

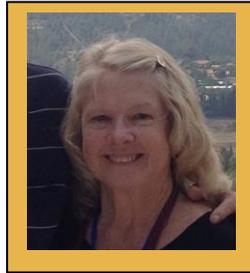
A Voice for Vocations

April 2017

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



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Sr. Louise Ann Micek, CSJ

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Upcoming Events

APRIL 4: MEETING
Speaker: Katie Dawson
Topic: Faith Formation

APRIL 18: MEETING
Speaker: Warren Kato & Rosa Lim
Topic: Cambodia visit

MAY 2: MEETING
Speaker: Tim Champagne
Topic: Personal Energy

**MAY 7: World Day of Prayer
for Vocations**

May 7: SAVE THE DATE
"Hearts on Fire" Dinner

Day of Recollection

On, Saturday, March 4th, our Serra Clubs hosted a Day of Recollection to begin Lent with a focus on the Theme: "Lead us not into temptation". Fr. Felix Just, SJ guided the 80+ attendees through a reflection on the accounts of Christ's time in the desert and the temptation that he encountered there. He even went into detail explaining why our Lent is longer than 40 days in length, and that technically on March 4th, we would not be beginning the 40 days of Lent until the 1st Sunday of Lent.

It was very encouraging that we had attendees coming from all different areas, many were long-time attendees, and we had many who had come to be there having heard about the day through the Loyola Institute of Spirituality. Geographically, there was diversity as well, in that some had come from as far as the San Fernando Valley and from Temecula.

Opening the program, Beverly Truzzolino, current President Elect for the City of Orange Club, addressed the group to tell them about our Serra Clubs in the Diocese of Orange, who sponsored the day; later in the program, at the midway point, Virginia Mort, current President of the County of Orange Club invited all in attendance to participate in the annual visit to St. John's Seminary, when Serrans, members of multiple parishes, and young adults would ride the luxury bus up to Camarillo, to see formation of new priests in action!

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.

After Fr. Felix had presented information surrounding his topic, he encouraged the participants to enter into a period of silent reflection focusing on the ideas that had been covered. There were thought-provoking questions handed out to all, at the beginning of the program. These questions sparked everyone to analyze how what they had heard might be applied in their own lives. After the reflection period, each table participated in a faith-sharing session, which was really reflective of those participating, as they were of all ages and walks of life. What a beautiful example of how we benefit from prayerful, spiritual fellowship with our neighbors.

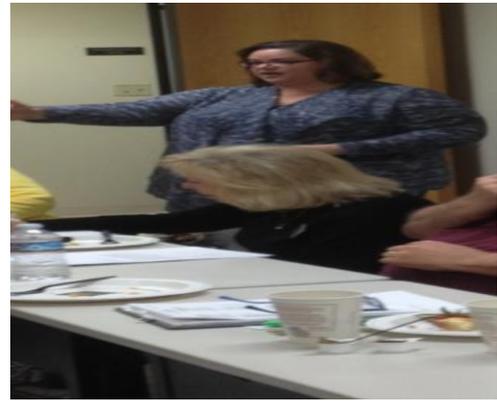
Many thanks to all of our Serrans who helped to make this Lenten Day of Recollection a big success. From the comments made to me after completion of the program, those who had come definitely left with the feeling of time well-spent!

Our participants during the silent reflection portion of the program seen below



Club News

On March 7, Gloria Suess spoke with our group about Mary's Kitchen. Just over 30 years ago, Mary McAnena was walking home from Holy Family Cathedral when she noticed a young woman eating out of a can. A former Serran herself, Mary took the young woman to her home and fed her. Shortly thereafter, 83 year-old Mary determined there must be hungry persons staying in Hart Park, so she made a huge pot of chicken soup in her own kitchen. She garnered assistance from Tita Smith for transport to the park where the soup was served that day. That was the beginning of Mary's Kitchen. For the next eight years, Mary, along with others, continued to feed a full meal to those hungry persons in Hart Park. Then neighborhood pressure forced a move to a new location. The new location at 517 West Struck in Orange continues today. What was originally begun in a single-side trailer in 1994, has more than doubled in size today. Mary continued to be a strong presence in the kitchen until her death in 2003. Then it became time for Gloria to take over the reins. She continues as the Executive Director today. Guests are served breakfast, a hot full course lunch and given a sack lunch for later in the day. They are also able to receive their mail there; in addition, shower and laundry facilities are also available. There is a clothing distribution on Thursdays; blankets as well as sleeping bags are often available. Mary's Purse was also initiated to cover the costs of items such as eyeglasses, gasoline, bus passes and medicine. Today many different groups can be seen volunteering at Mary's.



Shawna Smith, the Executive Director of Hope Builders spoke with us on March 21. Initially begun in the 1990's as Taller San Jose by Sr. Eileen Mc Nerney, CSJ, Hope Builders is an educational and job training center in downtown Santa Ana for high risk youth, ages 18-28. The goal is to learn the work ethic by actually working, while attending classes. The areas of focus are the building trade, business technology and healthcare. The process includes a 16 week training program; it is essential that students are motivated to do the work. All services are free and students receive a stipend of \$100/week. They must be on time and be drug free. While working with local employers, Hope Builders provides assistance with interviewing and job placement skills. Educational planning, where students go on to pursue an AA or BA degree is also part of their mission. Hope Builders completes a follow-up with students for a period of two years. Shawna introduced Cynthia Torres (picture below) who successfully completed the program. Cynthia shared her personal story of what led her to the doorsteps of Hope Builders. Today, she is part of their admissions team. She emphasized a primary benefit of the program is the support from the staff.



