



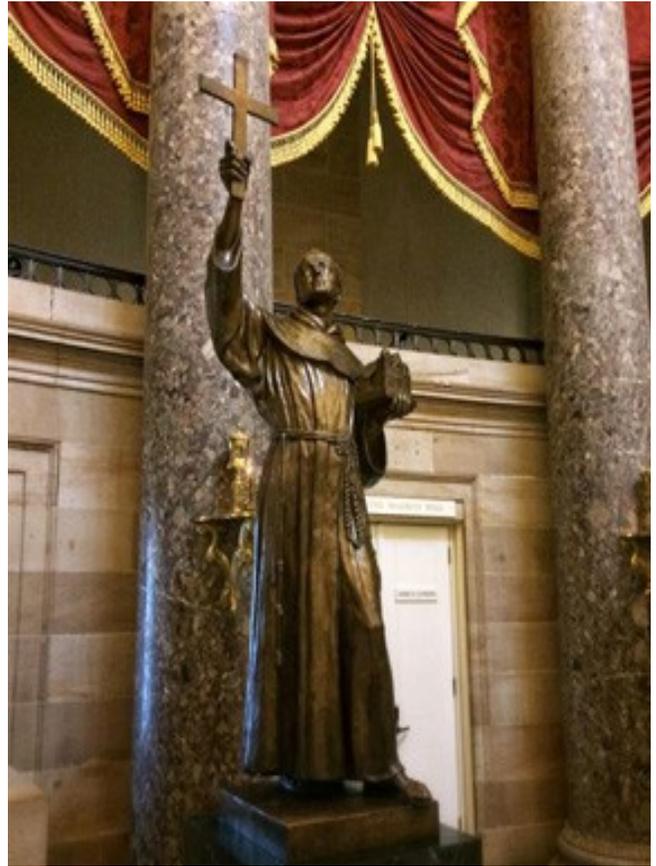
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ORANGE
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Charter #643**

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Fr. Junipero Serra

Prez Sez – Trust



**Beverly Truzzolino
President**

Have you ever received a text or email stating that you need to respond immediately, as the US Government has a lien on your assets? Does your heart pound with fear? What if I forgot something on my tax return, or someone gained access to my bank account?

Hopefully, you say,
Dear Lord, I trust in you, that this is just another

scam, and press delete. The phrase "Fear not" or "Do not be afraid" is cited 365 times in the Bible, once for each day of the year. It seems God wants us to get the message: **SIMPLY TRUST HIM!** He is infinitely loving, compassionate, and concerned for us. He is not cruel or terrifying. The text/email case is quite rudimentary, to illustrate a point and a simple reminder that we need to put trust in God in all moments of our lives; for example, in sickness, loss of a loved one, financial concern, family conflict, and societal secular infiltration. Try to pause when a natural moment of fear arises, place your trust in God, and ask Him to give you the wisdom, faith to follow his path and make good, Godly decisions.



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As the end of 2025 quickly approaches, now is an opportunity to evaluate our spiritual growth as a Serran. Do I trust God? Do I regularly pray for seminarians, priests, and religious? Have I invited someone to be a Serran? Have I asked someone if they have thought about a vocation? Have I reached out to a new Serran and made them feel welcomed? Have I contacted a fellow Serran who may be ill or needs to hear a friendly voice? May the Lord bless you and your families with Peace. May we all place our Trust in Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Peace and Love,
Beverly Truzzolino, President

District Doings – Deacon Francis Ang is Ordained to the Diaconate

On Saturday, December 6 2025, Francis Ang was ordained to the Diaconate at the Christ Cathedral. This special event was even more wonderful due to the fact that Francis’ mother is a member of our Serra Club of Orange County. The Serrans attended and were seated directly in front of two pews of current seminarians. We were able to see Francis’ mother and father, seated directly behind Francis at the Mass and to pray for him along with many of his family members, some of whom had traveled from the Philippines for this blessed event. Francis’ younger brother Travis Ang has also just recently entered the seminary, to discern his call to the priesthood as well!

Both Bishop Kevin Vann and Auxiliary Bishop Timothy Fryer presided at the Mass.

On Sunday, December 7. 2025 there was a Mass of Thanksgiving held at St Boniface Church in Anaheim that was very well attended where both bishops presided as well. Francis has a long history with that parish as he attended school there, and Bishop Timothy Fryer had been the



**Anne Champagne,
Governor, District
#79**

pastor there when Francis was a young man.

The congregation at St Boniface Church was very happy to celebrate his ordination both at Mass and at a beautiful outdoor luncheon which was hosted by his parents.

