

SPIRIT-LED NEWS



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, our Second Collection will be for the Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund. This is a different collection from the Religious Retirement Fund that is done each December. They have given their lives shepherding our communities, and we pray that they are adequately cared for, in this chapter of their lives. Envelopes are available at the back of the church or make a donation online by visiting our parish website, online giving. Mahalo!

EPIC MINISTRY: “Typology: Foreshadowing of Mary” Catechesis by Dallas Carter, Monday, May 9 at 7pm in the One Community Center. Rosary at 7 pm followed by presentation. Open to young adults ages 18-39.

Congratulations to our 2022 Holy Ghost Feast Royal Court! Queen: Tyra Reyes; Ladies-in-Waiting: Katie Boniog, Kaylee Jane Boss, Cecilina Jazlynn Cantero and Dace Jasmen Cantero.

Tickets for the Holy Ghost celebration on Sunday, June 5th may be purchased in the parish office during office hours. Cost is \$5.

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION (JOHN 10:27 – 30)

By Deacon Romeo Ganibe

In our gospel, Jesus says, **“My sheep hear my voice.”** The sheep are so close to the shepherd, their lives are so intimately bound together, that the shepherd's voice is instantly recognizable to them. The sheep follow the shepherd because they feel the vibration of his voice in their ears, and they recognize it. They feel in their bones that this is the one who is always speaking to them, this is the one who comforts them, and this is the one who nourishes them.

It's the same way with a newborn baby, who hears his mother's voice for the first time and knows that this is the one who had carried him/her for nine months, who had fed and who had spoken to the vibrations and movements of the womb.

New infants feel it in their bones, just as the disciples could feel the voice of Jesus in their bones, even though they might not understand all that he was saying.

Do we feel it in our bones? Are we so intimately connected to the shepherd that we know the one who carries us through our days, who feeds us at the church altar, and who speaks to us in every movement of the world? Do we recognize the vibrations of his voice in our souls?

We might look at the events in Ukraine, and the violence happening in our own State this past month and ask, “Where is our shepherd?” It may seem to us that his voice is as silent as the tomb. But we cannot forget the lesson of Easter. We cannot forget that in rising from the dead and sending forth the Holy Spirit, Jesus makes us one with him and speaks now through His Church, the Body of Christ. Christ speaks through the human body today just

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MISSION / VISION STATEMENT: WE ARE A CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY—called to develop a deeper relationship with Christ. Such a relationship is fostered through active participation in: *Word, Sacrament, Renewal Programs, Ministry/Service* and other ***Spirit-led*** activities.

We dedicate our time, talent, and treasure to install, in our parish community the basic building blocks of Christian living, ***to preach the Good News of Jesus Christ to all through our words, deeds, and lives.***

PASTOR Fr. Anthony Rapozo

In Residence Fr. John Gabriel

DEACON Dcn. Romeo Ganibe

*FULL Parish Clergy & Staff Directory available
on our website.*

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 8AM (Monday - Saturday)

Sunday: 5PM (Saturday Vigil), 7AM, 9AM,
11AM (Livestream)
youtube.com/c/SaintJohnMililani
& 6PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30PM

PARISH RECTORY HOURS

Monday 12PM - 4PM

Tuesday - Friday 8:30AM - 4:00PM

Saturday - Sunday Closed

Please call the office for all other inquiries:
Anointing, Baptisms, Blessings, Food Pantry,
Funeral, Homebound Communion &
Marriage.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE APR 30/MAY 1

Sunday Collection	\$ 10,299.50
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 4,802.00
Building, Equipment & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 854.51
OCC Capital Campaign (Non-Assessed)	\$ 545.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 6,615.76
Stewardship	\$ 25.00
Children's Collection	\$ 1.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 260.00
Candles	\$ 360.00
Social Ministry	\$ 52.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 25.00
Good Friday	\$ 25.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 3.00
Easter	\$ 145.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 10.00
Operation Rice Bowl	\$ 86.90
'Ohana in Christ	\$ 30.00
Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund	\$ 385.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 8.50
Mother's Day	\$ 1,487.00
Father's Day	\$ 10.00

WEEKEND TOTAL \$ 26,030.17





FR. ANTHONY'S STEWARDSHIP CORNER (CLIMATE AS A COMMON GOOD)

The climate is a common good, belonging to all and meant for all. At the global level, it is a complex system linked to many of the essential conditions for human life. A very solid scientific consensus indicated that we are presently witnessing a disturbing warming of the climatic system. In recent decades, this warming has been accompanied by a constant rise in the sea level. Also, it would appear to be an increase in extreme weather events, even if a scientifically determinable cause cannot be assigned to each a scientifically determinable cause cannot be assigned to each particular phenomenon. Humanity is called to recognize the need for changes in lifestyle, production, and consumption, to combat this warming.

