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A Voice for Vocations



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OUR MISSION is to foster.

affirm and promote vocations to the priesthood, religious life, deaconate and lay ministries and, through this, to deepen our members' personal faith. life.



SEPTEMBER

12th Carl Manning 14th Jim Wiencek

PREZ SEZ Patty Baer, President



SO MANY SAINTS!

On September 1st we honor the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. With that awareness, I will start with the September . . .

. . . INTENTION OF POPE FRANCIS:

"Creator of the Universe, throughout September, we pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this."

Our Blessed Mother is commemorated on **September 8th** for her birthday, and then again a week later for her Sorrows. When the Rosary is recited from Lourdes, the prayer after every Glory Be is: "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you".

Pray, hope, and don't worry. Isn't that a catchy phrase? It is actually a quote from St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), whose feast we celebrate on **September 23rd**. How can we put those suggestions into daily practice? James in his epistle would write, "Consider it pure joy when you face trials of all kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. And let perseverance be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing." These are powerful words, and they are there to challenge us, not only in a pandemic, but in every harsh and difficult situation that comes our way. If anything, what we are being called to in this still difficult time is to be fortified in our faith and intensified in our prayer life. One of the gems of our membership in Serra is to increase our own spiritual

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DISTRICT DOINGS

Anne Champagne Governor, District #79



UPCOMING SERRA EVENTS FOR 2021 TO 2022

As we look forward to our last 4 months of 2021, and the upcoming year of 2022, it is wise to plan with an eye to the future, and to join Serrans worldwide in fulfilling the mission of our Serra clubs to affirm and promote vocations and in doing so, to grow spiritually in our own personal "holiness" in our relationship with Our Lord.

As we had presented in our last newsletter, we are still planning to have a "Serra Ambassador" for our parishes here in the Diocese of Orange, who will be our representative to convey to any parish ministers, who work to provide a "culture of vocations," all that our Serra SPARK program has to offer to assist them in their efforts.

Listed below are upcoming "SAVE-THE-DATE's" that you may wish to add to your calendar because what we can all do together far exceeds what any one individual may accomplish!

Please join us in these efforts as they are implemented going forward!

"Serra Meets" Saturday Zoom Meeting September 11, 2021 9am PST (Speaker: Vocations Director Fr. Edwin Leonard of Dallas, TX)

PRIESTHOOD APPRECIATION SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 25-26, 2021

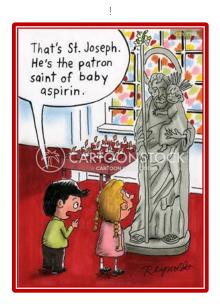
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livelihood. Having recently acquired a new Club Chaplain, we're reminded that we all have a vocational calling. Fr. Cheeyoon Chun gave a beautiful testimony to his own calling to serve us laity as a priest. We can count on him to provide pertinent "spiritual wellness" to us members so as to keep us focused on our mission for personal spiritual growth. Of course, we realize that perseverance is a gift from God to us. It opens us to the virtue of patience, a problem for many of us. For myself, I am encountering many instances to embrace it and put it into practice. I am finding that Jim is at times relying on me to work with him in meeting the challenges of his medical condition. My focus can't be so much on the trial I'm having, but on the faith I have in the Lord to give me the strength needed to help Jim. This is an instructive lesson for me. It comes down to what Jesus related to his Apostles--"Do not be afraid; I am with you."

On **September 29th**, we revere three archangels because they played an important role in the history of salvation. They are given proper names to denote the service they perform. Michael means "Who is like God?," being sent to fight against Satan, so as not to be seduced by him. Gabriel is "The Strength of God", sent to Mary to announce the coming of the Lord of the heavenly powers. Raphael means "God's Remedy", for when he touched Tobit's eyes, he banished the darkness of his blindness, thus healing him. These personal names are assigned to some angels, not because they could not be known without them, but rather to denote their ministry when they come among us to help us on our journey. They connect us to heaven; they are known to be protectors of us all. Three cheers to three notables!

Thank God for All Our Saints!



PRAY ALWAYS

HIS WORDS. YOUR JOURNEY. TOGETHER.



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2021

"We often think that evil comes mainly from the outside: from other people's conduct, from those who think badly of us, from society. How often we blame others, society, the world, for everything that happens to us! It is always the fault of "others": it is the fault of people, of those who govern, of misfortune, and so on... And we spend time assigning blame; but spending time blaming others is wasting time. We become angry, bitter and keep God away from our heart... One cannot be truly religious in complaining: complaining poisons, it leads you to anger, to resentment and to sadness, that of the heart, which closes the door to God."

Pope Francis

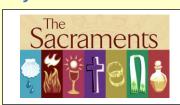
SEPT-OCT SPEAKERS

SEPT 7 NO GEN'L MEETING LABOR DAY (ONLINE BOARD MEETING AT 10:15 AM)

SEPT 21 DAN TRUZZOLINO

Subject: SACRAMENTS





OCT 5 TBD

OCT 19 TIM PORRAS, Catholic Cemeteries Subject: "WHAT'S YOUR PLAN?"





