# A Voice for Vocations

### May 2018



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2017-2018

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#### **Upcoming Events**

MAY 1: **MEETING** Speakers:

Sr. Louise Ann Micek, CSJ and Sr. Jane Delisle, CSJ "Evangelical Vows for All"

MAY 15: MEETING
Installation of New Officers
Will take place immediately
after 6:30am Mass

June 1, 2018: New! Serra 2-year term begins 2018 through 2020

SAVE THE DATES:
Holy Family Cathedral
Ordination June 9, 2018
Diaconate Ordination –
June 23, 2018

SAVE THE DATE: June 27 thru July 1, 2018 Serra Int'l Convention-Nashville, TN

# **PREZ SEZ**Anne Champagne, President



### Month of Mary

The month of May has traditionally been a time of special devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary in our Catholic tradition. Recently, a new obligatory Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary "Mother of the Church" has been established from the Vatican to take place on the Monday after Pentecost, which, this year will be celebrated on Monday, May 21st. Since Pope Francis' monthly intention for 2018 is "Evangelization - Mission of Laity": "that the faithful may fulfill their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today" (as documented on the USCCB website), it would be a good time to turn to Our Blessed Mother in prayer and discern what that means on an individual level for each of us, Back in 2014, while Pope Francis was standing before a replica of the grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes, Pope Francis said "She is the virgin of readiness, Our Lady of Haste." darkness fell over this event.....Pope Francis noted how in the Gospel of Luke's description of Mary visiting her cousin, Elizabeth, it says Mary went "in haste." She did not lose time; she went right away to serve, the pope said. Mary is always "ready to come to our aid when we pray to her, when we ask her help, her protection over us," Pope Francis said, "In the many moments of life when we need the help of her protection, remember that she will not make us wait; she is Our Lady of Haste."

#### Serra Club City of Orange

Region 11, District 127, Charter 643

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

(Prez Sez....continued)

As we, here at the Serra Club, strive to fulfill our personal call to holiness, perhaps during this month of May we can use the following prayer, which is an excerpt from the liturgy for May 21<sup>st</sup>, Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, "Mother of the Church".

"O God, Father of mercies, whose Only Begotten Son, as he hung upon the Cross, chose the Blessed Virgin Mary, his Mother, to be our Mother also, grant, we pray, that with her loving help, your Church may be more fruitful day by day and, exulting in the holiness of her children, may draw to her embrace all the families of the peoples. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever."

"Mary, Mother of the Church, Pray for us"



#### Club Newz



Loretta Callopy

On April 3, Loretta Callopy provided some thoughts and reflections on Easter. She began her presentation by reading Romans 10:8-13. Easter time is the time when the unfolding mystery of God and the Church take place. Easter is the season of Alleluia; it is a hopeful sign of the time when all we will do is rejoice in God and be fully in His presence. Most of the scripture readings during these 50 days of Easter focus mostly on the Gospel of John, the Acts of the Apostles and the Book of Revelation. The readings mainly dwell on the followers of Christ as they celebrate in the gift of the spirit, spread the good news of salvation and work toward the life of heaven on earth. Easter is the heart of our Christian faith. We are all born anew in Jesus' death and healed by his suffering. We are a people of Resurrection and this helps us bring the good news of Easter to others.

Easter can fall on any one of 35 potential dates. The earliest one is March 22 and the latest is April 25.

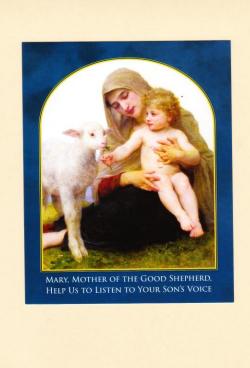
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Fr. Domenico Di Raimondo, MSpS

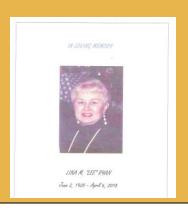
Fr. Domenico Di Raimondo shared his called to priesthood and his current assignment as the Director of the House of Prayer for priests at our meeting on April 17. While he was attending school and being taught by religious sisters, he became attracted to the foreign missions. Then, after thinking about it for about 6 months, he entered the seminary at the young age of 12. While his dad agreed to his decision, his mom initially did not. Cost was an issue but with the financial assistance from a dear lady, the seminary cost of one hundred pesos was covered. Fr. Domenico reminded us that God calls at any time and he encouraged the Serrans to continue our prayers for priests and those in religious life. Since July, 2017, he has been the Director of the House of Prayer for priests. Bishop William Johnson, the first bishop of the Diocese of Orange saw the need to create this house some thirty four years ago. We need holy and vibrant priests; we need a place where priests can go and pray and rest. Fr. Domenico told us that priests have come from all over the country. He is currently in the process of building a team of spiritual directors.

## World Day of Prayer For Vocations Apríl 22, 2018





May 8 - Phíl Frank May 12 - Beverly Truzzolíno



### John Le Duc at Holy Family Cathedral



Carol De Feo and John Le Duc



# Vocation Prayer

2018

## Pray Always

Almighty and eternal God, in your unfailing love you provide ministers for your Church. We pray for those whom you call to serve the Church of Mary Queen as priests and deacons. Inspire in them a generous response. Grant them courage and vision to serve your people. May their lives and service call your people to respond to the presence of your Spirit among us that, faithful to the Gospel and hope of Jesus Christ, we may announce glad tidings to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives, set prisoners free and renew the face of the earth.

### **Breakfast Meeting Volunteers**

#### **Date**

5/1 ED HASKE

5/15 PHIL & CAROL FRANK

6/5 CECILIA VU

"Always forward, never back!"

Junipero Serra



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