

## Come, Follow Me

Newsletter of the Serra Club of North Houston District 10 Volume 5, Issue 8, September 2020

### Celebrating our Priests Priesthood Sunday



Joanne Wycoff is our Serra Board member and artist who designed the 18 Priesthood Sunday posters! Joanne is pictured above with the poster celebrating Father James and Father Innocent of Christ the Good Shepherd.

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## **Priesthood Sunday**

18 Posters for Priesthood Sunday were delivered by Carol Cason and Ann Zdansky. Joanne Wycoff made up the beautiful posters but some parishes added their own photos to their poster. Ann Zdansky printed the posters after Joanne's artwork and writing.





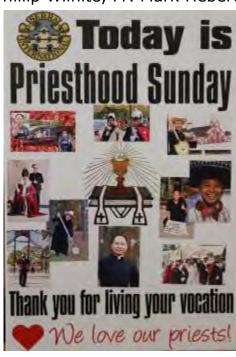


Above: The priests of Sacred Heart Conroe with their poster. Fr. Phillip Wilhite, Fr. Mark Hebert and Fr. Joseph Manapuram

To the Right:
The Poster celebrating
Father Chris Nguyen,
Pastor of Saint
Matthias.

Follow the link below to view the video celebrating Father Chris made by his loving parishioners

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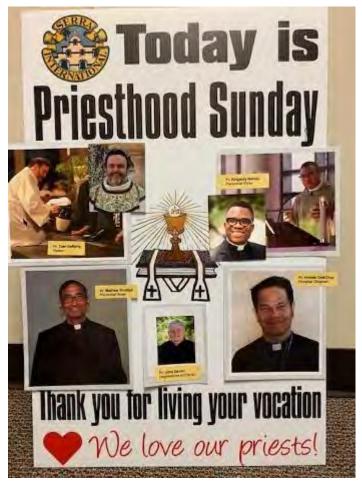




Above:Father: Christopher Nguyen, Deacon Pat Hancock and Deacon Rapael Millet of St. Matthias

## **Priesthood Sunday**

Father Fred married Serrans John and Ann in 1997 at CGS. where he served until the end of 1996. Father Fred was then assigned to St Michael's in the Galleria area, St Anne's, and he has been at St Thomas in Huntsville for the past 8 years. The Zdanskys got to meet with Father Fred on Priesthood Sunday for about an hour. He loved the video and poster. He also mentioned the card that he received from Yolanda. He was surprised and didn't even know that it was Priesthood Sunday. The Zdanskys then visited with Father Mark pictured to the right







"THE PRIESTHOOD IS THE LOVE OF THE HEART OF JESUS.

WHEN YOU SEE A PRIEST, THINK OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST."

- ST. JOHN VIANNEY

On the Left:
Poster celebrating the Priests of Saint
Anthony of Padua clockwise: Father
Kingsley, Father Ronnie,
Father John, Father
Matthew, and Father Tom

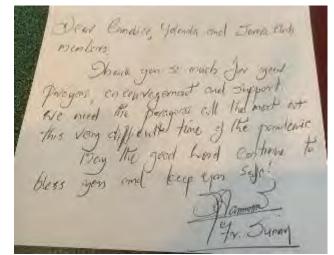


## **Priesthood Sunday**

Serra Club of North Houston Secretary, Yolanda Cadena holding Thank You Cards she has received from the priests to our Serra Club!



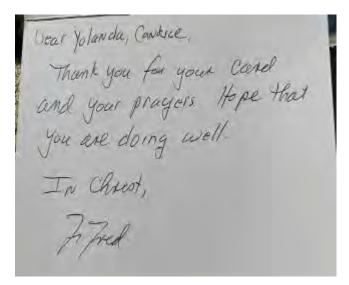




Dear Seno Club of North Housen,

Thank you so when for your progress and
support. It is an honor to serve you
as a priest. May and buss each and
eury one of you.

