

# A Voice for Vocations

July 2019



## PREZ SEZ

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Serra Club City of Orange

Region 11, District 79, Charter 643



Our mission is to foster, affirm and promote vocations to the priesthood, religious life, diaconate and lay ministries and, through this, to deepen our members' personal faith. life.

### Officer Roster

2018-2020

*President* Beverly Truzzolino  
*President Elect* Patty Baer  
*Treasurer* Matt Ivary  
*Programs* Joe & Maureen Neglia  
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*Membership* Betty Padilla & Georgia Mottl  
*Communications/Newsletter:* Nancy Ivary  
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*Corresponding Secretary:* Carol Cagle  
*Sergeant-at-Arms:* Joe Costanza  
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*Chaplain:* Father Nicolaus Thai  
*Spiritual Advisor:* Sister Louise Ann Micek, CSJ  
*District 79 Governor:* Anne Champagne

## SERRA IS A BLESSING!

Summertime is full of sun and fun. It is likewise the time to welcome our newly ordained deacons: Deacon Michael Rizzo, Deacon Dam Doan, and Deacon Jake Mackowicz. We are also excited for our six soon-to-be ordained priests as they participate in the first Ordination to be held at Christ Cathedral, 10 days after its Sacred Dedication on July 17<sup>th</sup>. The six include Rev. Mr. Erialdo Ramirez Alfaro, Rev. Mr. Scott Allen, Rev. Mr. Daniel Seo, Rev. Mr. Martin Vu, Rev. Mr. Michael Duc Nguyen, and Rev. Mr. Joseph Squillacioti. We are truly blessed to be living in such a wonderful time in our diocese and in our church.

Last week I met a retired sixty-year priest, Fr. Al Scott, as he visited with and anointed my mother. He shared that many years ago he had written to Rev. Robert Schuller, founder of the then "Chrystal Cathedral," thanking him for the wonderful job he was doing as pastor. Rev. Schuller invited Fr. Scott to visit him. During their visit Fr. Scott stated that Rev. Schuller was very much supportive of the Catholic Church. It's interesting to reflect on moments like that realizing the campus is now transformed into our beautiful new Catholic "Christ Cathedral!"

I received a call last week from Christ Cathedral Worship Office and they requested two Serran representatives to participate in the July 17 dedication procession. As your president, myself and your District Governor, Anne Champagne will represent Serra. Wow, what an honor!

We just returned from the International Serran Convention in Mexico City where we met lots of worldwide Serrans and learned more about the work of the Serra Club. My husband Dan joined me as well as Matt and Nancy Ivary from our club and Pat Manzo from the County Club. A highlight of the Serra International Convention was Mass in the Basilica celebrated by Archbishop Emeritus Emilio Carlos Berlie Belaunzaran of Yucatan. We sat directly in front of the miraculous imprint of Our Lady of Guadalupe on St. Juan Diego's tilma. It was deeply inspirational. I prayed for all of you and for your intentions at this Mass; I continually pray for our Serra Club to grow in holiness.

The presentations at this convention included suggestions of forming satellite "Friends of Serra" groups, collections of perhaps younger people who might not be ready or able to attend our meetings but who share our love of the church and desire to encourage vocations. They can be "satellite" groups, connected to us but independently organized. A new way to expand Serra? Worthy of thought.

In addition to enjoying the scheduled talks and meetings, we had time for tourist activities, as well. We climbed pyramids and visited museums and toured the city and even had a tequila tasting. Wish you'd been there!

Serra truly is a gift. Let us reflect on Matthew 5:15--"No one lights a lamp and puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house." Let us shine our light of Serra and not hide our mission of vocation awareness. Invite someone to a Serra meeting today.

