



SERRA CLUB OF PORTLAND BULLETIN

President's Message



The feast of Junipero Serra calls all Serrans to reflect on who he really was as a person and to aspire, as he did, in doing all for the love of God, our Church, and fellow man. Several of the articles I recently read portrayed Junipero Serra as a man of deep faith – deeply educated in the teachings of the Church and having a passionate missionary zeal. He totally detached himself from earthly material needs, and fully dedicated himself to saving souls.

During his missionary travels in Mexico and in Old California he endured pain, disease, injury, long overland treks, isolation, and suffering, in order to serve others. One author, in particular, noted that Junipero Serra had tremendous dedication and strength of purpose. He was undeterred by military commanders, almost insurmountable physical challenges, and the austerity of life in a remote land.

Another author indicated that he was a very caring and forgiving person. For example, after the burning of the mission at San Diego and the killing of some brother priests, Junipero Serra protected and demanded the Indians be treated fairly and not be killed. One could say that Junipero Serra treated the Indians and others with the same love as a father would have for his sons and daughters. And finally, another author noted that Serra was humble, never concerned with his own achievements or the honors given to him. He was only interested in doing his spiritual work. If someone else got the credit, he was not concerned. The author went on to say that “this was an act of extraordinary virtue, extraordinary generosity”. He (i.e. Serra) was very big-hearted in his love for the Indians, in his love for his work and his dedication to this work. He had very pure intentions.

Now, as I look back on my reading what do I see? I see Serrans – Serrans everywhere embracing the missionary zeal of Blessed Junipero Serra in promoting and affirming vocations to the consecrated and religious life. Thank you all, for what you do for the Church!

Paul Harris, President



Birthdays

AUGUST

- 8/1 Rev. Raymond Carey
- 8/3 Rev. Stephen Clovis
Rev. Nicolaus Marandu, ALCP
- 8/8 Rev. Mark Poorman, CSC
- 8/9 Rev. Karl Schray
- 8/12 Rev. Robert Antonelli, CSC
Rev. Joseph Hung Nguyen
- 8/13 Rev. Paschal Ezurike
Rev. Amancio Rodrigues
- 8/15 Rev. William Hund, CSC
- 8/16 Rev. Claude Pomerleau, CSC
- 8/21 Rev. James Galluzzo
Rev. Msgr. James Ninh Pham
- 8/25 Rev. L. Michael Pope, SJ
- 8/28 Rev. William Moisant
Rev. Robert Barricks

Ordination

Anniversaries

AUGUST

- 8/15 Rev. Raymond Carey
Rev. Timothy Mockaitis
- 8/19 Rev. Theodore Frison
Rev. Todd Molinari
- 8/24 Rev. James Galluzzo
- 8/26 Rev. James Clifford, OSA
Rev. Paschal Ezurike
- 8/28 Rev. Michael Maslowsky
Rev. Paul Thomas, OSB



ANNUAL PORTLAND SERRA CLUB MASS AT THE GROTTO HONORING DEACONS AND WIVES

The Annual Mass at the Grotto is scheduled for **Sunday, July 26 at noon, with lunch following at 1:15 p.m.** Cost is \$25 per person and guests are welcome! All Permanent Deacons and their wives are guests of the Portland Serra Club. This is always a wonderful mass and fabulous luncheon. Our newest formation club in Southwest, Salem-Keizer and Columbia River Clubs are invited and encouraged to attend!!

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MEETING RECAPS

June 3, 2015- Andrew Noethe is a native of Middleburg, Indiana. He graduated from the University of Notre Dame and also obtained a Masters degree in non-profit organizations from Notre Dame. He also obtained a Masters degree in Business Administration from the University of Portland. While attending the University of Portland he spent much of his time working with the intellectually disabled and the marginalized. In 2009 the Congregation of the Holy Cross presented him with the Spirit of the Holy Cross award for his work with the poor and disabled at St. Andre' Bessette Parish in Portland.

Mr. Noethe is a member of L'Arche (French for "the Ark"). L'Arche provides resident care for the disabled. The community in Portland established two homes in the Montavilla neighborhood. The Portland Archdiocese gave them the seed money to start these communities in 1987.

L'Arche is a resident care housing facility. It is supported through state funding (60%) and fund raising (40%). It is incorporated as a community-based non-profit organization. Their doors are open to all who are intellectually disabled. L'Arche is a place for relationships. Those that serve as caregivers in the community become real leaders in providing social work. In L'Arche all are called to love. The Portland community of L'Arche lives out and promotes the following ideals: (1) Make known the gifts that people with intellectual disabilities bring to the community. (2) Foster an environment in the community that responds to the changing needs of our members, while being faithful in the core values of our founding story. (3) Engage in our diverse cultures, working together toward a more humane society.

