# A Voice For Vocations

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**Fr. Junipero Serra**

## Prez Sez – Ask What You Need

**Beverly Truzzolino**
**President**

The end of a beautiful summer, so I thought! As you know, my husband had a very serious accident a few weeks ago and his life and mine have been challenging since that fatal day at the airport. Initially, I exclaimed, "Oh my gosh I'm glad Dan is still here," I could have been a widow preparing for a funeral this week. Instead, I have sat with him at the hospital, taken him to doctor visits, picked up his medications and general caregiving 24/7. In the midst of this, I have been on the phone, internet, etc. canceling our planned trip to Hawaii with grandchildren, a much anticipated dinner with good friends at our home, and an imagined romantic 49th anniversary dinner, all which did not happen!

Am I upset, discouraged, frustrated, yes, maybe for a moment; however, since we visited Medjagorie, I asked God for more patience, a loving heart and to always put Him first in my life. Well God has answered my prayers. Even though, I'm still a Type A personality, patience has come along with a loving heart even to an

engineer minded husband. God puts us where he wants us to be at all times. As Serrans it is good to reflect: Am I where God wants me to be? Am I being and demonstrating the virtues of a Serran? Am I actively praying for vocations? Am I enriching my own prayer life? Am I sharing the message of Serra Club? My summer did not end as "I" had thought, surprising enough it is a summer I won't forget and grateful God has given me the opportunity to keenly grow in my faith.

Peace and Love,
Beverly Truzzolino, President

## District Doings – Saint Junipero Serra; Celebrating the 10-Year Anniversary of His Canonization

**Anne Champagne, Governor, District #79**

On September 23, 2015 Junipero Serra was canonized at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception by Pope Francis. As we celebrate the anniversary, below are listed some excerpts from "Pope Francis' five reasons that he chose to select Junipero Serra to be canonized". Junipero Serra's proposal for canonization was initially sent to Rome in 1934, followed by fourteen years of gathering documents regarding his life. There were 2,420 documents, totaling 7,500 pages to be carefully examined in the process of his consideration for sainthood. This rendered him a bit of an "open book" to be studied.

The resources revealed that the people who knew Serra considered him to be a saint – both Spanish and Indians alike – including some of those who had been his adversaries. Even officials who had opposed his policies, especially in holding the military accountable in its dealing with indigenous people, could not deny that Serra did what he did out of love for God and for his fellow human beings, and not for personal gain.

Pope Francis outlined why he had chosen to finalize the sainthood process for Serra. The main reason: He was a tireless missionary. Pope Francis was not a fan of colonialism, as he had made clear in other speeches, but he did make it clear that he still believed in "mission". For Francis a Church that doesn't go out into the world to announce the Gospel, especially to the poor and marginalized has become closed and irrelevant. And mission is something the pope wanted to especially emphasize in his own home hemisphere. Friar Junipero's witness calls upon us to get involved personally in the mission to the whole continent. Pope Francis cautioned that we need not whitewash figures like Serra, but rather "thoughtfully examine their strengths, above all, and their weaknesses and their shortcomings. "He identified Serra's faith with the heart, a kind of heart that Pope Francis believes is needed today, full of generosity and courage.

*Therefore in the spirit of Saint Junipero's motto of "always forward, never back" may we, in imitation of this man of God, reach out with generosity and courage and "spread the Good News of the Gospel, in the name of Jesus Christ!"*

## Serran Activities

### Serra International Convention

The Serra International Convention in Kansas City was attended by Mark Kreyche and Beverly

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Truzzolino. One anecdote that Beverly took away from a talk was that we are riding a two seated bicycle with God in the front (in control) and we are on the back.

Below our a few pictures from their adventures at the Convention. There is a rumor that Beverly may be putting together a short presentation on this year's convention at a future meeting.

**Convention Mass**

**One of Many Panel Sessions**

**Beverly & Mark Take a Break Between Presentations**

**Our Club Hob Nobs at the Banquet**

## June 7th Ordinati Luncheon

On Tuesday July 15, 2025 we held our annual Ordinati Luncheon & Mass this year we celebrated the ordination of Fr. Oliver Coughlin. The Mass was held at 10:00AM in Christ Cathedral's St. Callistus Chapel and Crypts Oliver Coughlin was the priest and there were 5

After Mass everyone proceeded to the luncheon on the 4th floor of the Cultural Center, Up Elevator! It was well attended by five (5) seminarians and eighty-two (82) Serrans and family and quests. Fr Coughlin gave a talk on his journey to the priesthood. The ceremony ended

with our presentation to Father Coughlin of a framed portrait of is ordination.