Most global warming in recent decades is due to the great concentration of greenhouse gases (carbon dioxide, methane, nitrogen oxides, and others) released mainly as a result of human activity. If present trends continue, this century may well witness extraordinary climate change and unprecedented destruction of ecosystems, with serious consequences for all of us.

Climate change is a global problem with grave implications: environmental, social, economic, political, and for the distribution of goods. It represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day. Its worst impact will probably be felt by developing countries in the coming decades.

Many of the poor lives in areas particularly affected by phenomena related to warming, and their means of subsistence are largely dependent on natural reserves and ecosystem services such as agriculture, fishing, and forestry. They have no other financial activities or resources which can enable them to adapt to climate change or to face natural disasters, and their access to social services and protection is very limited.

Fr. Anthony Roper

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION (CONTINUE FROM PAGE 1)

as he did two thousand years ago.

When scripture is proclaimed in our midst, in a human voice, we hear the voice of Christ.

When the bread and wine are lifted up, and the priest says, "This is my body, this is my blood," we hear the voice of Christ.

And even more, when we take the time to talk with someone in need, Christ speaks through us. Our loving God is as close to us as the air we breathe, as the air that forms, to after the words we say. We might not understand the words nor comprehend his teachings but if we let his voice resonate within us; we shall never perish. Like a newborn in the hands of a mother, no one can take us out of his hands.

"God proved His love on the Cross. When Christ hung, and bled, and died, it was God saying to the world, 'I love you.'" – BILLY GRAHAM



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday May 9, 2022

8AM Ira E. Ordillas (RIP)
Patricia Becerra (Birthday Blessing)
Virginie Amo (Birthday Blessing)

Tuesday May 10, 2022

8AM William Bass, Sr. (RIP)
Ira E. Ordillas (RIP)
Norma Nazareno (Healing)

Wednesday May 11, 2022

8AM Stella Jones & Edna Tibeaux (RIP)
Rose Frias Ramiscal (RIP)
Catherine Datuin (RIP)
Teresita Flores Tuazon (RIP)
Patricia Sosa
(Birthday Blessing)

Thursday May 12, 2022

8AM Rose Frias Ramiscal (RIP)
Randy Antone (Healing)

Friday

8AM Baby Isabella Clarisse
(Birthday Memorial)
M/M Charley Jones (RIP)
Theresa Antone (Healing)

Saturday May 14, 2022

8AM Mark Pablo (Birthday Blessing)
Bella Salaver (Healing)
Henedine Smith (Birthday Blessing)
5PM McGarry, Gallogly, Barbour &
Tatistcheff (Blessing)

Sunday May 15, 2022

7AM Dorothy Elias (RIP)
9 AM For the People
11 AM Bella Salaver (Healing)
6 PM Lourdes Dela Pena (Healing)

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

NESTOR de la Cruz DEUZ (RIP), Thursday, June 16, 2022, St John A&E, Family: 8:30 am, Mass: 10:30 am, Burial: Mililani Memorial Park Cemetery: 11:30 am.

HEALING / BLESSINGS

Mairenui Tauotaha-Amo, Helen Guerrero, Art Apilado, Monique Carlmark, Jimmy Austin, Elaine Marterella, Thi Choi Nguyen, Christy Esposito, Kevin Gagan, Paulina Sarandi, Eduardo Islao, Joyce B. Bean, Teresa Montoya, James Kahala, Demetrio & Rita Galicinao, Rodney Keli'i, Hildegard Borowitz, Ron Thames, Carol Naumu, Bienvenido Roter & Norma Nazareno.

DECEASED

Hermie Madayag, Leonora Wong, Elaine Utu, Elizabeth C. Ancheta, Stacey Chambers, Louis Esposito, Paul Swider, James Smith, Adrienne Gregory, Reed Kamikawa, William Martin Bass Jr., Allan Garvida, Mark C. Propios, Ernie C. & Fumiko K. Sombrero, Teresita F. Tuazon & John J. McCormick, Jr.



