



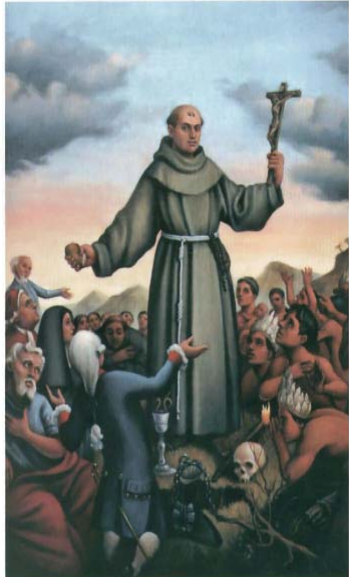
# Serra South NEWS

SERVING PRIEST AND RELIGIOUS SINCE 1935

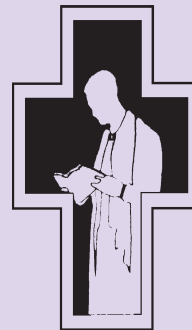
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## SERRA CLUB OF SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY

*Saint Junipero Serra*



**Board Meetings  
Second Monday  
of the Month  
Regular Meeting  
3rd Monday  
of the Month**

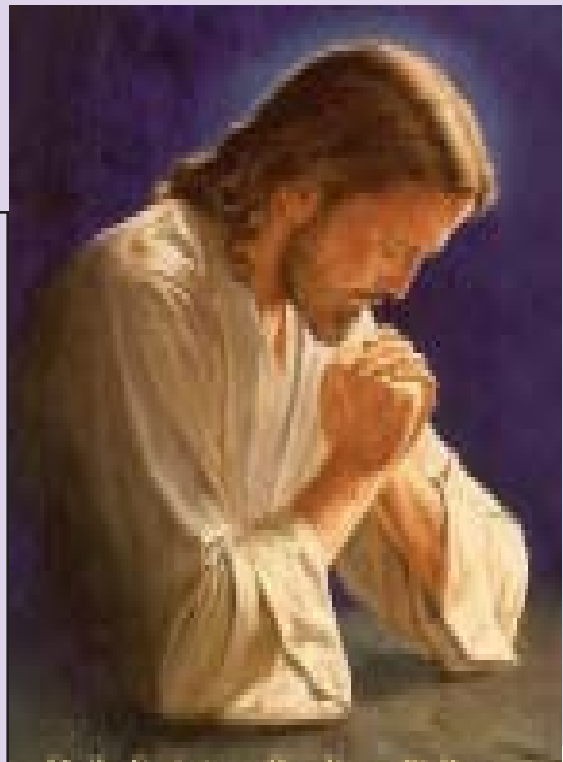


**FOSTERING  
VOCATIONS  
TO THE  
PRIESTHOOD  
AND THE  
RELIGIOUS  
LIFE**

*"Always to go forward  
Never to turn back"*

### SERRAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

O God, Who wills not the death of a sinner  
\* but rather that he be converted and live \*  
grant we beseech you \* through the  
intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin  
\* Saint Joseph, her spouse \* Saint Junipero  
Serra \* and all the saints \* an increase of  
laborers for Your Church \* fellow laborers with  
Christ to spend and consume themselves for  
souls \* through the same Jesus Christ \* Your  
Son \* who lives and reigns with You \* In the  
unity of the Holy Spirit \* God forever \* and  
ever. Amen



# Serra Club of South Orange County

## Serra South News

### CALENDAR

#### May

May 29 Installation, Combined clubs meeting  
Sisters of Saint Joseph. RSVP

#### Future Events

May 11, 2016 World Day of prayer for Vocations  
June 11, 2016 Pristhood Ordination, 10am.  
St. Columban, Garden Grove  
June 25, 2016 Trans-Deaconate Ordination. 10am.  
St. Columban, Garden Grove  
June 30-July 3, 2016 Serra's 73rd International Convention,  
St. Louis, MO  
July 1, 2016 Saint Junipero's feast day  
Sept. 19, 2016 Ordinati Dinner - SSJ-Orange  
Oct. 26, 2016 Priesthood Sunday  
October 26, 2016 Permanent Deacon Ordination, 10am,  
St. Columban, Garden Grove  
Nov 6-12, 2016 National Vocation Awareness Week  
February, 2017 World Day of Consecrated Life  
Marci 1, 2017 Ash Wednesday  
April 16, 2017 Easter Sunday

#### Meeting Schedule

The following is the suggested future meeting schedule.  
Meetings will be at St. Edward for 5:30 PM Mass  
followed by a program at  
St. Edward Knight Hall main room unless otherwise  
announced.

