The Newsletter of the Saint Paul Serra Club, St. Paul, Minnesota

OCTOBER 2016 Issue

Region #8 District #7

Club #9 (1940)

## **President's Message**

Debbie Koop

# Inspired to Work in Our Parishes Promoting Vocations

Judy Cozzens spoke at our club on September 19 and if you missed it, you missed being inspired. Mrs. Cozzens is a passionate speaker when it comes to vocations. As the current Vice-president of Vocations for the USA Council of Serra International, she explained to us the 5-Star program. She listed parishes in St. Paul and challenged us (approx. 20 members in attendance) to sign up to cover one parish with another person. At the end of the hour, twelve people signed up to cover seven parishes. That's a fabulous response!

What is the 5-Star program? (Look for the step by step guide on page 6) **Two Serrans** meet with the pastor "to discuss ways to create a climate in the parish that may identify vocations to priesthood or religious life." We always go two by two like Jesus' disciples. The 5-star program brochures list the ways this can happen such as bulletin announcements (available on the Serra website) or a holy hour for vocations or the 31 club or a traveling chalice. (continued)

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#### President's Message

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Maybe the pastor will agree to insert a vocation prayer at the end of each Sunday mass or allow your parish to celebrate priestly and religious vocations on the dates designated. It's easy. The 5-star program will begin the process of creating a culture of vocations in all of our parishes.

We still have openings in about 35 parishes for members to approach a pastor to begin the 5-star program. Is God calling you to begin this program in your parish? You could also do it in another parish near you where we don't have members. Give our VP for vocations, Al Eiden, a call if you want more information or need a partner to help you (651)451-0436). We will find someone to partner with you.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**OCTOBER 3**<sup>RD</sup> Dinner at the Binz with **NEW DEACONS.** 5pm Prayer Service in Chapel, 5:30 Dinner /Program in Binz Refectory

OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup> 7pm Rosary Procession

OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup> St. Paul Serra hosts Team Vianney at 7PM at SJV Seminary. Please bring cookies/bars. Mary E. 651.552.9497

# **OCTOBER 17**<sup>TH</sup> Archbishop Hebda at

**SPS**, 11:35 am Mass St. Mary's Chapel, lunch/ program follows at Binz. Invite Pastor/Friends (continued p7)



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VISION Vocation Guide....resource of the National Religious Vocation Conference. VocationNewtwork.org VocationMatch.com

In the front yard of a Funeral Home:

"Drive carefully, we'll wait."

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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November 4<sup>th</sup>, First Friday Morning Meeting will be at St. Joseph's Church, WSP, 7:30 Mass, light breakfast and fellowship

**November 21<sup>st</sup>, Monday, SPS and Binz Refectory**Greg Pulles, photographer and author of Sacred Places:
Rediscovering the Churches of Rome.

November 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> Serral Retreat 2016 Christ the King Retreat Center

December 2<sup>nd</sup>, Friday – Town & Country Club ANNUAL SERRA LUNCHEON to honor priests and religious. Invite your pastor or favorite religious.

JANUARY 9<sup>TH</sup>, MONDAY

(second Monday change) Speaker TBA

**FEBRUARY 20<sup>TH</sup>, MONDAY** Speaker is - Bob Labat

MARCH 13<sup>th</sup>, MONDAY (second Monday change)

Speaker is - Monsignor Callaghan

APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>, MONDAY

(second Monday change) Speaker is TBA

**MAY 15<sup>th</sup>, MONDAY** Speaker is TBA

JUNE MONDAY LUNCHEON possibly at Marian Center

# SEMINARY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION [walk-ins welcomed]

Adoration hours are 7:30am to 5:00pm in the small chapel inside St. Mary's Chapel with a break between 11:30am and 1:00 pm. Adorers commit to one-hour shifts and at least two people are needed for each hour. The schedule coincides with the academic calendar for the University of St. Thomas. All are invited to celebrate Mass with the seminary community at 11:35am. To sign up for this beautiful way to support our priests and seminarians, call Teresa Lodoen at 952-707-0539.