The club also set its own historic landmark by making some money on the event.

**Morning Mass in St. Callistus Chapel With Father Coughlin**

**Opening Remarks by Fr. Cheeyoon**

**Presentation to Father Coughlin**

## Seven Serrans Program

The entire region follows up annually with each Serra Club to cover Prayers for our Vocation Directors.

One day a month, we offer up a prayer or rosary for the person we chose. Our club members prays for the following vocation directors:

- Rev. John Plass: John LeDuc, Beverly Truzzolino, Mark Kreyche, Ann Yates, Brigid Noonan, Anne Champagne., Carol Franks, and Deacon Bill.
- Rev. Brian Hess: Ann Yates, Georgia Mottl, Angie Brazeal, Patty Baer, Loretta Callopy, Sr. Louise and Roni Master..

## From The Treasurer - Dues are Due

It's that time of year again. Dues are due now. Make the check out to the Serra Club for $105. About half of the dues payment goes to National.

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Please make checks payable to *Serra Club City of Orange* and send to Matt Ivary, 12965 Villa Rose Dr., Santa Ana, 92705, or use Zelle c/o (Matt) cell 714-679-5239, email mivary92@gmail.com

## What Do I Get for My Dues?

**By Mike Downey, Past President US Council of Serra**

That depends on the answer to another question. Why did I join Serra? All of the Serrans I know joined because they have a special place in their heart for religious vocations, because they realize that the future of our Church depends on religious vocations—especially priesthood vocations, and because the Serra Mission struck a note with them. While we all see the need in our own parishes and dioceses, we know the need goes beyond to the worldwide Church. Serra appeals to us all because its mission—to foster and support religious vocations in the *worldwide* church—is a direct and effective response to that need.

Serra International and US Council dues total $92 per year per Serran (half that for a spouse or under 35 member). That's $7.67 per month to accomplish our ongoing worldwide mission.

What do I get for my Serra dues of $7.67 per month? Speaking personally, I get peace of mind and the satisfaction of knowing that I am supporting one of the most important missions of the worldwide Catholic Church. It is an INVESTMENT in the future of the Catholic Church and the Eucharist!...

Bishop Tom Daly, our US Council Episcopal Advisor, told us recently that Serra has one of the best and most important missions in the Catholic Church. Our dues are an INVESTMENT in that mission.

Editor; ***The attached "What to You Get for your dues?" PDF file*** *lists the resources provided to individual Serra Clubs, vocations committees or parish vocations ministries to both effectively and efficiently accomplish this mission to encourage the increase in vocations.*

***Mark Kreyche with Seminarian Joseph Nguyen, who finished his summer assignment at St. Thomas More, and has completed his propaedeutic year. He will be returning to Mt. Angel seminary in mid August.***

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## A Voice for Vocations – July & August & June Speakers

*Melda Arick, Recorder*

### On August 19th We Had a Potluck Breakfast at Anne Champagne's Home.

We began the morning with a communion service held by our chaplain Bill Weeks We then moved to the chow line and, after eating our way through a smorgasbord of scrumptious entrees and deserts, Mark Kreyche introduced our speaker Moses Nunez, Youth Minister at St Cecilia.

Moses, during college and after graduation did missionary and evangelization work for FOCUS at UC Irvine and UC Berkley and then went into parish life ministering to 200 teens and 70 youth ministers.

Moses had us play a quick game because youth ministry is all about playing games. We were to write on a piece of paper the first word that came to mind when we heard the name "teenagers". In our times, teens are Going, Going, Gone. They are leaving the church and the medium age is 13 years old.

Why are they leaving the church? They are the Damaged, the Drifter and the Disagreer.

- Damaged: They were told that God would be there for them and He wasn't. We need to hear his story, listen and understand and offer compassion.

- Drifter: They are figuring out their identity. There is a disconnection in life mostly because they don't know who to turn to so they turn to social media, celebrities, and athletes. They need to see what a joy in life there is with Jesus and the church. The church accepts them no matter where they are. The church is actually a hospital for sinners.

- Disagreer: we have to provide spaces for them to ask questions-engage with them. We also, need to ask: How are we doing as a church? Would someone want to be Catholic by seeing our witness? Are we going out of our way to seek our young people? When they come, are we showing love and compassion to them? In the life of the church our main job is to foster trust in our teens.