Margot Ang, Francis and Travis’ mother, was so kind to the Serrans in attendance and seated them with her family and friends, where we got to know one another better.



Please join Deacon Francis Ang and his family in thanking God for Deacon Francis' YES to the call to the priesthood and mark your calendar for his priestly ordination which should take place next June 6, 2026.



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Serran Activities

Catholic Man of the Year Award Ceremony:



Orange Diocese Catholic Men of the Year Nominees

Congratulations to two of our Serrans: Mark Kreyche and Al Jezowski as well as Dan Truzzolino, Beverly Truzzolino’s husband, who were honored as nominees for the Catholic Man of the Year at a gala sponsored by St. Joseph Radio.

The the awards dinner was held Sunday November 9th at the DoubleTree Hotel in Irvine. The dinner honored all our Catholic Men of the Year nominees.

National Vocation Awareness Week November 2

National Vocation Awareness Week is held on the first weekend of November. We built on a recent Priesthood Sunday event at Holy Family Church and St. Cecilia and raised awareness of the Serrans and seized an opportunity to host another

weekend event to encourage vocations by distributing prayer cards and Serra brochures.

Our Serrans at St. Cecilia and Holy Family parishes distributed the Harvest Holy Cards after every Mass. The reception was very positive at both parishes.

Serran Christmas Party



Matt & Nancy Ivary Enjoy a Sunny Party

Serra held its afternoon Christmas Party on Sunday December 14th at George and Shirley Salapski;s house. All had a wonderful time at at the Christmas party The food was delicious, the quiz game and prizes were lots of fun, and we all enjoyed Matt Ivary leading us in Christmas caroling. It was a very enjoyable afternoon, with



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some of our newer members able to attend for the first time.

Attendees also brought gift cards for St Vincent de Paul Society and cash donations for the Santa Ana Life Center April Luncheon.

For those of you that missed the party the questions from the quiz game are attached for your puzzlement and enjoyment.

Priest &. Seminarian Soccer Game

Our Serrans enjoyed an afternoon in the sun at the priest & Seminarian soccer game at St. Jeanne de Lestonnac Sports Facility on November 28th. Priests and Seminarian. Unlike the annual basketball game that pits the seminarians against the priests, the soccer game had mixed teams that proved to very evenly matched. This led to a very exciting match on the pitch the had the Angels beat the Saints 3-2.

Monsignor Sammon Fund Distribution

We are waiting on the County Club Officers to return from trips to finalize the distribution from the Monsignor Sammon Fund for this year distribution to support vocations in the diocese. The timing is running late this year because of delays in the receipt of the annual accounting on the fund. Everything should be finalized early next year.

Vote on Club's Name Change

The the top three name change submissions from members the November meeting were submitted to the members for a vote in December. The top three suggestions were:

- No change (8)
- Serra Club Cities of Orange (6)

- Serra Club Central Orange County (4)

The final vote at the meeting was for no change.

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Melda Arick, Recorder

On November 4th – Most Popular Saints



In lieu of a single speaker Beverly Truzzolino over a session in which all Serrans shared their favorite saint including a short biography and the reason they are special to them. They also brought along a holy card, statue, or relic to add a visual aid

to their sharing. Due to the large crowd and a desire to conclude the meeting before noon we shared at individual tables about our saints.

At the end, one person from each table summarized what was shared. There was a wide variety of saints shared. The most common saints were St. Francis, St. Padre Pio, St. Joseph and St. Theresa, the little Flower.. These saints were in line with the list of the most popular saints that Beverly had reviewed in her opening remarks.

On November 18th – George Brazeal Spoke on the Importance of the Feast of Christ the King

The Feast of Christ the King is the Sunday of November 23rd. George read a bible verse from Philipians talking about the Kingdom of Christ and how we are to love Jesus above all else.



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George Takes the Talk to the People

Each table discussed the following questions and then shared what was discussed.

1. What does kingdom mean to you?
2. What does the Kingdom of God mean to you?
3. How are they different or similar?
4. How are you as a Serran participating in and proclaiming God's Kingdom?

December 2nd -This Advent, No Regrets.



At the December Meeting we watched the prerecorded Advent Presentation of Dr. Edward Sri entitled, "This Advent, No Regrets - 3 Ways to a Deeper Advent", presented by Mark Kreyche.

There are 4 weeks of Advent. The world has been waiting 4000 years for the return of Jesus. We spent 15 minutes discussing 3 questions after we listened to Dr. Sri:

- What do you find stirring in your heart? Running in haste to...?.
- What will you do to deepen your prayer life? Be specific – time and place.
- What can you do as an act of Sacrifice?