DISTRICT DOINGS CONT.

"Serra Meets" Saturday Zoom Meeting
October 9, 2021 9am PST
(Speaker: Bishop Ronald Hicks, Diocese of Joliet, IL)

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK NOVEMBER 7-13, 2021

"Serra Meets" Saturday Zoom Meeting
November 13, 2021 9am PST (Speaker: TBA)
"Serra Meets" Saturday Zoom Meeting
December 11, 2021 9am PST
Speaker: Bishop Tom Daly - Serra Episcopal
Advisor and Bishop of Spokane, WA

UPCOMING SERRA CONVENTION MEETINGS:

Serra International Convention in Chicago, IL October 7-10, 2021 Serra Rally in the Dallas/Fort Worth area January 14-16, 2022 Serra International Convention in Toronto, CA July 14-17, 2022

UPCOMING LOCAL OC SERRA EVENTS:

Day of Recollection Lenten Retreat Date TBA (Early Lent)

Trip to St. John's Seminary Date TBA (Mid-March)



Do not wait until a priest retires or is transferred to celebrate their service. Like Father's Day, let Priesthood Sunday be the one day a year when we make it a point to make priests feel truly appreciated and special.

SEPTEMBER 25/26, 2021

Catholics are invited to observe Vatican-backed worldwide events, namely, World Day of Prayer for Vocations and World Day for Consecrated Life. In the United States, we also have National Vocation Awareness Week and National Catholic Sisters Week. Priesthood Sunday, however, specifically honors priests, without whom the Mass could not be offered and Sacraments could not be celebrated.

Sr. Louise invites us to join the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange in their 6th annual

DAY OF SERVICE

SEPTEMBER 18-26

SEE BELOW



Dear Serran friends,

Due to the pandemic, we are hosting a week of "hybrid" projects to serve our dear neighbors. You can choose from a virtual, drop-off, or in-person service project.

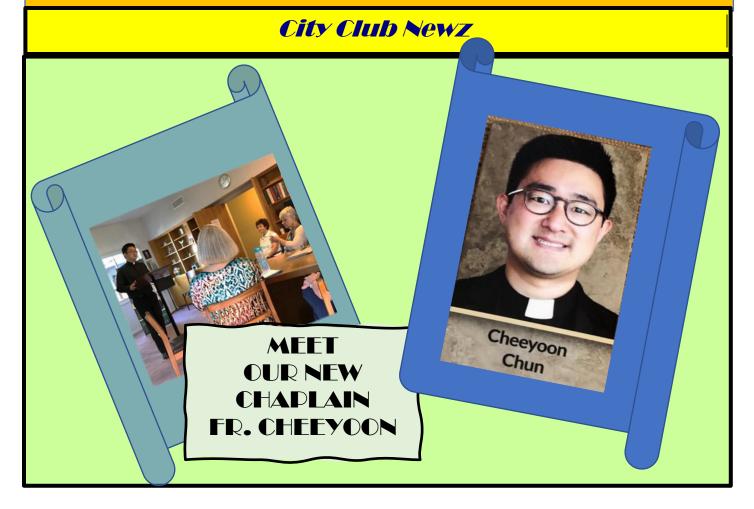
See the full list of opportunities and register to participate at csjorange.org "Day of Service"

Please join us for our sixth annual Day of Service in Our Neighborhoods. We are adapting to the signs of the times during this global pandemic and serving the dear neighbor in new ways. Therefore, we are again offering "hybrid" opportunities to accommodate drive by, virtual and inperson service for safe options during the pandemic. The needs are greater than ever!

Actions will start September 18 and go through Saturday, September 25. Please see the lists of options for more information. Additional information about locations and logins are provided following registration). Like our founding sisters did 370 years ago in LePuy, France, we will go into our neighborhoods and work together to address the needs we have found there, while adapting to the needs of the time. Thank you for accompanying us on this journey.

Please contact <u>Yesenia Altamirano</u> at <u>yaltamirano@csjorange.org</u> for answers to any questions. Registration deadline is September 10, 2021.

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AUGUST-SEPTEMBER MEETING SCHEDULE

It is with great joy that we can now meet in person. John LeDuc has secured newly ordained Fr. Cheeyoon Chun to be our next Chaplain! Father is the new Parochial Vicar at Holy Family Cathedral and has suggested he offer a 7:00 AM Mass for our Tuesday meetings. John has also been able to get a meeting room for us. He will direct us to it after the Mass. He will also provide coffee and doughnuts for this meeting. Patty will bring yogurt cups and spoons. There will be a basket provided for donations. We look forward to seeing all of our members this Tuesday morning at Holy Family Cathedral Church: 566 S. Glassell St., Orange 92866.

Remember . . .
Holy Family Cathedral

7:00 a.m. Mass Meeting in a room there after Mass.