May 29	Officers' Installation	SSJ-Orange
June 20	Regular Meeting	St. Edward
July 18	Regular Meeting	St. Edward
August 15	Regular Meeting	St. Edward
September 19	Ordinati Dinner	SSJ-Orange
October 17	Regular Meeting	St. Edward
November 21	Regular Meeting	St. Edward
December 19	Christmas Party	Brio's DP

To find out more News about Serra in Orange County  
visit the website: [www.serraoc.org](http://www.serraoc.org)

### SERRA CLUB OF SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - MAY 2016

As we begin our new Serra year, let us always keep in mind our mission. Daily prayers for existing and new Vocations.

Our club has had many successes; our club struggles have also been there. But our time is always worthwhile when we pray for vocations.

The events coming up for the year are just a little different than last year. Our Ordinati Dinner that we normally have in August will be on September 19th this year. It is expected that Bishop Kevin Vann will be our celebrant. We already have a speaker for July, Sister Sue Dunning from San Felipe The Jesus. She is one busy lady and July is the only month that she can be our speaker. We thank her for that. Bill Tally is in charge of getting speakers is already working at it. If any one has any suggestions of someone to be our speaker, he will be glad to get your input. We are working on setting up our Christmas Party on Monday December 19th. It will be at Brio's Tuscanny in Dana Point.

It is our goal to have the newsletter every month or at least every other month. Any input of articles or subject matter will be appreciated. Any contribution of any kind that will make our club better will be appreciated, please let me know.

Christopher Mino  
President

**For more information about other events, check out at [www.serraoc.org](http://www.serraoc.org).**

## About Serra

### A Brief History of Serra International . . .

The year was 1934; the place was Seattle, Washington, and four Catholic friends had an idea. They decided to meet regularly over a meal to discuss how their Christian values could be lived out in their professional lives. Soon more friends were joining them, and within several months they had decided on an additional focus: the encouraging of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. They chose Padre Junipero Serra, the noted Spanish missionary, as patron.

This small group has grown into Serra International. Serrans today are still dedicated to spiritual growth, continuing Catholic adult education, warm fellowship, and the encouragement of Church vocations. Serra clubs are a great idea, and they have become a tradition of commitment. Serra International chartered its first Serra club in 1935 in Seattle, Washington. Then, as now, the two great needs for the church were for informed Catholic lay leaders who understand and live their own Christian vocations to service, and for dedicated priests and religious.

In 1951, Serra International became aggregated to the Sacred Council for Catholic Education and the Pontifical Work for Priestly Vocations. In 1986, Serra International voted to welcome women as well as men to membership in the organization. Today, there are more than 700 Serra clubs in 36 countries with a total membership of more than 19,000 men, women and permanent deacons. Each Serra club is a member of both a national council and Serra International. Serra International, which has an office located in Chicago, links Serra clubs around the world.

More of the story to follow.

**This prayer is written in the spirit of Saint Junipero Serra who had such an intense devotion to the Blessed Lord in the Eucharist.**

Loving Father,  
through the sending of your Son,  
you have filled us with faith  
that transforms our life and that  
strengthens us  
to face the darkness of this dark night.  
We have come in obedience to our  
Blessed Savior.  
We have come to worship Your Holy  
Will.  
We have come to see fulfilled  
what Jesus Himself taught us to pray:  
"Thy Kingdom Come, Thy Will be done"  
We have come to adore Your Son  
who lays down His human life  
out of unfaltering love for You.  
Keep us faithful in our adoration.  
May our vigil lead us to the light of  
paschal grace,  
even as the star led the Magi to your  
newborn Son,  
We ask this through Christ, Our Lord.

