

# Airport Serra Newsletter



**June 2016** 

#### On Eagles Wings Airport Serra News

Airport Serra Club, Bloomington, MN #743 District 7
Meetings on the first and third Fridays: noon Mass followed by a light luncheon and speaker Location: St. Bonaventure Church, 901 E. 90<sup>th</sup> St., Bloomington 55420.



## **Greetings**

Club President - Mary Beth Biese



Dear Serra Family,

"Peace be with you" is not just a little four word saying that we hear time and time again during Holy Mass but a splendid prayer that is full of beautiful thoughts and wishes and happiness. What else can we wish for anyone to have but peace? With peace comes joy and the interior quiet that keeps the heart and soul rested. All else seems to be second - wealth, perfect health, problems lessoned, and the list goes on. So if there is only one prayer for us to bless each other with it's "peace be with you."

The Installation Mass for Archbishop Bernard Hedba was a lasting memory for many of us in attendance. The Cathedral was packed with grateful hearts and so very blessed by the Lord for giving us such a gift in our new Archbishop.

God bless you all with His Abundant Peace!

Mary Beth Biese, president

# Invite for an Archdiocese Prayer Vigil

Thursday, June 2 at 7PM through Friday, June 3 closing Mass beginning at 7PM at St. Peter Catholic Church, Mendota. Join us for this time of prayer, penance, and healing for our Archdiocese and our priests. There will be a time for Eucharistic Adoration, reflections, and devotions throughout the vigil. The vigil will conclude with 7 PM Mass on Friday.

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Serrans.

Please try to attend this most important event where clergy and laity from throughout the Archdiocese are being called together to pray for our bishops and priests and the healing of our Archdiocese. There are still many hours of the prayer vigil in need of adorers. You can click below to sign up. Also please try to attend the closing Mass to honor and console the Sacred Heart of Jesus and pray for His mercy and grace.

## 2016 Archdiocesan Prayer Vigil to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Dates: Thursday, June 2 - Friday, June 3
Location: St Peter Catholic Church, Mendota
More Information: Sign up for a Prayer Vigil Holy Hour

The Prayer Vigil to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a time of prayer, penance, and healing for our Archdiocese and our priests. There will be time for Eucharistic Adoration, reflections, and devotions throughout the vigil.

Download the event <u>flyer</u>. **Vigil Schedule** (Download the <u>printable schedule</u>)

Thursday, June 2

Vigil of the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7 pm Solemn Vespers (New Church)

9 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (New Church)

9 pm Night Prayer & Reflection (New Church)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin following Vespers in the New Church throughout the night until Friday morning Mass. Morning Mass will be celebrated in the New Church at 9 a.m. followed by a Eucharistic Procession to the Historic Church. Adoration will be in the held in the Historic Church throughout the Friday daytime hours.

The Blessed Sacrament will be processed back to the New Church at 5 pm for Evening Prayer and Seven Penitential Psalms. Adoration will conclude with Benediction at 6:30 pm prior to Mass at 7 pm

Friday, June 3

Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

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12 am	Reflection (New Church)
3 am	Chaplet of Divine Mercy (New Church)
7:30 am	Reflection (New Church)
8 am	Morning Prayer (New Church)
9 am	Mass (New Church)
9:45 am	Eucharistic Procession to Historic Church following Mass for daytime Adoration
10:15 am	Stations of the Cross and Midday Prayer (Historic Church)
12 pm	Angelus & Scriptural Rosary (Historic Church)
3 pm	Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Historic Church)
5 pm	Eucharistic Procession from Historic Church to New Church
5:15 pm	Evening Prayer (New Church)
6 pm	Seven Penitential Psalms (New Church)
6:30 pm	Benediction (New Church)
7 pm	Solemn High Mass in Honor of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (New Church)



In his first major liturgical celebration as Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, Archbishop Bernard Hebda ordained nine men to the transitional diaconate at the Basilica of Saint Mary in Minneapolis on May 14, 2016.

