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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.



MARCH

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PREZ SEZ



LENT ENCOURAGES US TO REFLECT ON OUR LIVES

We all can recall how quickly our lives changed two years ago at the start of the pandemic. Plans were changed and even cancelled. The past few months for me was another sudden change. In October, Jim came home from his third bladder surgery a changed man. He could barely walk; we quickly scheduled a physical therapist to work with him in our home. He was reduced to using a walker and wheelchair to get around. Within six weeks, I was becoming physically exhausted. By December, Jim was starting an immunotherapy Kevtruda. called administered by infusion every three weeks. His fourth one was on January 31st, and I could tell it was draining him. With the help of my children, family members and friends, we managed to keep his appointments and a few social gatherings. But God had other plans. He called Jim to His eternal home on February 5th. He is now whole once again, and the struggle is over. I think back over our 45 years of married life--some that

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Anne Champagne Governor, District #79



LOYOLA INSTITUTE OF SPIRITUALITY WILL HOST ANNUAL HEARTS ON FIRE EVENT

This year, LIS will once again host their annual Hearts on Fire event. It will be a live, outdoor occasion on the beautiful grounds of the Summit House, overlooking the city of Fullerton and environs. It will take place on Thursday evening, May 5th.

In the words of Lori Stanley, Executive Director of Institute, "It is our pleasure to announce LIS will host this year's awards event and fundraiser: 'Hearts on Fire: Meeting You Where You Are.' We are inspired to go forth to meet people where they are and to provide the gift of Ignatian Spirituality to all those seeking a deeper connection with Christ and those desiring to develop leadership and ministerial skills. We are pleased to announce DR. YOLANDA BROWN, M.DIV. as our awardee for

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were carefree, others that were challenging--and I recall the faith and trust we built together. We never doubted God's ability to guide us. Even now, I can have peace and confidence that God will continue to sustain me as I move forward in this new phase of my life. He has given me so many friends, and He continues to show me His compassion and mercy through these people. You all are witnessing God's love to me during these difficult days.

As the Lenten Season begins--bringing with it the promise of Easter--we revisit Pope Francis' call to conversion in Laudito Si. In many places, our earth, too, cries out for salvation in the face of climate change and environmental degradation. We are an integral ecology, he says, so that we hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. Our Christian faith and our love for the poor compel us to respond to the pope's call to integrate the care of creation in all that we are and all that we do on both personal and communal levels. For we know that things can change. Lent is the perfect time to work on changing ourselves. Each of us is appointed to fulfill a mission only we can do. Wouldn't it be great if we became more confident that this mission would bear fruit that will last beyond this world and even into heaven? That would be an excellent Lent!

SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR MARCH "Heavenly Father, we pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges. May they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action."

Lenten Blessings!



FIRST COMES FAT TUESDAY THEN ASH WEDNESDAY, FOLLOWED BY TEMPTATION THURSDAY.

City Club Newz

Lenten Day of Recollection

Presented by Serra Clubs Vocation Ministries

Saturday, March 12, 2022 8:15 AM - 1:15 PM



Presented by: Fr. Cheeyoon Chun, Parochial Vicar "Final Words from the Cross"

IRISH PRAYER FOR LENT

O Tree of Calvary, send Thy roots deep down into my heart.



Gather together the soil of my heart, the sands of my fickleness, the stones of my stubbornness, the mud of my desires; bind them all together, O Tree of Calvary; interlace them with Thy strong roots;

entwine them with the network

Happy St. Patrick's of Thy love.

MARCH SPEAKER

Fr. Michael Nguyen **MAR 15** Subject:

"My First Year As a Priest"





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the Hearts on Fire Award . . .



. . . and AMERICA MEDIA as our awardee for the Writer's Award in Spirituality. . .



Both awardees exemplify the values of Ignatian spirituality and the commitment to promoting them through their respective communities of influence and professional lives."

Our Serra Clubs have been long-time supporters of the Loyola Institute of Spirituality, and LIS welcomes our support again this year. If you wish, you can become a Hearts on Fire 2022 sponsor. You can find more information on-line at loyolainstitute.org. The live event this year will include opportunities to enjoy entertainment and a live auction. Any donations and sponsorships will be recognized on LIS' event site and on social media platforms. Many of our Serrans have perhaps already received a letter from LIS in regard to sponsorships; however, if you have any questions or would like a copy of the letter, please just request it, or contact Anne Champagne and it will be forwarded to you ASAP.

Please join us on May 5th!

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JOIN WITH POPE FRANCIS IN ARDENT PRAYER FOR PEACE

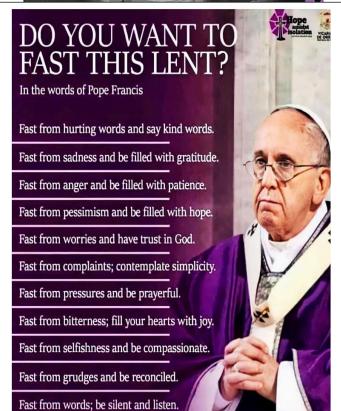
A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.









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2022 Writers Awardees

Yolanda S. Brown, D. Min.

Hearts on Fire Award

America Media

Writer's award in spirituality

Save the Date!

Tickets Available March 18th

Let's Show Serran Support!

Serra, by purchasing tables at their fund raiser Hearts on Fire, has a tradition of faithfully supporting our benefactors and friends at Loyola Institute for Spirituality—as they have so generously supported us. For years they provided us with chaplains for our clubs, speakers at our meetings, and advisors in our activities. Let us once again show our appreciation to them.