#### ---MEMBERSHIP---

## PRAY TO SAINT JUNIPERO SERRA FOR HELP WITH MEMBERSHIP

As I begin to compose my membership article for the October issue of our St. Paul Serra newsletter it is hard to believe that it has already been a year since Father Junipero Serra was canonized as a saint by Pope Francis last September 23<sup>rd</sup> in Washington D.C. I was honored to be at such an important event, one for which Serrans throughout the world had been praying for many years. One thing concerns me, however, and that is whether we as Serrans now consider that with the canonization of Father Serra much of our work as Serrans, including membership, is now done and that we can leave much the rest up to God and Saint Serra.

Well, the answer is that this cannot be the case if we, as Serrans, expect to encourage new priests and religious to carry out the needs of our church and its members. I can remember the words of one of the songs in our church's hymnal that declared that "good things happen when God mixes with us." This is certainly true since it seems that more often than not God works through his people rather than unilaterally taking action to obtain a particular outcome.

Regarding club membership, and although none of us are getting any younger, God is expecting us to help increase the membership of our club based on our present ability, even though it might not be quite as high as it was in the past. We can still encourage friends, relatives, neighbors, co-workers, fellow parishioners, members of senior groups, and other acquaintances to join the St. Paul Serra Club and to help out by doing God's work. Increasing membership is critically important to our club, but with our own reasonable efforts supported by prayers to Saint Serra we can be successful in making good things happen for our Serra club.

Gary Davis—Vice President of Membership.

#### **VOCATIONS VOICE**

Judy and Al Eiden

## Vocations are everybody's business.

## **Five Star Program**

You are invited to join Serrans from our club in the District wide program to introduce the Serra "Five Star" program for vocations into our parishes. At present Mary Jean Loomis and Lolly Santoski have selected to contact -Nativity of Our Lord parish; Deb Koop and Barb Schultz - St. Rita; Jeff Howe - Cathedral of St. Paul; Gary Davis - St. Pius X; Kathleen Randolph and Mary Egging- St. Peter's; and Mke Smeby and Al Eiden - St. John Vianney (St. Joseph WSP has a program in place) There are many more parishes available. More details about the program are described elsewhere in this letter. We have kits available to assist you. We recommend you team with at least one other person if possible to make your visit with the pastor of the parish you choose.

Priesthood Sunday and National Vocations Awareness Week.

# **Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup> Priesthood Sunday**

A time to recognize your pastor/assistants/deacon for their dedicated ministry to the church.

## **National Vocations Awareness week**

It began in 1976 at the direction of the National Council of Catholic Bishops. It is a time to actively proclaim the "Good News" in our lives. There is information and suggested activities for both observances on the National Serra Web site or we can provide you with help aids. Please consider planning some recognition of these opportunities with staff members in your parish.

#### (stpaulserraclub@gmail.com)

St. Paul Serra Board Meeting Minutes 9-19-2016 Members present: Mike Smeby, Mary Egging, Deb Gohl, Debbie Koop, Karen Beaudette, Arlene Leyden, Kathleen Randolph, Lolly Santoski, Al and Judy Eiden

Mike motioned to approve the August minutes. Debbie seconded. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report** – Ending balance in the investment account is \$5401.16. Mike motioned to accept Treasurer's report as presented. Karen seconded. Motion passed.

**Special Events** – Monday, Oct. 3-Meet and Greet Transitional Deacons Evening Prayer and dinner starts with prayer at 5 PM, dinner to follow in Binz. Cost is \$30/person. Fr. Floeder gave names of deacons who will talk after dinner. Arlene will contact Andy to see what decorations are available. If none are available, we will bring decorations from home. Wear your name tags and we will have some stick name tags. Mike will send Jerry Biese to send a flyer to the District with RSVP by 9/23. Thurs. Oct. 13 Team Vianney Night at SJV seminary. Bring 2 doz. cookies or bars. Karen will confirm with Roberta whether she can continue to lead this. Monday, Oct. 17-Archbishop Hebda will be our speaker. Mass at 11:35 with Serran Recommitment ceremony. We will have a welcome committee to direct traffic. Judy Cozzens is bringing 31 guests. Friday, Dec. 2-Christmas Luncheon at Town and Country Club. Archbishop Hebda and Bishop Cozzens will attend. It is not too early to ask your pastor to save the date. Arlene will check on the price.