In Christ, Fr. Ryan





# Fr. Ryan Stawaisz Performs Exorcism Blessing



Thursday, September 10th after the 9:00am mass Fr. Ryan performed an exorcism blessing where everyone brought water, salt, oil, candles, holy articles and even a car for him to consecrate and bless. 38 Faithful Catholics met at the water fountain in front of Prince of Peace Catholic Church. Fr. Ryan walked around the fountain sprinkling holy water all over the items and putting a pinch of salt in the water. Fr. Ryan began with a beautiful prayer, was very reverent and filled with the Holy Spirit as he blessed all the articles! God bless you Fr. Ryan Stawaisz and thank you!



Follow the link below to read an informative article on the history and importance of this blessing presented by Matthew Plese of The Fatima Center online

https://fatima.org/news-views/catholic-apologetics-17/





## Our Serrans

### Vocation Ministry Virtual Gala Thursday, September 15th

Rhonda Gruenewald, founder of Vocation Ministry and author of Hundredfold, held her annual gala on-line. Rhonda asked supporters to have virtual home group get togethers for the on-line event! Ed and Candice Tyrrell hosted a small virtual get together with a dinner and were honored to have newly appointed Superior to the Legionaries of Christ, Fr. Kermit Syren, LC, from Anchorage Alaska attend. He had moved to Spring one week ago from Alaska. Fr. Kermit travels in Alaska, Canada and U.S. promoting Vocations! Fr. Jared Loehr, LC, invited Fr. Kermit to attend when he did not realize and was very surprised and excited to see Rhonda Gruenewald on Zoom for her Vocation Ministry gala. Fr. Kermit had asked Rhonda to setup a Vocation workshop in Connecticut a few months before Covid-19 and she did an outstanding job said Fr. Kermit! He said three young men entered the seminary after the workshop! He was thrilled that Fr. Jared had invited him to attend her virtual gala. Bishop Brendan Cahill and Fr. Victor Perez were guest speakers on the Zoom gala along with Rhonda! Margo Geddie, president of Houston Serra Club & Secretary of Serra Intl, was the honoree and gave a beautiful speech! God is amazing and so incredible how he puts us all together from great works as he did tonight with Fr. Kermit and Rhonda! What a nice surprise for Fr. Kermit! Thank you Lord!

photo:
Shirley Varsel,
Yolanda Cadena,
Jan Beall,
Fr. Jared Loehr, LC,
Mary Jane Brewster,
Ed Tyrrell,
T. Wayne Brewster,
John Beall and
Fr. Kermit Syren, LC.

When two or more are gathered in my name, there I am in the midst.

Matthew 18:20



## Our Serrans

### Vocation Ministry Virtual Gala Thursday, September 15th



Below: Jan & Mary

On the Left: Jan, Ed, Candice, Mary Jane & T. Wayne

Below: Fr. Kermit, Fr. Jared & Ed Tyrrell



Below: Shirley & Yolanda



Below: Shirley, Yolanda, & Jan



To support Vocations Ministry please use the link below:

https://vocationministry.com/



### Our Serrans

### Serra US Executive Board Meeting held in Kansas City, MO Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>

The Serra US Executive Board held their first meeting in person and some members were online! There were 14 in person attendees. The meeting began with the Serra International Rosary at 8:00 a.m. and ended at 4:00 p.m. After the meeting the board attended 5:00 p.m. Mass at the beautiful Twelve Apostles Catholic Church set on a hill. The board then met at Kansas City Smokehouse Barbeque for a delicious meal. After the meal, they returned to the hotel to video a group prayer of the Memorare for Cardinal Thomas Collins, Serra Intl. Episcopal Vicar, and Bishop Thomas Daly, US Serra Vicar.

