



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



In this "Year of Mercy" we have had numerous events for which we can count our blessings: the World Day of Prayer; a special Mass for Consecrated Life; our Serran Priest Appreciation and Seminarian dinners; and the Archdiocese Vocations Rally for grade school youth.

I am amazed how uplifted my spirits are following each event and I ask myself: "What makes being a Serran so special?" Simply said, it is the love of Christ that permeates each gathering. The love of Christ is in those who have responded to their sacramental vocational callings and who give their all to Christ for the good of the Church. Equally as important, each and every Serran exudes Christ's love in their passion for vocations and in the lenses of love through which they see the world. They give so much of their lives for the good of our universal Church.

Christ is merciful and has certainly blessed us with a gift of this vocational community we call Serra: faithful Catholics who always go forward; who give their all for the love of Christ and our Church.

Mary, pray for us!

Paul Harris, President Portland Serra Club



Ordination Anniversaries



MAY

5/04 Rev. Justus Alaeto
 5/05 Rev. Joseph Heuberger
 5/05 Rev. Richard Thompson
 5/06 Rev. Patrick McNamee
 5/09 Rev. Harry Holwell
 5/09 Rev. Neil Moore
 5/16 Rev. Kelly Vandehey
 5/17 Rev. Joseph Hoang
 5/18 Rev. Jeffery Eirvin
 Rev. Damian Kobus, OSM
 Rev. David Shaw
 5/23 Rev. Michael Patrick
 5/23 Rev. Richard Sirianni
 5/24 Rev. Theodore Frison
 5/24 Rev. Kenneth Hume
 5/26 Rev. Matthew Libra
 5/28 Rev. Michael Lau
 5/30 Rev. John Donato, CSC

5/01 Rev. Joseph Hau Duc Nguyen
 5/07 Rev. Brian Allbright
 5/10 Rev. Msgr. Dennis O'Donovan
 Rev. Cosmas White OSB
 5/11 Rev. Rock Sassano
 5/12 Rev. Frank Knusel
 5/13 Rev. David Cullings
 5/14 Rev. Patrick Donoghue
 Rev. Jack Mosbrucker
 Rev. James Rigert, CSC
 Rev. Scott Vandehey
 5/15 Rev. Leslie Sieg
 5/18 Rev. Donald McHugh
 Rev. Msgr. Charles Lienert
 Rev. John Betts
 Rev. Joseph Beno
 5/19 Rev. Robert W. Krueger
Most Rev. Kenneth Steiner
 Rev. John Brouillard
 5/20 Rev. Msgr. Timothy Murphy
 5/21 Rev. John McGrann
 Rev. Theodore R. Weber

MAY

5/21 Rev. Philip Waibel OSB
 Rev. Neil J. Moore
 Rev. Elwin Schwab
 5/22 Rev. Karl Schray
 Rev. Roy Antunez SJ
 Rev. Gerald Quintal
 Rev. Gary Jacobson
 5/23 Rev. Dale Waddill
 Rev. Louis Urbanski
 Rev. Edward D. Altstock
 5/24 Rev. James Dieringer
 5/25 Rev. Bruce D. Brown
 Rev. Kenneth Hume
 Rev. Jack Krall
 Rev. David Janes
 5/27 Rev. David Gutmann
 Rev. J. Michael Morrissey
 Rev. Michael Sprauer
 5/28 Rev. William Hund, CSC
 5/29 Rev. Theodore Prentice
 Rev. Sean Weeks
 5/30 Rev. Vincent Cuniff
 5/31 Rev. Michael Biewend

Support our Priests
 Send a card
 Say a Prayer



SERRA CLUB'S ANNUAL PORTLAND ARCHDIOCESE SEMINARIAN DINNER



On the evening of March 5th the Serra Club hosted a dinner for the Portland Archdiocese Seminarians and their families. As Serrans, we look forward to mingling with the Seminarians and their families. It's our opportunity to show our appreciation to these young men who dedicate their lives to our Lord. It's wonderful to see their growth, from their first year at Mount Angel to their last year. The Seminarians and their families always enjoy the camaraderie and dinner and expressed their appreciation for all the support and prayers from the Serra Club members.