The teens are leaving because they don't see the relevance of God in their lives. In the life of the church, our main job is to foster faith to all, especially the teens.

### Monday, Sept. 8th Msgr. John Sammon Memorial Golf Outing

The County Club is holding the Msgr. John Sammon Memorial Golf Outing at Tustin Ranch Golf Club on Monday, September 8th. Registration begins at 11:00 AM with the shotgun start at 1:00PM; The banquet begins at 6:00PM. Golf & Banquet are $189 per person. The banquet alone is $70.

This event is another opportunity for us to get the word out about Serra and show our priests and religious how much we appreciate them! Also, it's important we support the County Club as they did with us for the Ordinati Luncheon.

Please ask some golfers around your neighborhood and/or parish to participate. Ask you priest or deacon to participate cover their fee. Even if you do not golf, join us for a lovely dinner.

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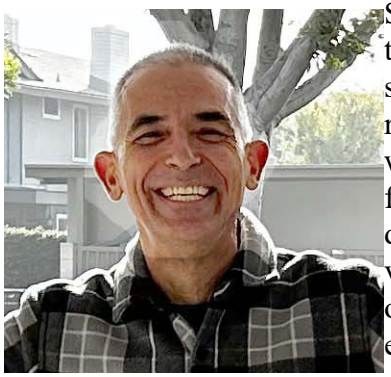
Contact Lulu Papac, 714-287-9023,
papac@sbcgobal.net

## Chaplain's Corner - Summer Reflections Honoring the Life of Sr. Hermine Jaschko, S.H.S.

Brothers & Sisters in Christ:



**Deacon Bill Weeks**

Summer is often thought of as a season for rest, relaxation, and a welcome respite from the demands of daily life. Images of vacations dance in our minds as we plan escapes to beautiful places.

For Sr. Hermine Jaschko, however—a devoted member of the Sacred Heart Sisters—this summer was not about planning getaways, but about preparing her heart for her final journey home to God. At the remarkable age of 106, Sr. Hermine spent these last days not reflecting on where to travel for leisure, but contemplating where the Lord had led her to serve His people so faithfully over the course of her life.

She had ample time to marvel at the Masterful Hand of God at work—from her rescue from tyranny in war-torn Hungary during the Cold War, to her providential meeting with Sr. Ida Peterfy that led to the founding of a religious community dedicated to Christ's Sacred Heart, to over 85 years of ministry to the Hispanic Church and communities around the world.

This summer was not filled with paging through travel brochures or browsing online for the perfect destination, nor with choosing what to pack for a trip. Instead, it was a summer of profound gratitude to the Lord for calling her to a life of ministry that glorified His name for generations. It was a time for falling to her knees in joyful praise, thanking God for the privilege of partnering with Him to work countless miracles in the lives of others. This summer was her hymn of thanksgiving for a life lived in humility, obedience, devoted service, and deep, abiding joy.

On July 4, 2025, Sr. Hermine's long-cherished wish was granted: she peacefully returned to the Lord, surrounded by her loving religious community. She took her final breath and entrusted her soul into the hands of her Savior, who received her and presented her before God Most High, singing her praises for a life so well and faithfully lived.

While Sr. Hermine enjoyed her share of vacations over the years, traveling to many beautiful places, it was her life of devotion that truly energized her. She lived to serve the Lord with all she had, and He in turn gave her everything she needed to make her ministry rich and abundant in His name.

May we, too, be inspired by her beautiful example. Let us devote ourselves wholeheartedly to the vocations God has entrusted to us, making of our lives a true gift to Him—wrapped in opportunities to glorify His name with beauty, grace, and love.

Deacon Bill Weeks

## Coming Events

### Meetings:

- **Tuesday Sept. 2, 2025 –** St. Cecilia 6:30 AM Mass in the church, followed by a continental breakfast, speaker, and business meeting

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- **Tuesday Sept., 16 2025 –** St. Cecilia 6:30 AM Mass in the church, followed by a continental breakfast, speaker, and business meeting

- **Tuesday Oct. 7, 2025 –** St. Cecilia 6:30 AM Mass in the church, followed by a continental breakfast, speaker, and business meeting

- **Tuesday Oct. 21, 2025 –** St. Cecilia 6:30 AM Mass in the church, followed by a continental breakfast, speaker, and business meeting

