

SERRA CLUB OF PORTLAND BULLETIN



*Support our Priests
Send a card—Say a Prayer
Let them know that we care*

JUNE Birthdays



6/01	Rev. Panner Selvam
6/06	Rev. Patrick Brennan Rev. Michael Vuky
6/09	Rev. Patrick Donoghue Rev. Michael Maslowsky Rev. John Murphy, SJ
6/14	Rev. James Mayo
6/15	Rev. Peter Byrne, SJ Rev. Charles Wood
6/19	Rev. Louis Urbanski
6/20	Rev. Herbert Wheatley
6/23	Rev. James Coleman
6/25	Rev. J. Brendan Fleming
6/26	Rev. David Schiferl
6/29	Rev. Frank Knusel

ORDINATIONS

On Saturday June 4 four men will be ordained as priests by Archbishop John Vlazny at St. Mary Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 11 a.m. Those being ordained are:

Rev. Mr. Mark Gikenyi
Rev. Mr. O. Bryce McProud
Rev. Mr. Jesus Angelo Te
Rev. Mr. Joseph Nhat Hoang Dang

Three of the four (Mark Gikenyi, O. Bryce McProud, and Jesus Angelo Te) will be ordained for the Archdiocese of Portland. Joseph Nhat Hoang Dang will be ordained for the Domus Dei Society of Apostolic Life.

Our prayers are with all whom are soon to be ordained. **Congratulations and God Bless!**

IN REMEMBRANCE

It is with deepest sympathy we share the news of the loss of fellow Serran, Kevin Van Hoomissen. Kevin passed away after a long illness on Friday, May 20 at home. Kevin & his wife, Peggy, have been faithful and active Serrans — Kevin joining in 1987 and Peggy in 2004. He will be greatly missed by all.

Memorial Mass will be held at St. Pius X on Thursday, June 2 at 11 a.m. with the Rosary at 10:30 a.m.

Our prayers are with Peggy and family.



President's Message

WOW !! We had almost 70 attendees at our May 18 meeting, which was designed to include many potential new members for Serra . The attendees included Archbishop John Vlazny, Reverend Don Buxman, Reverend Lucas Laborde (St. Patrick's pastor), approximately 20 potential new Serrans , and many of our Serra members. There was a social hour, which preceded the delicious baked ziti lunch provided by Steve, our wonderful caterer. Then each of the potential Serrans was introduced by the member who had invited him/her to this meeting. I was then allowed to make a presentation on what is the purpose of our Serra club and a description of some of our many activities.

The final minutes of the meeting were filled with good news, shared with us by our Archbishop. He related that on May 21 nine men would be ordained transitional deacons (hopefully to be priests next year). In June 4 men will be ordained priests for the archdiocese and in June of 2012 there are at least 10 men scheduled for ordination. Another encouraging sign of increased vocations is that there are 15 men who are seriously considering entering Mt. Angel Seminary this fall. All of these men would be studying for our Portland archdiocese.

Hopefully all of you who brought one or more prospects to the meeting will continue to communicate with them about becoming Serrans. Two of the prospects signed up at the conclusion of our meeting. The "iron is hot" and it is time "to strike!"

Blessed Junipero Serra, Pray for Us!

Ken Harris, President

JUNE - Ordination Anniversaries

6/1	Rev. Nicolaus Marandu	6/13	Rev. John Cihak
6/2	Rev. Bruce Cwiekowski Rev. David Orique, OP Rev. Charles Zach		Rev. Mariano Escano Rev. David Jaspers Rev. Theodore Lange Rev. Thomas Layton Rev. Jeffrey McDougall, SJ Rev. Cary Reniva Rev. Herbert Wheatley
6/4	Very Rev. Richard Paperini Rev. William Ryan, OSA	6/14	Rev. Peter Byrne, SJ Rev. William E. Hayes, SJ
6/5	Rev. Thomas Yurchak	6/16	Rev. James R. Conyard, SJ Rev. Thomas McCarthy, SJ Rev. Brian Mullady, OP Rev. Thomas R. Royce, SJ
6/6	Rev. Thomas McGreevy, OP	6/17	Rev. James Dowd Rev. Edward McTigue, SJ
6/7	Rev. Luan Nguyen Rev. Kenneth Sampson	6/18	Rev. Patrick Stewart, SJ
6/9	Rev. David Brown Rev. David Clark Rev. Jeffrey Meeuwesen Rev. William Moisant Rev. Ronald Nelson Rev. Henry Rufo Rev. David Schiferl Rev. Peter Smith Rev. James Stange Rev. Richard Thompson	6/19	Rev. James Mayo Rev. Paul Peri Rev. John Waldron
6/10	Rev. John Flannery, OP Rev. Steve Geer Very Rev. Patrick J. Lee, SJ Rev. David Shaw	6/20	Rev. Partick McNamee
6/11	Rev. Joseph Betschart Rev. Patrick J. Conroy, SJ Rev. Noel Hickie Rev. Peter O'Brien Rev. Michael Walker	6/21	Rev. Paul H. Grubb, SJ Rev. John V. Murphy, SJ
6/12	Rev. Joseph Hoang Rev. John Ridgway, SJ Rev. Richard Rossman Rev. Lawrence Robinson, SJ	6/22	Rev. Vincent Benoit, OP Rev. Cathal Brennan Rev. John Kerns Rev. J. Brendan Fleming
6/13	Rev. Eric Anderson Rev. Fred Anthony Rev. Don Buxman	6/23	Rev. James Coleman Rev. Msgr. Richard Hunegar Rev. John J. Morris, SJ
		6/24	Rev. Joel K. Adams, SJ
		6/25	Rev. Robert Barricks Rev. Luan Tran
		6/29	Rev. Craig S. Boly, SJ Rev. Kevin T. Clarke, SJ Rev. John Henderson OFM Rev. Joseph S. McMahon