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Accrual Basis

St. John Apostle & Evangelist Catholic Church
Profit & Loss Budget Performance
March 2022

	Mar 22	Budget	Jul '21 - Mar 22	YTD Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
40000 · OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Gross receipts from services)	64,518.63	60,660.00	580,830.86	633,035.00
42000 · OTHER REGULAR INCOME	4,372.00	7,192.00	36,945.01	34,578.00
45000 · REVENUE SUBJECT TO GET	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00
47000 · UNUSUAL (NON-SCHEDULED) INCOME	90.82	60.00	1,655.12	540.00
49200 · NET ASSETS RELEASED-CAPITAL PRJ	0.00	0.00	54,426.74	0.00
Total Income	69,231.45	67,912.00	674,107.73	668,153.00
Gross Profit	69,231.45	67,912.00	674,107.73	668,153.00
Expense				
50000 · EMPLOYMENT COSTS	17,163.94	18,719.00	185,087.76	177,981.00
51000 · PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	3,103.31	3,810.00	47,703.75	50,990.00
51500 · INSURANCE	0.00		51,638.50	61,359.00
51700 · LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT	1,159.68	5,475.00	10,174.63	14,375.00
52000 · SUPPLIES AND OTHER SERVICES	5,491.05	9,549.00	77,377.66	94,939.00
53000 · REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	9,807.52	2,147.00	71,038.90	24,346.00
54000 · UTILITIES	4,686.08	2,969.00	28,487.48	26,721.00
55000 · CONTRIBUTIONS AND ASSESSMENTS	13,468.00	13,735.00	121,194.00	123,815.00
56000 · INTEREST EXPENSE	7,266.57	7,415.00	67,151.99	67,552.00
57000 · TAXES	150.00	30.00	300.00	570.00
Total Expense	62,294.15	63,849.00	680,154.67	642,648.00
Net Ordinary Income	6,937.30	4,063.00	13,953.06	25,505.00
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
70000 · TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED ASSETS				
71100 · Temporarily Restricted Donation				
71120 · Other Restricted Donations	245.00	0.00	5,072.65	0.00
71123 · Building & Maintenance Collecti	2,484.00	0.00	23,356.00	0.00
71131 · Building Fund Collection	1,625.00	0.00	33,111.00	0.00
71150 · Capital Project Pledges	0.00	0.00	2,050.00	0.00
71155 · Debt Reduction (Used to pay down OCC loan)	12,041.25		56,441.27	
Total 71100 · Temporarily Restricted Donation	16,395.25	0.00	120,030.92	0.00
77000 · Net Assets Released - Cap Proj	0.00	0.00	-54,426.74	0.00
Total 70000 · TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED ASSETS	16,395.25	0.00	65,604.18	0.00
Total Other Income	16,395.25	0.00	65,604.18	0.00
Net Other Income	16,395.25	0.00	65,604.18	0.00
Net Income	23,332.55	4,063.00	79,557.24	25,505.00

In fulfillment of our stewardship virtues of accountability and transparency, the Parish Finance Council presents this financial statement. All questions may be addressed to the Finance Council.

Respect Life: “O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers”

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PICK OF THE WEEK

May 8, 2022

WATCH

FATIMA GEMS

Fatima Gems, hosted by Fr. Andrew Apostoli, focuses on the beauty of Our Lady's messages to three young children in 1917. This series demonstrates ways to apply the Fatima teachings to our everyday lives, showcasing that this apparition is just as relevant to our culture today as it was 100 years ago.



FORMED LIVE!

Feast of the Ascension

May 21st, 2020

FORMED LIVE: FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

Join Drs. Tim Gray and Ben Akers as they discuss the feast of the Ascension! In this video, these two scholars provide powerful insights about the significance of the number 40, Jesus' conquest as the new Joshua, and the Kingship of Christ!

LEARN

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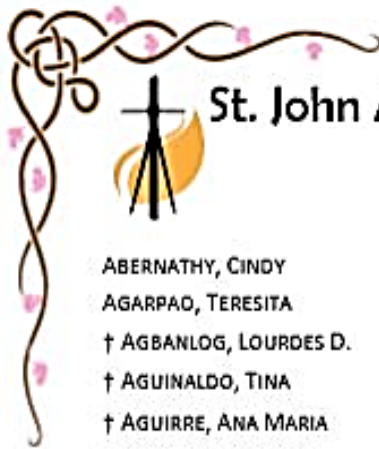
REAL WOMANHOOD BY LISA COTTER

What does it mean to be a real woman in today's culture? Join Lisa Cotter in her talk Real Womanhood, as she draws on modern-day saints, St. John Paul II to define what it means to be an authentic woman.