A day in the life of the L'Arche Community

6:00 A.M. Community prepares to go to a vocation site. Morning is devoted to weekly formations.
 Noon Return from vocation sites for lunch
 1:00 P.M. Members participate in voluntary activities.
 6:00 P.M. Dinner together.
 7:00 P.M. Sing, pray & review the day

For more information about L'Arche: www.larche-portland.org

INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS 2015-16

President	Paul Harris	Past President	Dean Petitt
Secretary	Monique Harris	VP Communications	Margret Harris
VP Membership	Dick Safranski	VP Programs	Jodi Kilcup
VP Vocations	Art Diederich	Treasurer	Ed O'Hanlon
One-Year Trustee	Quenton Czuba	Two-Year Trustee	Robert Turner
Three-Year Trustee	Ken Harris	Webmaster	Lynn Jones

The installation of new officers occurred at the June 3 meeting. Congratulations to all our dedicated officers. There is an OPEN position for President-Elect. We are in need of someone to fill that spot!

June 17, 2015 - Kate Le Blanc from Contemplative Outreach was our guest speaker. She shared the method of centering prayer. There are three ways to pray: Vocal, Meditation, Contemplative. There are five types of prayer: Adoration, Petition, Intercession, Thanksgiving, Praise. The intent of Contemplative Outreach is to foster the process of Transformation in Christ in one another through the practice of Centering Prayer. "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." Lk 10:27

Contemplative Prayer was founded by Benedictine Monks. In 1971, at a meeting of Trappist Superiors in Rome Pope Paul VI invoked the spirit of Vatican II by declaring unless the Church rediscovered the contemplative tradition, renewal could not take place. He called upon the monastics, because they lived the contemplative life, to help the laity and those in other religious orders bring the dimension into their lives as well.

Contemplative prayer is a gift to which we dispose ourselves by resting attentively before Christ. It involves hearing and obeying God's Word. It is a time of silent listening and love. Goal: Live an ordinary life with extraordinary love. Psalm 46: "Be Still and Know that I Am God"

Contemplative Outreach of Portland can be found on Facebook and Twitter. Their website:

www.contemplativeoutreachportland.com



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

CLUB MEETINGS

July 1, 2015

Board Meeting 10:30
Lunch/Meeting Noon

NEW MEMBER INDUCTION
Special Charter Day 78th Anniversary Celebration

July 15, 2015

Mass Noon
Lunch/Meeting

PROGRAM: Fr. John Kerns, Our Lady of the Lake, "Rebuilt"

August 5, 2015

Board Meeting 10:30
Lunch/Meeting Noon

PROGRAM: Heidi Franklin, Board Chair, Spiritual Exercises in Every Day Life

August 19, 2015

Mass Noon
Lunch/Meeting

PROGRAM: Cheri Crocker, Pregnancy Support Centers & Fr. Taaffe, Homes for single moms

Sept 2, 2015

Board Meeting 10:30
Lunch/Meeting Noon

PROGRAM: Jeanne Haster, Jesuit Volunteer Corps Northwest

Sept 16, 2015

Mass Noon
Lunch/Meeting

PROGRAM: Paul and Monique Harris, Teams of our Lady

October 7, 2015

Board Meeting 10:30
Lunch/Meeting Noon

PROGRAM: Dan/Lynn Jones, Fr. Jeff Eirvin, Jim/Terry O'Hanlon - Report on Canonization of Junipero Serra.

October 21, 2015

Mass Noon
Lunch/Meeting

PROGRAM: Claude Karam, Sacred Heart Monastery

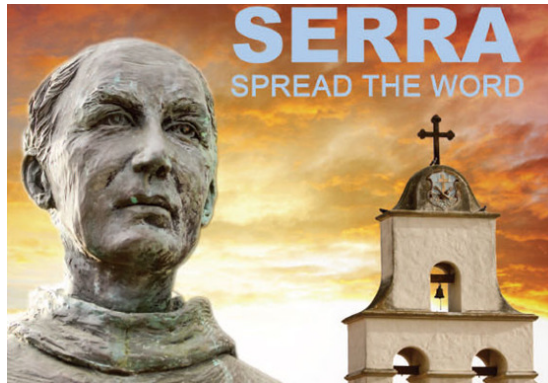


PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!



USAC Grand Rapid's Executive Committee Meeting June 2015
Changing of the Guards - Presidential Line up (L to R)
President Elect Greg Schwietz
Current President John Osterhart
Past President Bob Labat
Past Past President Dan Jones

UPCOMING EVENTS



Blessed Father Junipero Serra will be canonized by Pope Francis on September 23, 2015 in Washington DC

There has never been a better time to share our important vocations mission and organization, named after Father Serra, with the world!

SPECIAL EVENTS

July 26, 2015

Annual Mass at Grotto - Noon
HONORING DEACONS/WIVES
Lunch 1:15 p.m.

July 30 - Aug 2, 2015

Serra International Convention - Melbourne, Australia

Sept 27, 2015

Kevin Van Hoomissen Honorary Sisters' Appreciation Luncheon
Double Tree/Lloyd Center

October 25, 2015

Priesthood Sunday

Nov 1, 2015

12th Annual Mount Angel Seminarian Benefit Dinner

Nov 1-7, 2015

National Vocations Awareness Week

Dec 2, 2015

Annual Christmas Party

SAVE THE DATE:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
2015 PORTLAND SERRA CLUB
Kevin Van Hoomissen Honorary
SISTERS' APPRECIATION LUNCHEON
Double Tree - Lloyd Center

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

All humanity is involved in a simple process, and all men are brothers. To the degree that I harm my brother, no matter what he is doing to me, to that extent I am harming myself.

Martin Luther King

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