**Monday, Sept. 8th Msgr. John Sammon Memorial Golf Outing -** Tustin Ranch Golf Club registration at 11:00AM & shotgun start at 1:00PM; Banquet 6:00PM

## Happy Birthday

| Name | Month | Day |
|---|---|---|
| Mike Keating | July | 3 |
| John Le Duc | July | 6 |
| Jim Daze | July | 8 |
| Joe Neglia | July | 13 |
| George Brazeal | July | 16 |
| Maryellen Keating | July | 20 |
| Brigid Noonan | August | 8 |
| Carol Frank | August | 17 |
| Maureen Neglia | August | 22 |
| Luis Morones | August | 28 |
| Betty Padilla | August | 29 |

## Prayer List

## Deceased

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Wally Drazba and for his family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jane Virgilio (County Club) and for her family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jen Mauson and for her family
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Marge Turk and for her family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bob Moore and for his family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Charlie McCarthy and for his family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bob DeFeo and for his family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Messerschmidt and for her family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul Dan Phalanx (father in law of Deacon Bill) and for his family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Bible and for his family.

## Sick

Please pray for the intentions and speedy recovery of:

Dan Truzzolino (recovering from serious surgeries performed to repair injuries from an airplane maintenance accident), Kathy Le Duc, Tom Arick, Angie Brazeal (recovering from a broken hip), Andy Sison (recovering from an auto accident), Carol DeFeo, Deacon Bill Weeks, Michael Feeney, Mary's Kitchen, Sr Louise Ann Micek, Kathy Robinson, Jeanne Warren, Dan McKelvie, Nancy Ivary, Maureen Renden, Sister Virtue, Beverly Truzzolino, Seminarian Alvin Huynh who is having major surgery. and our Serran travelers.

## 2025-26 Officer Roster

| Officer | Name |
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| **Gov. District PA79:** | Anne Champagne |
| **President:** | Beverly Truzzolino |
| **President Elect:** | Mark Kreyche |
| **Treasurer:** | Matt Ivary |
| **Programs:** | Mark Kreyche |
| **Vocations** | Carol & Phil Frank |
| **Membership:** | Anne Champagne & Patty Baer |
| **Newsletter:** | James Dazé |
| **Recorder:** | Melda Arick |
| **Correspondence:** | Brigid Noonan |
| **Publicity** | Angie Brazeal |
| **Hospitality:** | Loretta Callopy |
| **Hispanic Ambassador:** | Luis Morones |
| **Trustees:** | John Le Duc, Maureen Neglia & Sister Louise Ann Micek, CSJ |
| **Ad Hoc. Committee:** | Georgia Mottl, Maureen Neglia, Loretta Callopy, Rosemarie Tsutsumi, Anne Champagne. |
| **Chaplain:** | Deacon Bill Weeks |
| **Spiritual Advisor:** | TBD |

## Prayer to Find A New Spiritual Advisor

Heavenly Father,

We seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in this matter. May He grant us His wisdom to search out a member of your Kingdom to serve in this capacity for our organization. Help us to select a spiritual candidate on fire for your Church passionate about serving it well. Enable them to make herself known quickly so that our members may be fed with the light of your truths. We make this our prayer today.
Amen.

## REGISTRATION FORM

## ANNUAL MSGR. JOHN SAMMON MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

**Date**: Monday, September 8, 2025
**Time**: 11:00 Registration and bag drop
11:30 Lunch and practice
1:00 Shotgun Start
5:00 Cocktails
6:00 Dinner
Format: Four Person Scramble
Info: Golf Coordinator: Lulu Papac (714) 287-9023
e-mail: papac@sbcglobal.net

**ENTRY FEE: $189.00**

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- Dinner
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**Awards:**

- Winning Foursome
- Longest Drive
- Closest to the Pin

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***Serra Club of Orange County Msgr. Sammon Golf Entry Form***

1. Name:_____
2. Name:_____
3. Name:_____
4. Name:_____

*Number of Golfers (all day)*_____ *at $189.00 each $*_____

*Number for Golf and Lunch only* _____ *at $150.00 each $*_____

*Number for Dinner Only*_____ *at $70.00 each $*_____

*Sponsor Donation*..... $_____

*Make checks payable to:* ***Serra Club of Orange County*** *Amount Enclosed $*_____

**Detach and mail with check NO LATER THAN August 24, 2025**
**to: Serra Club of Orange County, P.O. Box 5781, Newport Beach, CA 92662**