### Upcoming Events

**JULY 16: EUCH. ADORATION AFTER MASS; Meeting at Betty & Manny Padillas' POTLUCK BREAKFAST**  
**JULY 17: Christ Cathedral Dedication (10:30 am)**  
**JULY 27: 6 Priests Ordained CHRIST CATHEDRAL!**  
**AUG 6: (NO MTG.) ORDINATI LUNCHEON at St. Cecilia**  
**AUG 16: Serra Welcome Party for new Voc. Dir., Fr. Brandon Dang at Pat Manzo's 4:30 pm SAVE THE DATE!**  
**AUG 20: Meeting--Speaker: Vocations Director, Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange**  
**SEPT 9: Serra Golf Outing at Tustin Ranch: Reg/lunch@ 11a/tee off 1p(\$140); dinner & drinks only @ 5p (\$40)**  
**SEPT 3: Speaker: John LeDuc—"Ghana Water Project"**

# Serra Int'l Convention – Mexico City – 2019



ORANGE COUNTY SERRA was represented by five happy attendees: Beverly Truzzolino, City Club Pres. & husband Dan; Pat Manzo (County Club), SI Fndn. Bd. Mbr; Nancy Ivary, former Regional Dir. and Matt Ivary (both City Club), former Distr. Governor.



Presentations were sometimes in Spanish. When this was the case, earphones were available with translations: English, Spanish, Portuguese & Italian.



A huge blessing was high Mass at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe. It was the highlight of the trip for many.



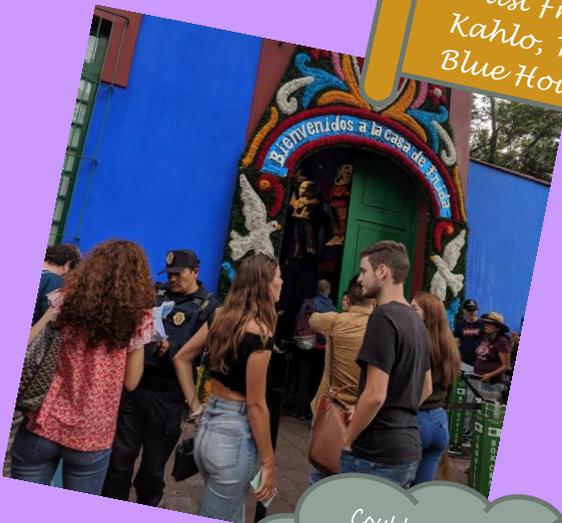
It was magnificent to visit the TEOTIHUACAN PYRAMIDS



# Mexico City Highlights



We greatly enjoyed the tequila tasting & stone massage.



Spectacular home of artist Frida Kahlo; The Blue House

Could we, like Frida, paint our way to fame though crippled and in pain?



## Happy Birthday . . .

### JULY

John Le Duc on the 6<sup>th</sup>

Jim Daze on the 8<sup>th</sup>

Joe Neglia on the 13<sup>th</sup>

Bob De Feo on the 26<sup>th</sup>

Jeanne Warren on the 31<sup>st</sup>

## Save the Date!

AUGUST 6



### ORDINATI LUNCH FOR NEWLY ORDAINED PRIESTS

Fr. Eric Ramirez

Fr. Scott Allen

Fr. Duc Nguyen

Fr. Daniel Seo

Fr. Joe Squillacioti

Fr. Martin Vu

AT

ST. CECILIA CHURCH HALL

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS  
FROM SERRA INT'L CONVENTION IN MEXICO CITY

Almighty Father, you have created us for some definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path you have planned for us in this life and to respond with a generous "Yes."

Make our archdioceses, parishes, homes and hearts fruitful ground for your gift of vocations. May our young people respond to your call with courage and zeal.

Stir among our men a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests. Bless us with consecrated religious and those called to a chaste single life, permanent deacons, and faithful husbands and wives, who are a sign of Christ's love for his Church.

We commend our prayer for vocations to you, Father, through the intercession of Mary our Mother, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord. Amen --Archbishop Dennis Schnurr

VOLUNTEER BREAKFAST HOSTS



**JULY 16 MATT & NANCY IVARY C. 714/730-7273**

*CLEAN-UP* BETTY PADILLA & GEORGIA MOTTL

**AUG 6 NO MEETING SIGN UP TO HELP WITH ORDINATI**

**AUG 20 JOE & MAUREEN NEGLIA H. 714/288-0341**

*CLEAN-UP* LORETTA CALLOPY & ROSEMARIE TSUTSUMI

"Always Forward, never  
back!"  
Junipero Serra



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