REAL WOMANHOOD
LISA COTTER

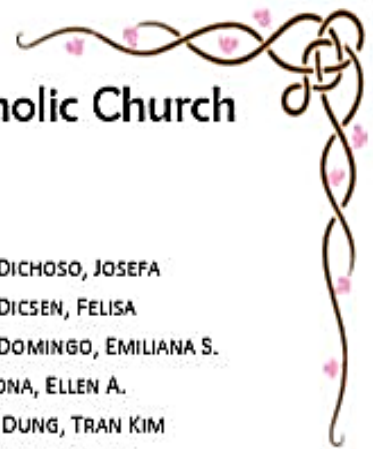


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St. John Apostle and Evangelist Catholic Church

Mother's Day



ABERNATHY, CINDY
 AGARPAO, TERESITA
 † AGBANLOG, LOURDES D.
 † AGUINALDO, TINA
 † AGUIRRE, ANA MARIA
 † AGUIRRE, LORRAINE
 AIU, ANGELICA
 AIU, RINDA
 AIU, VERLIE
 † ALBARRACIN, LEONELA
 † ALHAMBRA, FILOMENA C.
 † ALQUISA, FRANCISCA
 † AMBROSIA, FLORA O.
 AMO, VIRGINIE
 † ARAKI, SALLY
 † ARCARI, ANGELA P.
 † ARMANT, LINDA
 AQUINO, GLORIA
 AQUINO, PERLA
 BADUA, FLORIDA
 † BAPTISTE, MINNIE S.
 BARAYUGA, JOSIE
 † BARAYUGA, MARCELA
 † BARAYUGA, ROSENDA
 † BARAYUGA, SALVADORA
 BATES, PEARL
 † BELOY, CORA
 BENAVENTE, MATILDE
 † BENICTA, FRANCES L.
 † BENITEZ, IGNACIA VALDEZ
 BETZ, REGINA
 † BISCOCHO, ROSALINDA M.
 † BLESSED MOTHER MARY
 BOLAN, ANGELA
 BOLAN, JUDITH
 † BOLOSAN, EVELYN L.
 BROACH, DARLENE

BROWNING, AGGIE
 BROWNING, BARBARA J.
 † BURNETT, CARMEN
 CABANILLA, FRANCINE
 † CABAUATAN, JULITA
 CABAUATAN, LEAH
 CAUMUM, NELLY
 CAUO, CATHERINE
 CAUO, MARIELLE
 † CALLEJO, CARMEN
 † CANILAO, ESTELA
 † CASEY, ELLA
 † CASTRO, ESTEFANIA L.
 † CASTRO, LEONORA
 † CHAVEZ, MAGDALENA
 † CHICHI, VIRGINIA
 CHRISTIANSEN, ROSENIA
 CLARK, WINNIE
 † CLARKE, FRANCES
 † CORPUZ, VISITACION
 † COYLE, AUDREY I.
 CRISOSTOMO, MELISSA
 CRUZ, BIENVENIDA
 CWOC SISTERS
 DAVIDE, PAULA S.
 † DAVIS, LARRINIA
 † DEANG, ROSITA O.
 DECOSTA, BRIANA
 DECOSTA, RAMONA
 DE GUZMAN, FE
 † DELA CRUZ, CLARA
 † DELA CRUZ, LEANDRA
 † DE LEON, CORONA
 DELOS REYES, CATHY
 † DEPONTE, OLYMPIA
 † DE RANIERE, NADIA

† DICHOSO, JOSEFA
 † DISEN, FELISA
 † DOMINGO, EMILIANA S.
 DONA, ELLEN A.
 † DUNG, TRAN KIM
 ECLAVEA, MARIE
 EGUCHI, LINDA
 † ESTRELLA, BELEN M.
 FERNSLER, YOSHIMI
 FUKUDA, BETH
 † FOUCHE, MARY
 GALICIANO, MARGARITA
 † GALILA, TRINIDAD D.
 † GANZON, ANNE
 † GARCES, SALOME
 † GONZALEZ, JULIA
 GONZALEZ, MEREDITH
 † GORA, MARY KUULEI
 † GORNIAX, VALERIA
 † GOROSPE, CRISPINIA S.
 GRACE, BERNIE
 † GRACE, GLADYS K.
 GUERRERO, HELEN
 GUERRERO-TANO, JOLLY
 † GUEVARRA, CONCHITA
 GUINTO, CORNELIA N.
 GUZMAN, MARIA
 † HAGI, KATHERINE
 HAHN, DOLORES
 HARTNETT, MARY
 HARTZEL, RUTH L.
 † HERT, ELSIE JAMES
 † HERT, ELVETRA V.
 HERT, STACEY
 HERT, VIRGINIA M.
 † HESTER, ARDEN
 HIGA, BETHANY

† = Rest in Peace



Mother's Day Remembrance and Blessings continued...