9th ANNUAL VOCATIONS RALLY

A Vocation Rally provides an opportunity for sixth grade students to spend a day to learn more about and have interaction with priests, brothers and sisters. All religious communities are invited and many participate. Our Archdioceses 9th Annual Vocations Rallies were held at Queen of Peace in Salem on Wednesday, March 16th and St. Anthony's in Tigard on Thursday, March 17. Below are photos from the Vocation Rally at St. Anthony's where approximately 450 students participated. The students started the day with music, games and interaction with Vocations Director, Fr. Jeff Eirvin. Then they divide into three groups and attend each of the following: (1) a panel discussion which included a priest, seminarian and a religious sister; (2) a talk by



Seminarians from Mount Angel helped direct traffic as the students attended their sessions



Students gathered in auditorium for music to kickoff the rally!



Students gathered in auditorium for music and games



Students listened to religious sharing their faith and visited their display booths!



Serrans, Youth Director and Seminarians enjoy lunch!



Franciscan Missionary Sisters of our Lady of Sorrows booth!

RECAPS

March 2 - Patrick Ryan was just recently hired to fill the position of Executive Director of Mater Dei Catholic Radio. He comes to Portland from Relevant Radio in Austin, Texas where he served as Director of Communications. Oregon Catholic Radio is known for its dynamic employees and he had a strong desire to become a part of the Oregon Catholic network.

His goal is to elevate the local shows. He plans to add Matthew Kelly's programs as well as presenting some of our local Masses with their dynamic speakers.

Catholic radio attracts an audience that is double the median age in Portland, which is 36. Patrick plans to engage listeners of all ages whether they be Catholic or not. Father Jeff Eirvin will have a weekly show designed to engage young Catholics as they go through a discernment process in their lives. The theme will be "Always Forward, Never Back".

The primary goal of the programming on Mater Dei radio will be to continue to strive for a high quality station that speaks to the heart of its listeners. The plan is to expand Dina Marie Hale's "Morning Show" so that it will be heard throughout the West Coast.

Patrick indicated that he will get out in the community to thank them and to encourage them to spend time listening to Catholic radio.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SPRING LEADERSHIP PLANNING CONFERENCE

Region 12 Spring Leadership Planning Conference (SLPC) for all **incoming officers** is scheduled for **Friday April 29 to Sunday May 1 in Vancouver, WA at Marriott TownePlace Suites.**

This conference is a unique training opportunity for all officers, trustees and members. Special workshops will provide you with a sound understanding of your role as a part of the Serra Region 12 Leadership Team.

Archdiocese of Portland - 81st Annual Seminary Tea

The annual tea will be held Wednesday, April 27 from 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the Portland Golf Club located at 5900 SW Scholls Ferry Road. Admission fee is \$35. All funds raised benefit Archdiocesan Seminarian Education.

To make reservations please call Mary Kay Beaudoin, 503-297-2994

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

If we have no charity and no tolerance, we shall never settle our differences

Mahatma Gandhi



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SERRA MEETINGS

April 6, 2016

Board Meeting 10:30

Lunch/Meeting

PROGRAM: Marvin Kaiser, Executive Director of Mary's Woods

April 20, 2016

Mass Noon

Lunch/Meeting

PROGRAM: Matt Cato, Director of Archdiocese Office of Life, Justice and Peace

May 4, 2016

Board Meeting 10:30

Lunch/Meeting

PROGRAM: Sister Maria Gabriel Standfield, Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows

May 18, 2106

**NEW MEMBERSHIP DRIVE
SPECIAL LUNCHEON**

11:30 Social

Noon Lunch

PROGRAM: Father Jeff Eirvin, Chaplain

June 1, 2016

Board Meeting 10:30

Lunch/Meeting

INSTALLATION NEW OFFICERS

PROGRAM: Sister Mary Jo Chaves, Franciscan Spiritual Center

June 15, 2016

Mass Noon

Lunch/Meeting

PROGRAM: Paul Hogan, Jesuit High School Principal

SPECIAL EVENTS

Fri-Sun, April 29 - May 1, 2016

**Spring Leadership Planning
Conference - Vancouver, WA**

Sunday, April 17, 2016

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Sunday, May 21, 2016 11:00 am

**Diaconate Ordination
St. Mary's Cathedral**

Saturday, June 4, 2016 11:00 am

**Archdiocese Priest Ordination
St. Mary's Cathedral**