### Left:

Mark Bonkonwicz,
Judy Cozzens,
Michael Brag,
Sharon Brag,
Greg Schietz,
Rose Campney,
Bob Campney
Right:
Ruth Arians,
Richard Arians,
John Liston,
Candice Tyrell,
Ed Tyrrell,
Audrey Downey,

Mike Downey



### Frassati Catholic GOLF Tournament September 18th Windrose Golf Club



LEFT: Fr. T. J. Dolce, Pastor, & Team St. Martha's Kingwood





LEFT: 1st PLACE! Congratulations, Serran David Valicevic, Mitch Vicknair and Don Konipol

RIGHT: Team St. Anthony of Padua; Deacon Tom Vicknair, Serran David Valicevic, Mitch Vicknair (deacon in training) & Don Konipol



# Our Serrans Happy Birthday Father Ricardo!

A few Serrans pictured got together to celebrate Fr. Ricardo Arriola's 38th birthday at a Mexican restaurant on Friday, Sept. 18th. Fr. Ricardo's birthday is Saturday, Sept. 19th! He is currently Pastoral Vicar at St. Bartholomew's parish in Katy. He was ordained a priest last year and loves being a priest! May God bless you Fr. Ricardo on your birthday and always!





Photo on the Left:
John Zdansky,
Ann Zdansky,
Candice Tyrrell,
Ed Tyrrell,
Fr. Ricardo,
Lynn Lewis

### You can get to know Father Ricardo during the Serra North Program

Guest Speaker: Ricardo Arriola

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 7:00 PM

Meeting ID: 820 7329 9884

Passcode: 629956

For phone only Dial +1 346 248 7799

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82073299884? pwd=SFNIZi9HUFFHaTY0NE85WVNCb0RWUT09





# ur Serrans

### to the following Serrans for delivering the Vocation Posters!!!

### **Carol Cason:**

St. Edwards

St. James the Apostle

St. John Neumann

Sts. Simon & Jude

in Woodlands

Our Lady of Lavang

St. Stanislaus

in Anderson

Christ Our Light

in Navasota

St. Mary's

in Plantersville

St. Joseph Mission

in Plantersville

St. Edwards School

St. Frassati School

#### Susan Stawaisz:

St. Anne's Parish Tomball

St. Anne's Tomball School

#### Ann Zdansky:

St. Anthony of Padua in Woodlands

Sacred Heart in Conroe

St. Thomas the Apostle

In Huntsville

St. Joseph

in New Waverly

St. Stephen Mission in New Waverly

St. Mathias in Magnolia

St. Anthony of

Padua School

Sacred Heart I

n Conroe School

#### **Candice Tyrrell:**

Christ the Good Shepherd St. Ignatius Parish Prince of Peace

St. Ignatius School







"It is Jesus who stirs in you the desire to do something great with your lives." - St. John Paul II. WYD Rosse

If you feet called to be a priest, cortact us te sientes l'arrado a ser sacerdote

HoustonVocations.com Facebook.com/HoustonVocations PRAY FOR DUR SEMINARIANS.

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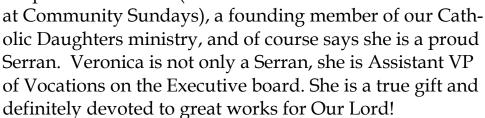
### Meet a Serra Board Member!

Veronica was raised here in Houston and attended St. Martha's Catholic Church in Kingwood. She hates to admit it, but she was one of the people that drifted away from the Catholic church for a while.

Veronica was a librarian for a number of years in Dallas and Houston. When her mother developed Alzheimer's disease, she was fortunate enough to be able to work part time and help her. Her mother passed away in 2016 and she still dearly misses her.



Veronica decided to go back to church at Christ the Good Shepherd (CGS) and attended an ACTS retreat which she says really helped her. When she joined CGS she did not mess around. She has teamed three (3) times on ACTS retreats, attended Bible studies, joined Shepherds for Christ (we volunteer



When she was given the opportunity to work fulltime at Houston Catholic Books & Gifts she jumped at the

chance. Veronica has met so many wonderful people (including many of you) and learned so much more about the Catholic faith.

Veronica is also a "Mom" to a 13 pound 12 year old cat named Kip. You may have seen his ears in Zoom meetings. Kip loves being involved in everything. He even jumps in her lap and settles down when she prays the rosary.

Veronica loves to read and shop. She is really looking forward to a once in a lifetime Holy Land pilgrimage in the Spring with members of CGS and St. Ignatius of Loyola.

