where they have “through negligence, committed or omitted acts that have caused grave harm to others, either with regard to physical persons, or with regard to the community itself.” According to the Director of the Holy See Press Office, The Apostolic Letter insists on “the importance of vigilant care for the protection of minors and vulnerable adults.” On June 3, Pope Francis made an unexpected appearance at the Judges’ Summit on Human Trafficking and Organized Crime. He asked them “to fulfill their vocation and their crucial mission – to establish justice – without which there is neither order nor sustainable and integral development, nor social peace”.

Pete Bowen spoke to our group on June 21. Pete is the President of Servite High School where he has been since 2004. He is an expert on ethics, leadership and culture. He began by saying that today there is no right or wrong. There is no truth. There are no facts. There are only feelings. He went on to explain how we got here. We have moved religion to the private side of life. It is not talked about publicly as in what gets us to heaven. The destination has been removed. Today, kids are taught there is no truth. There is only your perspective. This is a problem because there are no facts. We come from a Church - a community filled with a love relationship. Today, it is only me, me, me. There is no community. This is pervasive in many schools. At Servite High School, teachers and parents want the students to succeed. Therefore all students go through a formation program which strives to build character. Pete ended his presentation by telling us that he teaches leadership and ethics for the California Department of Justice. Sadly, he reports that today 99.5% of applicants for law enforcement are rejected for character reasons.

Rest in Peace.

Professor Kurt Just



Thank you Fr. Felix. The Serra Club is blessed to have you as our chaplain!



25th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination
Fr. Felix Just, SJ
June 8, 2016

St. Ignatius of Loyola
Feast Day

★ Please join us in celebrating the feast day of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Society of Jesus.

Sunday, July 31, 2016 — 9:00 a.m. Mass
(Mass in the Sacred Heart Chapel, followed by brunch)

St. Joseph Center
480 S. Balavia Street
Orange, CA 92668

Cost: No charge; but donations will be gratefully accepted.

Please RSVP for lunch by July 22, at 714-997-9587 ext. 23 or email uribe@loyolainstitute.org

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Joe Neglia - July 13

Bob DeFeo - July 26

PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION
JUNE 11, 2016



Invite your family or friends to try out a meeting of our City of Orange Serra Club.... We would love to meet them!

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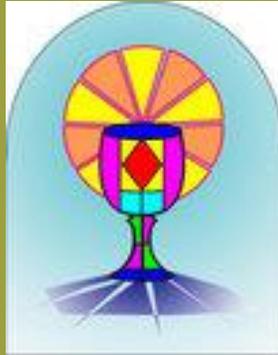
Loving God, you call all who believe in you to grow perfect in love by following in the footsteps of Christ your Son. Call from among us more men and women who will serve you as religious. By their way of life, may they provide a convincing sign of Your Kingdom for the Church and the whole world. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Ministers for Serra Masses

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EMs

- JULY 5 Jim Briscoe, 1st Reading
Loretta Callopy,
Psalms & Prayers
- JULY 19 Maureen Neglia, 1st Reading
Nancy Ivary,
Psalms & Prayers
- AUG 2 Loretta Callopy, 1st Reading
Jim Briscoe,
Psalm & Prayers



- Bob DeFeo, Host
Carol DeFeo, Cup
Anne Champagne, Cup
- Theresa Morris, Host
Matt Ivary, Cup
Joe Neglia, Cup
- Betty Padilla, Host
John Perample, Cup
Thelma Tavera, Cup

“Always forward, never back!”
Saint Junipero Serra

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