### Prayer Corner

**Please Pray for All Our Serrans,  
especially –**

**Carl Katcher, R.I.P.  
Msgr. John F. Sammon, R.I.P.  
Lloyd Sallot, R.I.P.  
Bishop Flores, R.I.P.  
Denis Flynn, R.I.P.  
Laurie Esser, R.I.P.  
Doris Deal**



**ROMAN CATHOLIC  
DIOCESE of ORANGE**

PASTORAL CENTER: [VOCATIONS OFFICE](#)  
13280 CHAPMAN AVENUE, GARDEN GROVE, CA 92840

## Vocation's Director Office

**TO: All Priests of the Diocese of Orange**  
**FR: Rev. John Money Penny**  
**RE: Call to the Order of Presbyterate**

Brothers in Christ,  
Bishop Kevin Vann calls the following men to the Order of the Presbyterate:

Brandon L. Dang  
Joseph Huan Nguyen  
David Alan Otto  
Nicolaus Duy Thai  
Quyên Van Truong

These men will be ordained to the Priesthood on:

Saturday, June 11th, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.  
St. Columban Church  
10801 Stanford Avenue  
Garden Grove, CA 92840



Please keep these men in your prayers. I invite you to especially pray for our newly ordained priests and our men in seminary formation on Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. Adding a special general intercession is appropriate.

*"Vocations are born in prayer and from prayer; and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit."*

*- Pope Francis*



## Vocations Corner

Use of the word vocation before the sixteenth century referred firstly to the "call by God" to an individual, or calling of all mankind to salvation, particularly in the Vulgate, and more specifically to the "vocation" to the priesthood, or to the religious life, which is still the usual sense in Roman Catholicism. Roman Catholicism recognizes marriage, single life, religious, and ordained life as the four vocations.

Years ago it was an honor to have a son become a priest, or a daughter enter into Religious Life. Our society has become so intent on our sons and daughters to go to college and get high paying jobs. Our young people have become so busy and many have lost their faith. We all need to slow down and take time to pray and meditate on where God wants our vocations to be.

Our Serrans pray daily for vocations to the priesthood, religious life and to the diaconate. We also pray for those who are married or single that they will live out their vocations to bring the gospel to their environments by works and actions. We are all responsible to spread the love of God to all those we know and love.

If you are trying to decide what your vocation is, you need to take some quiet time to pray so you can hear the voice of the Holy spirit.

Carol LaVigne

Saturday, October 25th at 5:30 PM Mass was special time for our club, Serra everywhere and St. Edward.

Fr. Ryan Holke celebrated his first English mass in his home parish, St. Edward The Confessor.

Now, little of nostalgia, In January 2005 a committee was formed to try to organize a Serra Club of South County. This was a definitive command of the Holy Spirit, by July, with the help of the other Serra Clubs in the Diocese of Orange, we had enough members to be able to charter the club. On September 7, 2005 Bishop Tod-David Brown installed our club by Mass at the Serra Chapel and dinner afterwards.

Up until that time we had no vocations in South County. Ryan was our first vocation and in October 4, 2014 he became Fr. Ryan Holke of St. Maximilian Kolbe of the Immaculata in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

We have had other vocations since then and we continue to have some at present.

The first part of last year we had our ten year anniversary celebration. Thanks to all of you that have prayed and with financial support have made this possible. Let us continue to pray and foster Vocations in South County and everywhere.



# SERRA TENTH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Monday, December 19, 2016



Brio's Restaurant, DP  
Mass at St. Edward, 5:30 PM



Cocktails and Dinner 7:00 PM



## And a Happy New Year



THIS IS A HAPPY AND PEACEFUL TIME  
TO SHARE WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

\$ 30.00 Per Person  
R.S.V.P. - ASAP, please  
no later than December 5, 2016  
Two menu choices will be available  
No-Host bar also available  
Joe DeRitis 949-716-6525

[jderitis@cox.net](mailto:jderitis@cox.net)



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- 1) Our June speakers will be Seminarians
- 2) Christmas Party at Brio's DP. We'll start after 5:30 PM Mass.

"Happy 4th of July"  
" Fun and Blessed Summer"



*Blessed* are they who hear the Word of God  
and keep it.

*(Luke 11: 28)*



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