

A Voice for Vocations

Fall 2019



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Upcoming Events

**NOV 5-Mtg: Spkr- Msgr .
John Urell: "Pilgrimage on
the Camino to Santiago de
Compostela"**

**NOV 19-- Spkr- Beverly
Truzzolino: "Membership"**

DEC 3 & DEC 17: NO MTGS

**DEC 5: County Club XMAS
PARTY Let's support them!**

**DEC 15: Our Club's XMAS
PARTY 3:00-6:00 @ Anne &
Mark Champagnes'**

**JAN 15-19: SERRA RALLY
Ventura [+MissionPilgrimage]**

**JUN 25-27: SERRA INT'L
CONVENTION: New Orleans**

PRAY THE ROSARY

Happy fall! On October 7th we celebrated the feast day of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary. Our Lady welcomed Our Lord into her life, sheltering him as he grew. She served her cousin Elizabeth as she bore a child in her old age. She welcomed others and led them to her son, instructing them to "do whatever he tells you." She embraced the early apostle when Jesus on the cross said, "Behold, your son." Mary also wraps her mantle around us, sheltering us and guiding us closer to her son. Like her, we Serrans want to draw closer to her son through prayer and action. This is a perfect time to pick up your rosary and, if you haven't in a while, pray the rosary! Be filled with the graces that Mary has to offer us. The Blessed Mother asks us to do our part to restore peace and unity in the Church. Pray for unity for our priests and seminarians. What better way to do this than to daily say the rosary. Our Lady even gives us, through St. Domenic, fifteen promises. Here are the first three: 1. Whoever, shall faithfully serve me by the recitation of the rosary shall receive signal graces. (These help sanctify us.) 2. I promise my special protection and the greatest graces to all those who recite the rosary. 3. The rosary shall be a powerful armor against hell; it will destroy vice, decrease sin and defeat heresies. More at: <https://www.ourladywarriors.org/prayer/15promise.htm>.

Last Monday we laid my mother to rest with my father. During the homily, the priest stated it was important that we forgive Mom and let her go. Well, I had done that a long

Serra Club City of Orange
Region 11, District 79, Charter 643

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

time ago. I thought, "This priest doesn't really know our family, other than from my eulogy." It just didn't seem applicable. In the meantime, I was talking to a friend who attended the funeral, and she said outright that the priest's words were very powerful for her and her relationships to both her and her husband's deceased mothers. "To forgive and let go." So there you go; God at work again. Sometimes we think a message was directed toward us; however, God has a bigger plan. My friends needed to hear that message, which brought me peace. Has this ever happened to you?

INVITE A FRIEND TO SERRA TO HEAR A MESSAGE THAT THEY MIGHT NEED TO HEAR. LET GOD DO WHAT HE DOES BEST.

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District Doings

Anne Champagne, District



IGNITE PARISH VOCATION MINISTRY WITH S.P.A.R.K.

SPARK (Serra Promotion and Resource Kit) is a free on-line collection of best-practices tools in religious vocations ministry, as curated from parishes, dioceses, and religious orders around North America.

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SPECIAL SERRA ACTIVITY



**SERRANS
SUPPORT
VOCATIONS AT
MINISTRY FAIR**



OCT 12TH CHRIST CATHEDRAL MINISTRY FAIR—SUCCESS!
We had a total of nine Serrans who participated at our display: Phil & Carol Frank, Patty & Jim Baer, Anne Champagne, Beverly Truzzolino, Georgia Mottl (not shown) and Eloyna Rivera. How wonderful to have such a great participation. We were blessed to have a table just inside the entrance where everyone needed to walk by our table. With our Serrans armed with a SPARK card and Serran flyer in hand, we had lots of interest! We were able to get some potential member names and the possibility of starting a Spanish Club and the possibility of re-starting a club in the south again. Throughout the day there were activities including a Mass along with presentations from Fr. Al and Bishop Vann. This was a great opportunity to expand awareness of Serra and our mission for vocations, and we hope this will become an annual event.