Veronica is the nicest person anyone would want to meet! Everyone loves shopping at Houston Catholic and being waited on by Veronica. Thank you Veronica for being everyone's friend in Christ! We love you!



# Joyful News Father Innocent Okhifo Celebrates his 15th priestly Anniversary



Serrans Gather in the CGS Marian Garden



President Candice Tyrrell presents Fr. Innocent with his gift

61 Serrans donated to (hopefully) surprise Fr. Innocent with a lovely Pope Francis Design Molina Chalice..







Thank you for blessing us Father Innocent!





Father Innocent Surrounded by Serran love.



# Joyful News



Fr. Innocent celebrates his 1st Mass with his new Chalice Gifted by Serra Club of North Houston in celebration of his 15th ordination anniversary!







### ADOPT A SEMINARIAN PRAYER PROGRAM (ASPP)

### NEW ARRIVALS!



Isaiah Silva Seminary Pastoral Assignment

Adopted by the: JAN BEALL TEAM



Hai Dao St. Mary's Seminary

Adopted by the: RICHARD EGAN TEAM



Brandon Badillo St. Joseph Seminary

Adopted by the: MIKE O'NEIL TEAM



Felipe Garcia St. Joseph Seminary

Adopted by the: JEAN SANFELIPPO TEAM



M J Arienza Holly Trinity Seminary

Adopted by the PATTI MOTTOLA TEAM



Julian Anyaegbu St. Mary's Seminary

Adopted by the DIANN GREENBAUM TEAM



Deacon
Joseph White
Pontifical North
American
College Rome

Adopted by the MARTI FLASCH TEAM

Vocations are born in prayer and from prayer; and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit.

Pope Francis



**SEMINARIAN SPOTLIGHT (ASPP)** 

**FERNANDO RICAUD** 

Birthday: December 6th

Home Parish: University Catholic Center, Austin

Level of Formation: Pastoral Year

Assignment: St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, Pflugerville

Favorite Movie: The Tree of Life

Favorite Music Genre: Classical Music

Patron Saint: St Therese of Lisieux

Hobbies/Interests: Piano, arthouse films, spirituality

I was born in Monterrey, Mexico to a loving family that raised me to know myself as beloved both by them and by God.

After graduating from the University of Texas and working as a software engineer for a year, I realized that I had never asked God what He wanted for the rest of my life... I only knew what I wanted! So through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, I asked the Lord to put the desire in my heart to be a priest if He wanted me to be a priest... and to my surprise He did! So I decided to take a leap of faith and entered seminary right after that.

Three years later, my love for the God and for His people has grown more than ever, and with each passing day the Lord continues to expand my heart to make it more like His Sacred Heart. I am now finishing my first theology year and the desire to be a priest of Jesus Christ is still burning deep within my heart, so I couldn't be happier to follow Christ through this adventurous path.

¡Entre tus manos está mi vida, Señor! My life is in your hands, Lord

I recently finished my Pastoral Year at St. Elizabeth of Hungary in Pflugerville and it's been the greatest confirmation of my vocation: through the people of St Elizabeth, I have discovered the mercy of the Heart of Jesus within my own heart, allowing me to love the People of God with Christ's own merciful love. In the words of Psalm 16, "He has put into my heart a marvelous love

### INTERESTED IN ADOPTION? IT IS NEVER TOO LATE!!

The above Seminarian is being highlighted as part of our Adopt a Seminarian in Prayer Program. The ASPP matches Seminarians with volunteers that pray for them, mail birthday, and feast day, gift cards, take a seminarians out for a meal, etc. requesting they do not mail a thank you note. If you would like to help and volunteer please email Diane Harrison at diharrison@swbell.net. Please keep the teams and the seminarians that they support in your prayers.



# In Memoriam



John Andrew Istvan 1939-2020

Grant, we beg You, O Lord our God, that the souls of Your servants and handmaidens. The memory of whom we keep with special appreciation, and for whom we are tied and are bound to pray, and the souls of all our patrons, relatives and connections, and all the faithful, may rest in the bosom of Your saints; and hereafter, in the resurrection from death, may they please You in the land of the living. Through Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

John Andrew Istvan passed away on September 28, 2020. He was born in McKeesport, Pennsylvania on May 23, 1939 to John Joseph and Emily Lakatosh Istvan, who predeceased him.