Nominations are needed for Board positions for Programs, Membership, Newsletter, and Treasurer. Send your suggestions to Debbie. She will follow up.

#### **Minutes**

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**Vocations-**Priesthood Sunday is Oct. 30. Go to priestsunday.org to plan your support for your pastor. National Vocation Awareness Week is Nov. 6-12. Go to serraus.org to see all the opportunities available to increase awareness for Vocations! Each Serran should submit to their bulletin editor announcements and images ready for publication from these sites.

Newsletter/Directory-Karen needs any updates to the Directory ASAP. Check your information and let Karen know. Newsletter deadline is Sept. 25. Debbie to write about Team Vianney, Barb ot write about Archbishop Hebda's program, Al and Judy to write about Priesthood Sunday, Gary to write about how to invite your friends to a program. Be sure to invite your pastor to Oct. 17 and Dec. 2 events. Membres are free, but we will pay for guests.

**Programs**-Oct. 17, Monday-Archbishop Hebda; Friday, Nov. 4 Mass at 730 AM and light breakfast; Monday, Nov. 21-speaker Greg Pulles and Elect officers for 2017; Monday, Jan 9-tbd; Monday, Feb. 20-speaker Bob Labat; Monday, March 13-speaker Msgr. Callaghan; Monday, April 10-tbd; Monday, May 15-tbd. June luncheon possibly at Marian Center. First Friday Mass/Light Breakfast food will be at local parishes. Nov. 4 will be at St. Joe's Mass at 7:30 AM. The next First Friday meeting will be in February. Lolly will look into whether Nativity can host.

Arlene will send a Get Well card to Roberta Grady.

Meeting adjourned 3 PM. Respectfully submitted by Mary Egging.

# 2017 CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS VOCATION DISCERNMENT GUIDE

Request your copies for parishes and religion classes online at: VocationNetwork.org/orders

e-mail at: mail@vocationguide.org

call: 1.800.942.2811

# WELCOME TO FIRST ARTICLE By: DEACON NICK FROEHLE!

Greetings! My name is Deacon Nick Froehle, and I am a transitional deacon for this great archdiocese. It will be my pleasure to write for this newsletter throughout the coming year. I've been asked to share some of my own story, my journey towards the priesthood.

I was born in the summer of 1991 in Littleton, Colorado, my parents having relocated there from Minnesota a few years previous. Although I was raised there, I ultimately came to Minnesota to attend the University of St. Thomas in the fall of 2009. I first thought about becoming a priest during high school (thanks to an encouraging letter from my grandparents), but I wasn't ready to enter seminary at the start of college. Instead, I spent the first few years of college discerning. Through the encouragement of my friends, professors, and some holy priests, I began to pray seriously about the plan Jesus had for me. Eventually, I discerned that priesthood was where our Lord was drawing me, and so I finally took the plunge and entered seminary the fall of my senior year. I never looked back!

The last four years of seminary formation have been a beautiful journey—challenging, humbling, and encouraging. It was with tremendous joy and peace that I laid my life down at my diaconate ordination this past spring at the Basilica, and I am looking forward to finally entering the fraternity of the priesthood this May. Let us continue to pray for one another and more vocations!

Phone Directory published for 2015-2016 will not be published this year to save on expenses. An update was emailed to those that have it and will send mailed newsletters for those members without email a printed copy. Any questions please call email: <a href="mailto:stpaulserra@gmail.com">stpaulserra@gmail.com</a> or call me 651-454-7256 Karen

#### SOME HUMOR ....

# At an Optometrist's Office:

"If you don't see what you're looking for, You've come to the right place."

At a Car Dealership: "The best way to get back on your feet - miss a car payment."

And the best one for last ....