Pictured here: Front row: Matthew Shireman, Brandon Theisen, Paul Baker, Matthew Quail, Ben Wittnebel; Second row: Chad VanHoose, Bryce Evans, Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Archbishop Bernard Hebda, Timothy Sandquist, Nicholas Froehle, and Monsignor Aloysius Callaghan.



We were also blessed on the twenty-eighth day of May at the ordination of nine men to the holy priesthood in a packed Cathedral of over 3,000 people. They are Fathers Neil Bakker, Michael Daly, Paul Haverstock, Kyle Kowalczyk, Michael McClellan, Matthew Northenscold, Mark Pavlak, Adam Tokashiki (a member of Pro Ecclesia Sancta), and Joseph Zabinski. Again the Lord has blessed us with these nine gifts to His Church and to this Archdiocese.

## May 6<sup>th</sup> Tizoc Rosales

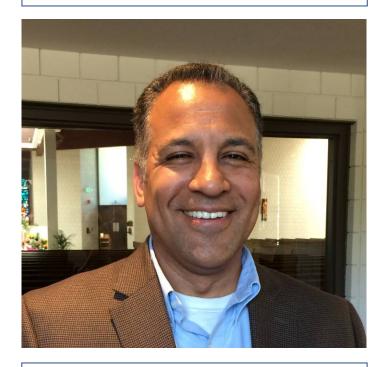
Tizoc Rosales has been a frequent guest at our Serra Club meetings, especially when our speaker is someone from Saint John Vianney Seminary or The Saint Paul Seminary. He has good connections since he works for, with, and among the men of these seminaries as their Associate Director of Institutional Development. He and his family are members of St. Joseph's Church in West St. Paul.

Tizoc is the oldest of three children and he attended Annunciation School in Minneapolis and St. Matthew's School in St. Paul, followed by public high school. His participation in youth ministries helped to counter the secular culture in his high school. He began college at Notre Dame, but when his mother got a job at St. Thomas he transferred there because of the tuition break he received. An even greater "benefit" of this move was that there he met Avenna who is now his wife and they have six children. After a successful summer internship at Minnesota Mutual Life before his senior year, upon graduating he worked there for fifteen years in financial services as an underwriter and then manager of the customer services staff. From there he remained in the corporate world for another five years as an account manager. When a relative suggested he consider working for the Catholic Church in some capacity, he met with a priest and went on a retreat to seek discernment. The time seemed right for a move and becoming **Development Director of Saint Paul Outreach** proved to be a good fit. His office was at NET Ministries and he was surrounded with people of prayer and common values. There was definitely a need for his skills and experience in the Church and opportunities abounded. After four years at SPO, he accepted his current position one and one-half years ago.

Our two seminaries are independent from each other and from St. Thomas and the Archdiocese. Tizoc raises funds mainly for SJV Seminary, but he also assists Tom Ryan, the Director of Development for The Saint Paul Seminary. As all of us, Tizoc has witnessed how Satan is trying to rob us of our joy as Catholics of this Archdiocese. Yet, he is most encouraged by the quality of the men coming to

the seminary and the heart they have for service. He truly feels the future of our local Church is very bright. The ongoing clergy formation for all priests also promotes continuous growth in their vocations. Saint John Vianney is the largest seminary in the United States with 130 – 135 men in recent years.

All his life Tizoc has believed that God has a plan and so he has sought God's will at every turn. He has been so blessed that with each change God has brought him continuous blessings, joy, and peace.



Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when in trouble, but it is a "steering wheel" that directs the right path throughout.

People who laugh a lot are healthier than those who don't.

So why is a car's windshield so large and the rear view mirror so small? Because our past is not as important as our future. So look ahead and move on.

# May 20<sup>th</sup> Father James Stiles

Father James Stiles, associate pastor of St. Odilia's Church in Shoreview, celebrated Mass for us and was our quest speaker on May 20th. He was born in Lexington. Kentucky and moved to Owatonna, MN at age six. He attended St. Mary's Catholic School and Owatonna Public High School before going to St. Thomas University. His parents cultivated the faith in him and his one brother and four sisters with grace, Sunday Mass, and an occasional family Rosary. Unlike many modern families in which dinner is often "on the run", his family made dinners together a high priority with constant conversations about life and faith. His Dad would sing the "Our Father" to him and his brother often at night and his parents fostered good Christian behavior.