Presenter Fr. Felix at Day of Recollection - March 4



St. John's Seminary – March 19
Watch for more info in May's newsletter



Group tour led by seminarian Brandon Lopez. He is on far right.



April 23 - Rosemarie Tsutsumi



Group who attended Motherhouse tour



HEARTS on Fire

May 7, 2017

HEARTS ON FIRE AWARD

Fr. Allan Figueroa Deck, S.J., is Distinguished Scholar of Pastoral Theology and Latino Studies at Loyola Marymount University. He holds doctorates in Theology and in Latin American Studies, and is the author or editor of nine books and more than sixty articles on Pastoral Theology, Latino Theology, Faith and Culture, Intercultural Competence, and Spirituality. As a young priest, he served at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church (DMJ) in Santa Ana and as first Director of Hispanic Ministry for the Diocese of Orange. From 1997 to 2008 he founded and served as Executive Director of the Loyola Institute for Spirituality. He is co-founder and first President of the Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States, and served as first Executive Director of the Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. In 2014, he was appointed by Abp. Gomez to the Theological Commission of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. His latest book, Francis, Bishop of Rome: The Gospel for the Third Millennium (Paulist Press, 2016), is a study of the Latin American and Jesuit roots of Pope Francis.

REV. ALLAN F. DECK, S.J.



DR. TIM MULDOON

Tim Muldoon is a pastoral theologian with a passion for intellectual and faith formation in young people and families. He is the author of the best-selling *The Ignatian Workout* (Loyola, 2004), an adaptation of the *Spiritual Exercises*, as well as, *The Ignatian Workout for Lent* (Loyola, 2013), both of which have been used widely in university courses, retreat programs, and book groups. His book, *Seeds of Hope: Young Adults and the Catholic Church in the United States* (Paulist, 2008), has been used in graduate courses in Theology and Ministry. In April, Loyola Press will release his newest book, *Living Against the Grain*, an adaptation of a popular Capstone course at Boston College on desire and Ignatian discernment. He and his wife Sus have written three books together: *Six Sacred Rules for Families* (Ave Maria, 2013); *The Discerning Future: An Ignatian Guide to Raising Your Teen* (Ave Maria, 2017); and *Rediscovering Family Time* (The Word Among Us, 2017). Tim is a contributor to *diolMagis.com*, *Alcides*, *Pathways*, *America Magazine*, the *Washington Post*, and the *Washington Times*. He is currently Visiting Associate Professor at Boston College.

WRITER'S AWARD IN SPIRITUALITY



ROSITA DIAZ AWARD

Fr. Anastasio "Tacho" Rivera, S.J., was born and raised in Arizona. He entered the Society of Jesus in 1963, and was ordained a priest on May 11, 1974. Fr. Tacho served in various ministries including parish work, youth and young adult ministry, projects of the California Catholic Conference of Bishops, director of the Hispanic Ministry Office of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, and pastor of Blessed Sacrament Church in Hollywood, CA. From 1999 to 2009, Fr. Tacho served as Assistant Director at the Loyola Institute for Spirituality directing retreats and training lay teams in Ignatian Spirituality; his work fostered valuable growth of Ignatian Spirituality among Spanish-speaking laity. In 2014, he joined the team of Jesuit priests at St. Francis Xavier Church in Phoenix, Arizona. In 2016, Fr. Tacho returned to the Diocese of Orange to assist Fr. Gordon Morford, S.J., in the Diocesan House of Prayer for Priests.

REV. ANASTASIO "TACHO" RIVERA, S.J.



SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2017

5:00 p.m. Reception & Silent Auction
Followed by Dinner & Award Ceremony
DOUBLETREE BY HILTON HOTEL
100 THE CITY DRIVE, ORANGE, CA

TICKETS

\$200 PER PERSON OR \$2,000 FOR A TABLE OF 10
To purchase seats, request an invitation,
or for more information, please contact LIS
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VOCATION

2017

PRAY ALWAYS

Father, in every generation you provide ministers of Christ and the Church. We come before you now, asking that you call forth more priests to serve our Church. Give us priests who will lead and guide your holy people gathered by Word and Sacrament. Bless us with priestly vocations so that we can continue to be a truly Eucharistic Church, strengthened in our discipleship of Jesus Christ, your only Son. We make our prayer in the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Ministers for Serra Masses

Lectors

- APR 4 ST. CECILIA 7:15 AM
 Loretta Callopy
- APR 18 HOLY FAMILY 7 AM
 Nancy Ivary
- MAY 2 HOLY FAMILY 7 AM
 Maureen Neglia



EMs

- Raul Serna Host
- Patty Baer Cup
- Anne Champagne Cup

- Betty Padilla Host
- Matt Ivary Cup
- Thelma Tavera Cup

- Bob De Feo Host
- Carol De Feo Cup
- Patty Baer Cup

**“Always forward, never back!”
Saint Junipero Serra**



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