Coming Events

USA Council Serra Leadership Rally, St. Louis, MO Jan. 22-24, 2026 -

Serra Leadership Rally Jan. 22–25, 2026 at the Augustine Institute in St. Louis, MO. There will be

- Inspiring speakers.
- Updates from National Board Vice-Presidents
- Hands-on workshops with ideas to bring back to your club
- Everything takes place under one roof, with access to a chapel for Mass, Adoration, Holy Hour, and Rosary.

Registration Details:

- Register at <https://serrastl.org/serra-rally-2026>
- Rally fee: \$250 (charged at registration) Confirmation e-mailed
- Lodging fee: paid at check-in. Confirmation e-mailed later. Room rates: • \$200/night (single) • \$275/night (double), No Taxes
- Each room has One Queen bed with linens, towels, etc. Meals (dinner, breakfast, lunch) are included

Meetings:

- **Tuesday Jan 6, 2025** – St. Cecilia 6:30 AM Mass in the church, followed by a continental breakfast, speaker, and business meeting. (*Note shift to second Tuesday, because of New Year Holiday.*)
- **Tuesday Jan, 20, 2025** – St. Cecilia 6:30 AM Mass in the church, followed by a



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continental breakfast, speaker, and business meeting

- **Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2025** – St. Cecilia 6:30 AM Mass in the church, followed by a continental breakfast, speaker, and business meeting
- **Sunday, Feb. 17, 2025-** St. Cecilia 6:30 AM Mass in the church, followed by a continental breakfast, speaker, and business meeting.

Sat. Feb. 28, 2026 Lenten Morning Reflection
President; Fr. Christopher Smith leading.



Topic: *Lent A Time Of Possibility, Vision And Promise*

Sunday, March 15, 2026, St. John’s Seminary Visit. Mass at 11AM. followed by lunch and a tour. Transportation will be decided at a later date.

Happy Birthday

Name	Month	Day
Ann Yates	Nov.	23
Nancy Ivary	Dec.	3
Eileen McAuliffe	Dec.	9
Patty Baer	Dec.	11

Prayer List

Deceased

Nancy’s brother, Kent Davis, passed away December 2nd. With deepest condolences, our hearts go out to Nancy, Matt, and their family for their loss. Please pray for the repose of Kent's soul and peace for their family.

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Michael Feeney and for his family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Wally Drazba and for his family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jane Virgilio (County Club) and for her family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jen Mauson and for her family
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Marge Turk and for her family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bob Moore and for his family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Charlie McCarthy and for his family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bob DeFeo and for his family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Messerschmidt and for her family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul Dan Phalanx (father in law of Deacon Bill) and for his family.
- Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Bible and for his family.

Sick

Please pray for the intentions and speedy recovery of:

Kathy Le Duc, Tom Arick, Deacon Bill Weeks, Mary’s Kitchen, Kathy Robinson, Jeanne Warren, Dan McKelvie, Nancy Ivary, Maureen Renden, Maureen Neglia, Brion Baer, Susan Murphy, personal intention of The Keatings, Sister Virtue,



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Seminarian Alvin Huynh, and our Serran travelers.

may be fed with the light of your truths. We make this our prayer today.
Amen.

2025-26 Officer Roster

Officer	Name
Gov. District PA79:	Anne Champagne
President:	Beverly Truzzolino
President Elect:	Mark Kreyche
Treasurer:	Matt Ivary
Programs:	Mark Kreyche
Vocations	Carol & Phil Frank
Membership:	Anne Champagne & Patty Baer
Newsletter:	James Dazé
Recorder:	Melda Arick
Correspondence:	Brigid Noonan
Publicity	Angie Brazeal
Hospitality:	Loretta Callopy
Hispanic	Luis Morones
Ambassador:	
Trustees:	John Le Duc, Maureen Neglia & Sister Louise Ann Micek, CSJ
Ad Hoc. Committee:	Georgia Mottl, Maureen Neglia, Loretta Callopy, Rosemarie Tsutsumi, Anne Champagne.
Chaplain:	Deacon Bill Weeks
Spiritual Advisor:	TBD

Prayer to Find A New Spiritual Advisor

Heavenly Father,

We seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in this matter. May He grant us His wisdom to search out a member of your Kingdom to serve in this capacity for our organization. Help us to select a spiritual candidate on fire for your Church passionate about serving it well. Enable them to make herself known quickly so that our members