Sign on the back of a Septic Tan Truck: "Caution - This Truck is full of Political Promises".

"Among our tasks
as witnesses to the
love of Christ
is that of giving voice
to the cry of the poor."

Pope Francis, Address to the Archbishop of Canterbury, Vatcian City, June 14, 2013 **First call on pastor** When making a call on the pastor to get something started, we recommend going two by two like Jesus sent his Apostles. Ask St. Junipero Serra to intercede for your visit.

#### **Step #1** Gather materials

- 1. Obtain the exact name of the pastor and his personal secretary. Write it down.
- 2. Obtain 4 copies of Five Star Pamphlet and 2 Crib Cards from Vocation Kit. One of the copies is for each of you. (**IMPORTANT:** Do not take any other materials along.)

**Step #2** Phone or go to the office to obtain an appointment. (**IMPORTANT**: A face to face appointment is very important as phone explanations or e-mails are not very effective.) Be prepared to work with the pastor himself or his designee, whichever is appropriate. Ask for an appointment "to discuss ways to create a climate in the parish that may surface vocations to priesthood or religious life." The less said the better.

**Step #3** Keep the appointment. After opening niceties including sharing our joy at the recent canonization of St. Serra, hand one copy of the pamphlet to the pastor and slowly ask him these 4 questions from crib card:

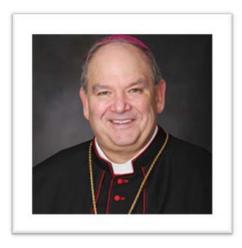
- 1. Do you think that someone might be being called to the priesthood or religious life in our parish? Pause.
- 2. How can you and I help them answer that call? Listen.
- 3. Would doing one of these 5 activities possibly help surface the vocation? Which one would you like to try? Wait for an answer.
- 4. Who should I talk to from your staff about getting started? Hopefully get an answer.

**Step #4** Ask the secretary for contact information to make the follow up appointment with the recommended person.

**Step #5** At the follow-up appointment, present a copy of the Five Star Pamphlet to your parish representative, and start to explain the program that has been selected from the Vocation Kit, share a copy of the details sheet of the selected program.

**Step #6** Stay involved until the program becomes well under way. Use all assets of your club to help make the program work smoothly.

**Step #7** Keep your club informed of your progress and PLEASE email jcozzens@msn.com so we can share what is happening across our country.



# Mass, Luncheon Meeting & Fellowship

with

Most Reverend Bernard A. Hebda

Archbishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis

"Missionary Discipleship and the Sowing of Vocational Seeds"



# Saint Paul Serra Club welcomes ALL Serrans Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> To renew your commitment to Serra's mission

When: Monday, October 17, 2016

11:35 a.m. Mass at St. Paul Seminary, St. Mary's Chapel

Followed by Lunch, Fellowship and Program

Where: St. Paul Seminary (St. Mary's Chapel / Binz Refectory)

St. Thomas University

2260 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105

Parking: Lots P, X, Y lots or the Cretin Avenue ramp

<u>Cost:</u> St. Paul Serran members (no cost – paid w/ membership dues)

Spouse and Guests \$20.00 Other Serrans \$20.00

# Register your participation by MONDAY, October 10th

All <u>must</u> register by contacting Arlene Leyden at <u>atleyden@q.com</u> or (651) 699-2089 For Payment mail to Arlene Leyden (checks to St. Paul Serra Club):

Arlene Leyden, 2195 Jefferson Avenue, St. Paul, MN, 55105

# MONTHLY PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

#### ARCHDIOCESE OF SAINT PAUL AND MINNEAPOLIS

# **—OCTOBER 2016—**

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# WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

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# **--NOVEMBER 2016—**

#### ARCHDIOCESE OF SAINT PAUL AND MINNEAPOLIS

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Mass, rosary, fasting
Day of offering
Eucharistic adoration
Offering of sufferings, or prayer.
Whatever the Lord inspires you to offer Him

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#### **PRAYER**

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Mass, rosary, fasting Day of offering Eucharistic adoration Offering of sufferings, or prayer.