City Club Newz



The speaker at our meeting on September 3rd was

**Sr. Anne Becker, CSJ
Vocations Director for
the Sisters of St.
Joseph of Orange.**

She spoke on what is happening with vocations, particularly here on their campus in the City of Orange.

City Club Newz



JOHN LE DUC was the speaker at our meeting on September 17. He spoke on the **GHANA WATER PROJECT**, a program organized at Holy Family Cathedral by Fr. Rudy Aluman to help his native city. John and his team were able to accomplish amazing things, not only bringing clean, dependable water to the community but improving schooling & food supplies.



At our October first meeting

FR. ERIC RAMIREZ

Spoke to us about "Life Since Ordination"



On October 15th, **FR. JOHN SCHIAVONE**, pastor of St. Maria Goretti in Long Beach (and childhood family friend of Anne Champagne's) spoke on the love between the equal members of the Trinity of God as model for the love basic to marriage and family. With such love, priests also must recognize their equality with all members of the church family. This true holiness will overcome clericalism (superiority) and will attract more holy men to the priesthood.

2019 Serra Rally

Experience the missions and the spirituality of Saint Junipero this January when you join us at the Serra Rally in San Buenaventura, California!



SERRA RALLY IN VENTURA, CA
January 15-19, 2020

District Doings

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On Saturday, October 12, 2019, Serrans have a secured table, and will be out in force at Christ Cathedral offering this well-developed tool to catechists and attendees from all over the Diocese of Orange. According to those planning this event, there will be 1,800 in attendance, therefore it provides a very good opportunity for the Serra message, and available resources, to be carried back to parishes, especially any vocation directors who would directly benefit from this "promotion and resource kit" designed to ignite the parish vocation ministries.

We will have on display, the very popular Travelling Crucifix program which is used at the grammar school level introducing students, along with their families, to the practice of praying for vocations. This is only one example of the 27 different Serra programs listed on our flyer, which have proven to be successful in establishing the "culture of vocations" that has often led to increased numbers of those serving as priests, sisters and many serving in religious life nation-wide.

Please see attached photo of priests who were ordained in the state of Ohio from the same parish (St. Mary, Hudson, Ohio) in 7 consecutive years). What a success story!

Next newsletter, I will update everyone on how this day unfolded. Before closing this communication, I would like to thank the following Serrans for their contribution of time, talent and treasure to this endeavor: Jim and Patty Baer, Phil and Carol Frank, John Le Duc, Georgia Mottl, Beverly Truzzolino, & Bob & Carol DeFeo.

WE ASK THAT ALL OF OUR SERRANS WITHIN THE DIOCESE OF ORANGE PRAY FOR THE SUCCESSFUL GROWTH OF OUR MISSION TO PROMOTE, AFFIRM, AND FOSTER VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND CONSECRATED LIFE.

Pray for Our Birthday Celebrities

Happy Birthday . . .

October

Jim Baer (15th)

November

No one!

December

Nancy Ivary (3rd)

Patty Baer (11th)

Chic Ryan (27th)

Save the Date!

SERRA INT'L CONVENTION

In

NEW ORLEANS

June 25-27 2020

St. Louis Cathedral



Imagine...

A culture of vocations so strong that your parish produces one priestly ordination per year!

ALWAYS FORWARD, NEVER BACK!

PRAY ALWAYS**A Meditation from the Mass**

O God, in your ineffable mercy, you chose Blessed Junipero Serra as a means of gathering many peoples of the Americas into your church. Grant that through his intercession our hearts may be united to you in ever greater love so that at all times and in all places we, also, may show forth the image of your only begotten son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God, for ever and ever.

VOLUNTEER BREAKFAST HOSTS**NOV 5 LORETTA CALLOPY****C. 714/305-0267****CLEAN-UP BETTY PADILLA & GEORGIA MOTTL****NOV 19 Thu-Hein Marjorski****C. 949/483-1331****CLEAN-UP LORETTA CALLOPY & ROSEMARIE TSUTSUMI****DEC 3 & 17****NO MEETING**Happy
Thanksgiving!

"Always Forward, never
back!"
Junipero Serra



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