PROGRAM RECAPS

April 20, 2011 - Sister Charlene Herinckx, Superior General of St. Mary of Oregon shared with Serrans the Sisters "Celebration of their 125th year". Sister Charlene introduced Laurie Litmer, a graduate of St. Mary of the Valley High School (currently working in the finance office), who narrated the presentation. Laurie was dressed as Mother Wilhelmina, who left Ohio in 1843 with Missionaries of the Precious Blood ending up in Jordan, Oregon in 1884. Mother Wilhelmina made her first profession of Sisters in 1887 and was elected the first Superior General in 1888. The Sisters are the only Catholic religious community founded in the state of Oregon.

As part of the 12th year since the founding of this community, they will be holding a jubilee Mass honoring their deceased sisters on Monday, May 30 at 1 PM in the convent chapel. A memorial service in the cemetery will follow. Friends and family of the sisters are welcome.

May 4, 2011 - Our speaker was Father Richard Ganz, S.J. His topic was "What can the laity do to promote vocations?" He indicated that we all need to formulate in our own mind what a good priest would look like and that it is important that we are able to identify the qualities needed in a candidate. However, Father Ganz emphatically urged that we be careful about developing a stereotype of the image of a potential priest.

We must remember that St. Paul couldn't figure out why the Jewish people, when God answered their request to send them a savior, could not recognize Him when He was standing right in front of them. They missed Him. Why? Because He didn't meet their image of what the high priest, the savior, would look like.

In conclusion Father Ganz let it be known that priests come in all different packages. He encourage us to, not only pray for vocations, but also to step up and foster an atmosphere in our Catholic society that encourages men and women to choose the religious life.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNUAL PORTLAND SERRA CLUB MASS AT GROTTO

The Annual Mass at Grotto is scheduled for **Sunday July 24 at noon, with lunch following at 1:15 p.m.** Cost is \$20 per person and guests are welcome! RSVP by July 16th to either Don Shaw at 503-639-5215 or Ed Watkins at 503-223-9355. Salem-Keizer and Columbia River Clubs are invited and encouraged to attend!!

SAVE THE DATE - REGION 12 CONVENTION

Friday, September 30 to Sunday, October 2, 2011

"VOCATIONS FOR SERVICE OF GOD AND COUNTRY"

Keynote Speaker: Archbishop Timothy Broglio, AMS

Mass on Saturday at Historic Holy Rosary Church, Tacoma

Registration packets will be mailed to Club Presidents in July
LaQuinta Inn—Tacoma, WA
Special Rate of \$95/night



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Now it is our turn; and all ministering spirits keep silence and look on. Oh let not your foot slip, or your eye be false, or your ear dull, or your attention flagging! Be not dispirited; be not afraid; keep a good heart; be bold; draw not back; you will be carried through...Oh children of a heavenly Father, be not afraid!

John Henry Cardinal Newman

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS



SERRA MEETINGS

June 1, 2011

Board Meeting 10:30
Lunch/Meeting Noon

Installation of New Officers

PROGRAM: Art Diederich—The Trinity
"unmasked"

June 15, 2011

Mass Noon

New Member Induction

Special Lunch **74th Anniversary**

CHARTER DAY CELEBRATION

(Official date is June 19, 1937)

July 6, 2011

Board Meeting 10:30
Lunch/Meeting Noon

PROGRAM: TBD

July 20, 2011

Mass Noon

Lunch/Meeting

PROGRAM: TBD

SPECIAL EVENTS

May 30, 2011

Sisters of St. Mary's of Oregon Jubilee
Memorial Mass at convent chapel 1 PM

June 4, 2011

Ordinations— St. Mary's Cathedral of
the Immaculate Conception

June 3-5, 2011

USAC Annual Meeting/Super Weekend
Chicago

June 19, 2011 74th Anniversary
Portland Club Charter Day (1937)

July 1, 2011

Feast of Blessed Juniper Serra

July 24, 2011

Annual Mass at Grotto Noon
Lunch 1:15

August 1, 2011

*Please Pray for
vocations daily.
Promote vocations
in your parish!*