He started working with his dad at 5 years old, arising every morning at 5 am, frying bologna and eggs before departing for work. He served as an altar boy and could still recite the Lord's Prayer in Latin. He was an Eagle Scout and lettered in football, baseball, and basketball at East McKeesport High School where he was chosen for the positions of center and middle linebacker for the Western PA Interscholastic Athletic League honors, leading to recruitment by Buff Donelli at Columbia University to play football. After studying geology in college, he was fortunate to be employed by Emil Mosbacher, Sr. and Jr., who mentored him in the basics of the oil, gas, and mining business, starting with their drilling the discovery well at West Buck Point, Louisiana. Frances and John were married July 16, 1960 and lived in NYC, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Alabama, California, Western NY, and finally moved to Houston, Texas in 1978. Later employment included drilling and fracking oil, gas, and salt wells in New York, Virginia, Ohio, Alabama, Texas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Arizona, and California. Other projects included stints in Saudi Arabia, Armenia, Republic of Georgia, Thailand, Venezuela, Mexico, and Canada. Working at the Strategic Petroleum Reserve sites, he helped to develop the first 500 million barrels of oil storage. He was a 44-year member of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists, 52 years in the Society of Petroleum Engineers (Legion of Honor), Solution Mining Research Institute, and formerly a member of NACE and Society of Mining Engineers. During the course of his career, John and Fran traveled to many countries and had good times.

John and Fran were founding members of Christ the Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Spring, Texas where he was a long-time member of the Pastoral Council, Faith Formation Board, 55+ Club, ACTS, Serra Club, and was a Greeter.

He was involved in a number of community service organizations including Employer Support of Guard and Reserve, Community Emergency Response Team, The Houston Czech Museum, and he donated gallons of blood over the course of 60-plus years.

Many people who crossed his path over the years became instantly acquainted with his dry wit and iron-grip handshake. He was an avid rockhound, outdoorsman, reader, and supporter of Pittsburgh sports teams. He is survived by wife of 60 years Frances, children Ron (Eva), Bruce (Alicia), and Monica (Erik); grandchildren Ben, Ingrid, Olivia, Camille, and Jens; sisters Virginia, Mary Jo, and Kathy (CJ), as well as many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

A service will be held at Christ the Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Spring, TX at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Cancer Society or Christ the Good Shepherd Building Fund.

The family would also like to extend their thanks to Dr. Murthy and the staff of the Cancer Center at Houston Methodist Hospital, Willowbrook and Traditions Health Hospice for their compassionate care during his illness.



# Spiritual

### Beautiful prayer sent from Serra US Vocation Committee On the Mercy of God by Archbishop Gomez of Los Angeles

### On the Mercy of God

A spiritual meditation from the writings of St. Junipero Serra

O Lord, You are complete mercy, complete love, and complete tenderness toward all men and women, even toward the most ungrateful sinners. You wish all people to attain the ends for which You compassionately created us. You yearn that we might believe that You are the Way, the Truth, and the Life, and advance toward the salvation You will for us.

You are sweet and gentle, and You call us in the gentleness of Your divine voice, in the sweet and gentle tones of a Father addressing his favorite child. You extend the golden bonds of Your goodwill and love, You pardon us in your mercy.

Father of all mercy and consolation, pour forth the abundance of Your love with mercy. By your mercy, conquer every type of malice. Help us to leave not only our faults, but the bad habits and situations in our lives which lead to these faults, that we might love You alone.

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening with a contrite heart. Help us to begin right now to realize the truth! To be entirely animated by love of You, Help us begin to live a holy life, with a burning love and zeal for the salvation of our neighbors. Make us more gentle, more calm, more nurturing and strong.

Remind us of Your gentle goodwill, O Lord.
May we never be severe or harsh.
May we see in everyone, a child whom You have created and redeemed with the most precious blood of Your Son.
Teach us to know that You value kindness, that love is the best way to attract people to You.
May we always help others to taste and see the sweetness and gentleness of Your love.