In his Catholic elementary school environment, the Lord gave James a good foundation of faith. Several teachers asked him if he were interested in becoming a priest, but he desired to be married. His interest in girls grew and in his more secular high school setting he drifted from his faith and began questioning it. As he entered college, he kept going to Mass and the sacraments, but he found the college scene attractive also. When he took a Catholic Studies course called "Search for Happiness", his perspective widened. He talked to priests about life and morals. He witnessed and was inspired by happy seminarians in processions and singing to Mary. In his sophomore year he grew angry with the world and its lies. As he shared this with his parents, they assured him this was normal and to keep searching. When he went to Rome as a junior, he broke up with his girlfriend and began to look seriously at priesthood. Moved by wonderful priests and awed by the thought of "HOLDING GOD" at the moment of Consecration, he decided to enter the seminary. But one week before entering, he was diagnosed with type 1

diabetes. Although he entered, he soon had to leave the seminary and get this disease under control. Meanwhile he finished his final 1 ½ years of college and then entered The Saint Paul Seminary. Through those four years, he often had doubts, but Psalm 23 and the support of his seminary community kept him persevering. On the day of his diaconate ordination, as he spoke at his celebration, he could not stop crying for joy.

Having been ordained in May, 2015, Father Stiles LOVES being a priest!
Celebrating Mass, delving into the Scriptures, preaching, and sharing the love of Christ and God's mercy in Confession have been overwhelmingly joyous. He has made much use of his Spanish-speaking skills with the large Latino community at St. Odilia's.

Father Stiles describes his vocation as "an adventure of love." Like seminarian Ben Hall who spoke at our March 18th meeting, Father Stiles summarizes his journey with God to the priesthood in Jeremiah 1: 5: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."



## Meet Your Fellow Serran Marilyn Mantel

I grew up in a small town, Beausejour, 50 miles east of Winnipeg, Manitoba. My parents and our family of 4 children attended the Ukrainian Byzantine Catholic Church. I came to the USA in 1965 and became a citizen in 1992. I married Tom. We had 4 children, one deceased, 3 grandchildren.

I am VP of vocations in Airport Serra. Our goal is to maintain club vocations efforts, and to create a culture of vocations filtering down to the parish level. We plan to have a subcommittee to promote more ideas and invite all the members to participate.

#### Meet Your Fellow Serran Cheryl Belden

I was born and raised in Minnesota and lived here for all but five years which was in Southern Indiana with my husband and our two boys. I worked at Lockheed Martin for 33 years when they were in Eagan and lived in Bloomington where my family also resided. We moved to Eagan when the oldest boy graduated from Kennedy High School and still reside there. I have been retired for 6 vears and now God is using me in spreading his work and getting to know my husband after 40 years of him working nights and me days. My best saying for young marrieds: Remember, God is first, your spouse next, and children after spouse and life will be smoother. Trust In Jesus!





## **Prayer for Priests**

"O holy Mother of God, pray for the priests your Son has chosen to serve the Church. Help them, by your intercession, to be holy, zealous, and chaste. Make them models of virtue in the service of God's people.

Help them be pious in meditation, efficacious in preaching, and zealous in the daily offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Help them administer the sacraments with joy." Amen.

#### **Our Holy Father's Intentions for June 2016**

Human Solidarity: That the aged, marginalized, and those who have no one may find - even within the huge cities of the world - opportunities for encounter and solidarity.

Evangelization: That seminarians and men and women entering religious life may have mentors who live the joy of the Gospel and prepare them wisely for their mission.

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

June 3 Mass Celebrant: Father Scott
Carl. This will be our annual
installation of officers and
induction of new members. We
will celebrate with a potluck lunch
with all our favorite dishes.

