

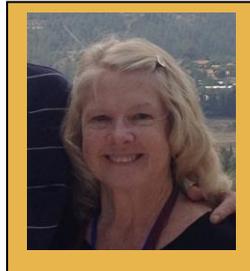
A Voice for Vocations

July 2017

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



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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.

Ordination Days June 10 and 24, 2017

On June 10, 2017, at St. Columban's Church in Garden Grove, the Diocese of Orange held its Ordination Day. In two weeks, there will be another ordination on June 24, 2017 for two deacons for our Diocese as well. Please pray for these new priests and deacons, that God will direct their paths in service to our parishes and diocese. We give thanks to God for the rich harvest of six new priests and two new deacons. What an amazing blessing for the faithful here in Orange County!

Below are our six new priests that were ordained on June 10, 2017.



Rev. Timothy Donovan Rev. Michael Khong



Rev. Phong Van Nguyen Rev. Tony Park

"Bless their labors with abundant fruit, and may the souls to whom they minister be their joy and consolation here and their everlasting crown hereafter."
(excerpt from "Praying for Priests")

Below are our two seminarians who were ordained as deacons on Saturday June 24th at Holy Family Cathedral in Orange.



Aristotle Ouan Gaston Mendiola Arrovo



Rev. Tuan Pham Rev. Hoa Tran

Upcoming Events

JULY 4: NO MEETING
HAPPY 4th

JULY 18: MEETING
Speaker: Fr. Felix
Topic: His recent experience in the Holy Land

JULY 21: Priests vs Seminarians B-ball Game

AUG 1: MEETING

AUG 15: MEETING

AUG 28: Ordinati Dinner

SEPT 11: Golf Tournament

Club News

On June 6, 2017, we were hosted by Sr. Nadine McGuinness in her home and she fulfilled the roles of presenter, as well as presider for a prayer/communion service. Her topic was "Stages of Consciousness in Vowed Living." Previously, Sister Nadine had worked with married couples in the San Bernardino Diocese, and for her presentation to us she had "tweaked" her information regarding the stages of development in vowed living, to address the topic from the point of view of a faith perspective rather than from a "self-help" perspective. Helping people to understand their life journey. God is our "be-all, end-all" in our lives. All people go through stages in life and they are generally about 7 years in length. Crisis moments occur in general about every 7 years. What we will learn is that it doesn't mean that the vocations need to come to an end at that point. Everybody goes through these stages in life. Her presentation was designed to help us when these crisis times arrive. Adulthood should not mean that there is an end to our development.

Stage #1 - (1-7 years) Enthusiasm, Naivete, Swings of Disappointment, Beginning of realism

Stage #2 (7-14 years) Energy for collateral responsibilities, taking on a big responsibilities, Exhaustion and some doubt.

Stage #3 (14-21 years) Determination to complete the task of the collateral responsibilities, focus on working together, tough choices/bracing realizations

Stage #4 (21-28 years) Beginning of the recognition of physical limitations, emotional limitations, faith weaknesses, the need for prayer/silence/ability to say "no"

Stage #5 - (28-35 years) Daily reminders of incomplete visions/hopes, Inclusion of children as adults into the relationship, mentoring children

Stage #6 (35-42 years) Consciousness of need/importance of infusion of new ideas and new ways of coping and a Recognition of complexity

Stage #7 (42-49 years) Importance of rhythms of physical/spiritual/psychological/social "stepping out" into unfamiliar territory with children/people of emerging generations. Pleasure in being invited/accepted/appreciated for vowed living

Stage #8 (49+ years) Deep presence to "the taking over of God" in personal/intimate/social open relationships, Fragility of life, and Life as a gift. In the future, you may possibly see Sr. Nadine's presentation on "Youtube". She made the specific request that we offer her feedback, as she welcomes that input, as she prepares to offer this information out on the internet for the benefit of many people in the future.

THANK YOU, SR. NADINE FOR YOUR WONDERFUL PRESENTATION



Fr. Don Gorski spoke with our group on June 20. He provided an example about the power of prayer and how effective it can be. Fr. Don worked in the foreign missions for nineteen years. He spoke with us about his experience in Peru. Most towns of 6000-7000 people had a priest, but no one came to Mass. The villagers did not respond to the gospel. During First Communion classes, everyone went home during the break. As a result, a prayer project for conversion was initiated in Ireland and England. As Fr. Don relates, the results were outstanding. Many people attended and remained for the entire First Communion classes; over 200 men showed up for a retreat. Men were fighting to get in; in addition, people showed up from Ecuador. Of particular note is the fact that many vocations came about as a result of that retreat. To summarize, Fr. Don believes that intensive prayer by many people consistently is of paramount importance.

At age 84, Fr. Don resides at the Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse, along with his sister, Sr. Caritas. In a letter he wrote in 2006, he stated the following: "the priesthood is a gift from God - an instrument that has enabled me to open a thousand doors for a thousand people". Thank you Fr. Don for the blessing you have been to so many.

The following members of our Serra Club are facing some health challenges. Please remember to pray for them. You may wish to consider sending them a note of encouragement.

*Joe Costanza
Michael Feeney
Theresa Morris
Kathy Robinson*

Priesthood Ordination June 10, 2017



Thank you to all those who helped with the reception at the Priesthood Ordination.



*July 6 - John LeDuc
July 13 - Joe Neglia
July 26 - Bob DeFeo*

Deacon Ordination June 24, 2017



Sylvia Uriate (County Club), Deacon Gaston Mendiola Arroyo, Beverly Truzzolino

*Rest in Peace
Barbara Caraccio*

VOCATION

2017

PRAY ALWAYS

Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come, follow Me! Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to Your voice. Support our bishops, priests, and consecrated people in their apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to Your service. Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say “Yes” to the Lord Who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation. Amen.

Ministers for Serra Masses

Lectors

JULY 18 HOLY FAMILY 7 AM
 Nancy Ivary

AUG 1 Location TBA
 Maureen Neglia

AUG 15 Location TBA
 Brigid Noonan



EMs

Carol De Feo Host
 Bob De Feo Cup
 Patty Baer Cup

Joe Neglia Host
 Matt Ivary Cup
 John Perample Cup

Anne Champagne Host
 Chic Ryan Cup
 Raul Serna Cup

“Always forward, never back!”
 Saint Junipero Serra



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