Let us bear every hardship for the love of You and the salvation of souls. In our trials, may we know that we are loved as Your own children. To a willing heart all is sweet, so grant us love and patience, and conform us always to Your will, O God.

We entrust ourselves to the Ever-Immaculate Queen Mary and say with the Angel, "Hail Mary."

— Compiled by Most Reverend José H. Gomez, Archbishop of Los Angeles



# Spiritual

Phil's Philosophical Ponderings

-By Phil Duggan

### Eating in the 50's

Marita and I visited Italy in 1954. A man was fixing what looked like a pancake, and putting meat on the pancake. It cost 5 cents.

Now we know that thing as a pizza!

Pasta had not been invented. It was macaroni or spaghetti.

**Curry was a surname.** 

Taco? Never saw one till I was 15.

All chips were plain.

Oil was for lubricating, fat was for cooking. Tea was made in a teapot using tea leaves

and never green.

Cubed sugar was regarded as posh.

Chickens didn't have fingers in those days.

None of us had ever heard of yogurt.

Healthy food consisted of anything edible!

Cooking outside was called camping.

Seaweed was not a recognized food.

'Kebab' was not even a word... never mind a food.

Sugar enjoyed a good press in those days, and was regarded as being white gold.

Prunes were medicinal and stewed.

Surprisingly Muesli was readily available. It was called cattle feed.

Pineapples came in chunks or were round with a hole in the middle, in a tin; we had only ever seen a picture of a real one.

Water came out of the tap. If someone had suggested bottling it and charging more than gasoline for it, they would have become a laughing stock.

There were three things that we never ever had on/at our table in the fifties . . . elbows, hats and cell phones!

.....and there was always two choices for each meal...

"Take it" or Leave it".....





# A letter from your President....

Dear Serrans,

What a beautiful month September has been and I have so many people to thank! The Serra board had fun taping and re-taping the "Happy Priesthood Sunday" video, each taking a part and praying the Our Father for our priests and ending with "We Love You Father." The video was e-mailed out to all of our Serra North 34 Pastors and Parochial Vicars and several more priests! I want to greatly thank Yolanda Cadena for mailing beautiful Priesthood Sunday cards and Catholic Daughter Mass cards to all 34 priests! Did you know we have an artist on the Serra board - Joanne Wycoff! A huge thank you to Joanne who is on the first page of this newsletter for designing the beautiful Priesthood Sunday posters! Thank you also to Ann Zdansky who made 18 copies of the posters for our parishes! I also picked up the Vocation Posters from the Chancery and right away had volunteers to distribute them along with the large posters for Priesthood Sunday to our 18 parishes. Thank you very much to Carol Cason, Susan Stawaisz and Ann Zdansky for travelling as far as Anderson, Conroe, Plantersville, Navasota, Huntsville, Tomball and the Woodlands! We had very positive feedback about the posters and some parishes wanted to keep them in their Narthex for another week after Priesthood Sunday. On Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> several of the Serrans attended an Exorcism blessing of salt, water and oil by Fr. Ryan Stawaisz after 9 a.m. Mass at POP. This was my first Exorcism blessing to ever attend. There is so much evil in this world I highly recommend consecrating your home to Jesus with these blessed items. Please click on the link Kiersten Mason typed on page 5 to be informed of this important blessing. Thank you Kiersten for sharing this link!