June 17 Mass Celebrant: Father David Blume. Guest Speaker: Faye Heffele, wife, mother, grandmother, author, very active parishioner of St. John Neumann Church in Eagan, and participant in the Archbishop Harry S. Flynn Catechetical Institute. Faye will share how writing inspirational poetry has been an important part of her faith walk. She will also give us a glimpse of her just-completed first year of the Catechetical Institute.

July 1 No meeting – holiday weekend

Be sure to invite fellow parishioners and friends to come, see, and hear how God nourishes us in our life as Serrans.

## Sisters Who Are Also Mothers Bring New Perspectives to Religious Life

article by Elizabeth Eisenstadt Evans in May 5, 2016 issue of "Spirituality" -- excerpt taken from "Global Sisters Report" website

The way Sr. Rita Cameron sees it, her grandchildren didn't lose a grandmother when she became a sister. They gained 106 greataunts. "Everybody loves them," said Cameron, who is vocations director for the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Dubuque, lowa. Cameron is part of a relatively small but significant segment of women entering religious life having grown children and, occasionally, grandchildren.

Notre Dame de Namur Sr. Mary Johnson, a sociologist at Trinity Washington University, found in a 1999 study of sisters who had entered religious life since the end of the Second Vatican Council that of the 2,740 women who responded, 3 percent reported having been divorced (and their marriages annulled) before entrance, and 1 percent had been widowed. Four percent had children.

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# **Airport Serra Club Officers**

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Ten years later, a survey undertaken by the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate and the National Religious Vocation Conference found that of 985 female respondents who had entered religious life in the previous 20 years, 10 percent said they had been previously married, and 7 percent had children.

"We are not talking about a huge phenomenon," Johnson told Global Sisters Report. "We are talking about a small but significant phenomenon that does bring some women who have different life experiences to religious orders." As these women undergo a distinct change of life, they bring with them not only a prior marital history but ongoing responsibilities as parents. (Women with younger children must wait to become sisters until their children are independent.) The mothers interviewed for this story were clear that they would not have considered religious life if it had come between them and their children.

The Catholic church places a high value on parenthood as a vocation. But the entrance of previously married women into religious communities also raises another possibility: more than one sacred calling. Johnson said this particular phenomenon, while not new, is another sign of increasing diversity in the "very dynamic reality" of Catholic religious life. "All of these diversities will impact our local community living, our communal prayer life, our decision-making processes, our governance structures within congregations and, of course, our ministries," she said. The stories of how these women were drawn to religious life are as diverse as the women themselves.

#### For the rest of the article go to:

http://globalsistersreport.org/news/spirituality/sisters-who-are-also-mothers-bring-new-perspectives-religious-life-39641

# Some famous 'sister moms'

#### Elizabeth Ann Seton



A member of upper-class New York society, Elizabeth Ann Bayley married a merchant, William Seton, in 1794 when she was 19. After the young couple moved to Italy, William died of tuberculosis, leaving Elizabeth with five children. Elizabeth converted to Catholicism, returning to the United States and starting a girls' school in Baltimore. Seton founded the community that ultimately became the Daughters (or Sisters) of Charity. She is the first native-born American to be canonized by the Catholic church.

#### Jerusha Barber

Jerusha Barber and her husband, who was then an Episcopal priest running a school in New York state, studied Catholicism and became convinced it was the one true faith. Though they were very much in love, the Barbers separated in 1817, he to become a Catholic priest and she a Visitation nun, raising her daughters in her community. All of the Barber children entered religious life: The four girls became Ursuline sisters and their son, Samuel, became a Jesuit.

#### **Cornelia Connelly**

Cornelia Connelly's life was one of tragedy, including the death of two of her five children. After she and her husband converted to Catholicism from the Episcopalian church (he became a priest and she took a vow of chastity, later founding the Society of the Holy Child Jesus), he abandoned the faith. In 1849, he filed a lawsuit for the restoration of his conjugal rights, a case known as Connelly vs. Connelly that portrayed her as a selfish mother who abandoned her children. The effect on the order was so damaging that after her death in 1879, her name was barely mentioned for 50 years.

Thanks to Margaret McGuinness, author of Called to Serve: A History of Nuns in America, for highlighting the contributions of these three women.

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