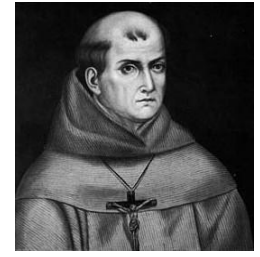




SERRA CLUB OF ORANGE COUNTY



June, 2020

Region 11

District 79

Charter 438

Newsletter

FUTURE EVENTS

- June 4 – Club Meeting **CANCELLED**
- June 6 – Ordination at Christ Cathedral
- June 9 – Installation of Officers, Zoom Meeting with City Club, 10am
- June 27 – Transitional Deacon Ordination at Mission San Juan Basilica
- June 27 – 2020 International Convention, New Orleans Louisiana - **CANCELLED**
- July 2 - Club Meeting
- July 14 – **Ordinati Mass and Luncheon CANCELLED**
- Aug 6 – Club Meeting
- Sep 3 – Club Meeting



PRAYER FOR PRIESTS AT ORDINATION

Our priests say that they are unworthy of your calling. And they are right, for no one is worthy of it. Yet you have chosen them for the common good. Inspire them, calm their hesitations, and encourage them. Let them know that they can always count on you, that your love surrounds them, and that you are never far from them.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Our Journey Back Begins

We've been separated by distance but connected through faith during these past three months. We were nourished by our online Masses. I have to admit that I didn't just watch that of my own parish. One day I watched three Masses, each with its own character, but the same Holy Sacrifice of the Mass that is celebrated throughout the world. We also enjoyed the richness of spiritual offerings online, especially during Lent. I experienced a new focus to my praying, giving and fasting duties.

Sadly, our distancing will continue a little longer as we will not be able to be with our seminarians as they are ordained as priests on June 6 and as deacons on June 27. However, we can connect with a live stream of the events and by sending our cards to them.

We will not meet in person in June, but you are all invited as we connect in a Zoom meeting on June 9th

at 10:00am for a combined installation of officers with the City Club. If we can't meet in person in July, we will connect by having a Zoom Meeting and continue to do so until we can be together again at St. Norbert's.

Separated but connected- that will get us through. So, as we begin our journey back, let us remember our Serra motto: "Always forward, never back." It's never really back. We have been transformed by our experiences. There will be something new we take forward with us, each in our own way. Let our journey back lead us to a rededication to our Serra mission. I, for my part will put my heart and soul into leading us forward.

Thank you to Virginia Mort for her two terms as president and a beyond the call of duty partial (12 months) third term. I'm following a great lady. Don't worry. She will continue to be a steady presence in our club. She's a true Serran!

In God's Love, Catherine Walton, President

VOCATION REPORT



The seminarian who received the gift card for June, donated by Jane Virgilio, is Francis Ang. Francis is Virginia Mort's adopted seminarian.

SEMINARIANS: An update from Our Vocations Director, Father Brandon Dang. Presently, most of our seminarians are back home in Orange County. There are a few who have travelled outside of Orange County to be with their families. The seminarians will begin their summer assignments June 8th. Most will be in parishes helping the pastors transition back to the church. Some will work in a limited capacity in departments in the Diocese, i.e. Youth and Young Adult, Tribunal, and Life, Peace and Justice. Father Brandon will also be doing various activities with the seminarians including a Day of Recollection.

Father Brandon will be having Discernment Meetings again via Zoom, this Tuesday, June 2nd and June 30th. Any questions regarding discernment call Father Brandon at 714-282-3033 or bdang@rcbo.org. Additionally, you can visit the Serraus.org website and watch inspiring talks or listen to the Pope's inspirational message to Serrans.

VOCATION PRAYER: O Father, raise up among Christians numerous and holy vocations to the priesthood, to keep the faith alive and guard the gracious memory of your son, Jesus, through the preaching of His word and the administration of the Sacraments with which you continually renew your faithful.

Give us holy ministers of your altar, who are careful and fervent guardians of the Eucharist, the sacrament of the supreme gift of Christ for the redemption of the world. Call ministers of your mercy, who through the sacrament of Recollection, spread the joy of your forgiveness.

Grant, O Father, that the Church may welcome with joy numerous inspirations of the Spirit of your Son and, docile through His teachings, may she care for vocations to the ministerial priesthood and to the consecrated life. We offer this prayer in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Mary Brockschmidt
Vocations

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