# A letter from your President, continued

Ed and I were very excited to host a Vocation Ministry virtual dinner gala on Sept. 15th. When Fr. Jared texted me if he could bring Fr. Kermit Syren, Legionaries of Christ (LC), we had no idea he is the new superior for the LC from Alaska! We felt honored having him and hearing of all the Vocation work he has been doing all over the US, CA & Alaska! God bless you Kermit! Ed and I had a wonderful time at the Serra US Executive Board meeting in Kansas City. There were 14 who attended and several on Zoom. It was a very productive meeting! You will be seeing more professional advertisements/ video to inform everyone about Serra. Many have never heard of Serra and Greg Schwietz, Intl. President Elect, gave a beautiful presentation from a well known company he has been working with on this project on how everyone may be more informed about Serra! It is with my deepest sympathy to Fran Istvan of the passing of her dear husband and Serran John Istvan on Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>. I served on the CGS Pastoral Council for three years with John and what a gentle and faith-filled man. We will miss John greatly! Happy Birthday to Fr. Rick Arriola on Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> and Happy 15<sup>th</sup> Priestly Anniversary to Fr. Innocent Okhifo on Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>!!! The Serrans love you both and keep you in our prayers. Thank you to Jan Beall, Richard Egan, Marti Flasch, Diann Greenbaum, Patti Mottola, Mike O'Neil and Jean Sanfelippo for volunteering to adopt the seven seminarians who the board voted to add to our existing eight adopted seminarians. We have adopted 15!!! Thank you to all our volunteers!

God bless you, Candice

> "Do not be afraid, then, when love makes demands. Do not be afraid when love requires sacrifice." -Saint Pope John Paul II



## Serra Club of North Houston Board Members

St. Junipero Serra PRAY FOR US O, God, Who by your love of the American people filled Serra with apostolic zeal and fervor, blessing the fruits of his labors in Mexico and California. and firmly establishing Your church, in their midst, grant that by his intercession, we may carry forward the light of Christ to all peoples, be they foreign or domestic and in doing so bring honor to your Son and glory to your church. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God for ever and ever. **AMEN** 

Immediate Past Governor. Archdiocese Galveston-Houston and the Diocese of Beaumont, Serra US VP of Membership, President	Candice Tyrrell
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# Useful links

Serra District 10 website	www.Serra10.com (All the past newsletters, etc.)
Serra International website	www.Serrainternational.org
Serra US website	www.SerraUS.org
Serra 27 programs	www.serraspark.org
Email items to Newsletter Editor	kiersten@soupjar.com



# **Dates to Remember**

**November 12, Thursday:** St. John Paul II Gala, River Oaks Country Club at 6:00 p.m.

**November 14, Saturday:** Bishop George Sheltz Archdiocesan Altar Server Appreciation at Co-Cathedral. Mass 10:00 a.m. Social distancing. Only two parents or a parent and guest invited with Altar Server. No General Admittance, RSVP a must

**November 14, Saturday:** Legionaries & Consecrated Women's Virtual Gala. 7:00pm-8:00pm https://www.rcgala.com/

**November 14, Saturday:** Prince of Peace Taco Fest 5:00pm-9:00pm in the parking lot \$20 per person benefiting Mercy Ministry call 281-469-2686 for tickets

**November 16, Monday:** Christian Renewal Center Golf Tournament 9:30am shotgun start Southshore Harbour Country Club

**November 17, Tuesday:** Matthew Kelly at 7:00 p.m. Save the date! Advance ticket purchase details coming soon.

**November 18, Wednesday:** Serra North Houston Club Program 7:00 p.m. Guest Speaker Father Ricardo Arriola

**November 23, Monday:** Holy Hour & Adoration by candlelight for Vocations 7:00pm Co-Cathedral. All Serrans invited to attend







# Splendor of Truth Gala

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2020

This year is a unique and exciting time for the St. John Paul II Foundation as we welcome the opportunity to offer both inperson and virtual options for you to participate in our 6th annual Splendor of Truth Gala. This event raises critical funds that allow us to continue our mission for life and family through education and formation and serve medical professionals, married couples, and our clergy.

#### In Person

6:00pm Cocktails 7:00pm Dinner

River Oaks Country Club 1600 River Oaks Blvd Houston, TX 77019

### Gala House Party Virtual Ticket

7:00pm livestream begins

Gala House Parties and Virtual ticketholders will have access to a private livestream of the event

### CLICK HERE FOR TICKET OPTIONS

We recognize the current situation and intend to continue with the Gala as outlined above. We know, however, this year is different and we will monitor guidelines as we approach November, but remain committed to hearken, boldly and prudently, to the words of our patron:

"Be not afraid!



### JOIN US FOR THE SIXTH ANNUAL



### MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

NEW DATE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2020

**NEW VENUE: ST. JOHN PAUL II FOUNDATION** 

DYNAMIC PRESENTATIONS | MASS RECONCILIATION | EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

IN-PERSON
CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE

\$59/COUPLE OR \$35/INDIVIDUAL

HOSTED BY THE ORDINARIATE OF THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER AND THE CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

AT-HOME
CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE

ACCESS PASS: \$15

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

FULL AND PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE, PLEASE INQUIRE.

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# CHRISTIAN RENEWAL CENTER (CRC) MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16 (SHOTGUN AT 9:30AM) SOUTH SHORE HARBOUR COUNTRY CLUB SPONSORS & PLAYERS

"Drawing people into a relationship with Jesus Christ & His Church through Retreat Ministry" – CRC Mission



### Sponsorship Opportunities:

For Businesses, Ministries, & Individuals:

- Hole-in-One \$10,000 (includes 8 playing spot)
- Tournament \$5,000 (includes 8 playing spots)
- Lunch \$2,500 (includes 4 playing spots)
- Breakfast \$1,500 (includes 4 playing spots)
- Hole \$1,000 (includes 4 playing spots)
- Program Ads \$175 \$500

### Players:

- Individual \$125
- ♦ Team \$500

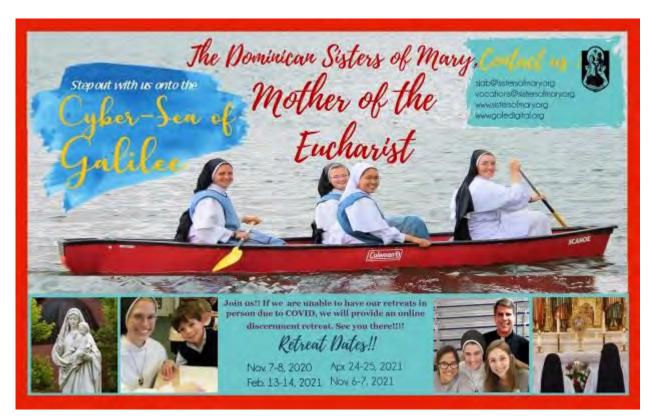
#### Profits Used For:

Operating the CRC

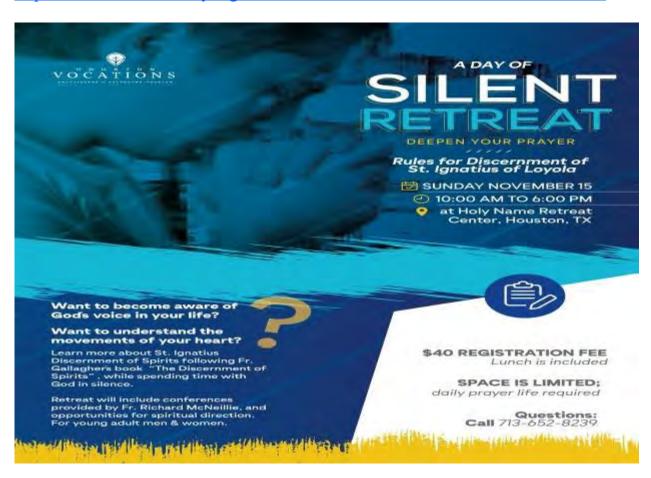


Check in at 8:00 am driving range open

Register online at www.retreatcentercrc.org or by calling 281-337-1312



https://www.sistersofmary.org/events/fall-2020-vocational-discernment-retreat/



### SAMUEL GROUP

A discernment group for young women, ages 19-30, who will meet together once a month for six months in order to study, pray, and discover their individual vocations or lifetime call from God.



"Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." 1 Sam 3:9

TUESDAY NIGHTS September 8, October 13, November 10, December 15, January 12, and February 9

6pm – 9pm St. Theresa Catholic Church 6622 Haskell St. Houston, TX 7700

More info: vocations@archgh.org or call us at 713-652-8239 Register at: https://cvent.me/9a5zy4



Approaching vocational discernment with peace, joy, and confidence