HIGA, LIZ, LINDSEY, SUNNY & KELLY

HIGA, MARGARET

† HIGA, PUA

† HORTA, GRACIA VI

† JONES, CECILE T.

† KAHAUHELIO, CECILIA

† KAHOLOKULA, CHERLE "Ipo"

† KALUA, ANITA

† KAMAI, MELITA

KEKIWI, DOMINIQUE

† KEKIWI, JEAN

KIMURA, RHONDA

† KULIKOWSKA, CHARLOTTE

† KULIKOWSKA,, HONORATA

† KUZIO, JEANETTE

LAMADORA, GLORIA

† LANSANG, FELIPA

† LAPENTA, SADIE M.

† LAPINID, CONSOLACION

LIGAYA, CATALINA M.

† LIM (Ah Sio), MARY

†LOBUSTA, CIRILA

† LOGGINS, MILLIE

† LOONEY, HELEN

LOONEY, MAXIMA

† LOQUERE, MARIA

LUDWICK, FE S.

† LUDWICK, NANCY

† MALDONADO, ALVERIA

† MANDAP, DOLORES

† MARQUES, ELIZABETH R.

† MCGUE, EMMA JAMES

† MIDDLETON, MARY FOSTER

MILES CHRISTI SISTERS

† MOLDONADO, ALVERIA

MONTOTO, ADDIE

† MOPAS, CHRISTINE

MUNDELL, CARMEL

† NAONG, FRANCES

NAUMU, CAROLINE

† NAVAHTA, ERLINDA

† NAVARES, MARTINA

† NAVARRO, JOSEPHINE

NAZARENO, MAGDALENA

OCAMPO, PERLA

† ONG, IRENE

ORARA, IRENE R.

ORARA, IRMA R.

† ORIBIO, REMIGIA

† PAALUHI, ELIZABETH

† PABLO, ENGRACIA

PALOMA, EMMIE

† PALOMA, NOBERTA

† PANGANIBAN, BRIGIDA

† PAPKE, ANNIE

† PERRY, MAMIE B.

† PERRY, VIRGINIA S.

PHILLIPS, JEAN

† PONCE, HILARIA

† PRITIKIN, AMY

QUINATA, ALICE

† QUINONES, EMMA

† QUIROZ, CATHY

RABAGO, CRISPINA S.

† RABAGO, SIMEONA

RABANG, TIFFANY MARIA

RAMOS, JEN B.

RAMOS, LIANA

† RAMOS, MURIEL

RAMOS, STACIE

RAPOZO, STEPHANIE

† REYES, ZENaida

RIVERA, MAGDALENA

† ROBELLO, MARY

† ROBERSON, ALICE

† RODIL, CORAZON R.

† ROMBAOA, VALERIE

ROMERO, ISABEL

† RULLODA, FILOMENA

SABADO, CONNIE

† SABLÁN, MARIA GUERRERO

† SADUCOS, FELICISIMA

SALER, MARIE C.

† SANTIAGO, CANDIDA

SALVADOR, ALEXIS

† SALVADOR, CONSOLACION

† SCHLACHTA, BUNNY

† SELVAGGIO, PATRICIA

† SEQUEIRA, BETTE

SHELTON, MARIA HERT

SHOCKLEY, CHANEÉ

SIANGCO, MARILLYN

† SIANGCO, ROSARIO

† SOLIVEN, MERCEDES

† SOMBRERO, FUMIKO K.

† SONICO, ELISA

SOUZA, SELENE

† SOUZA, MARY ELAINE

† TADDA, MARIANNA

TADDA, ROSALIE

TAGLINAO, GREGORIA

† TAKASE, PHYLLIS

TAMAYO, ESPERANZA

TAMAYO-NAVARRO, VILMA

† TAUOTAHA, MAMA MAHINE

† TETAHAIMAUI, AMELIE

THI KET, DOAN

† TOKUDA, TRUDY

UNCIANO, ANGELINE

VANTA, LEONILA

† VERGOZA, PETRONILA

† VINCENT, LORRAINE

† WALSH, ESTELLE

† WONG, KAY

† WONG, LEONORA

† WONG, PAULINA

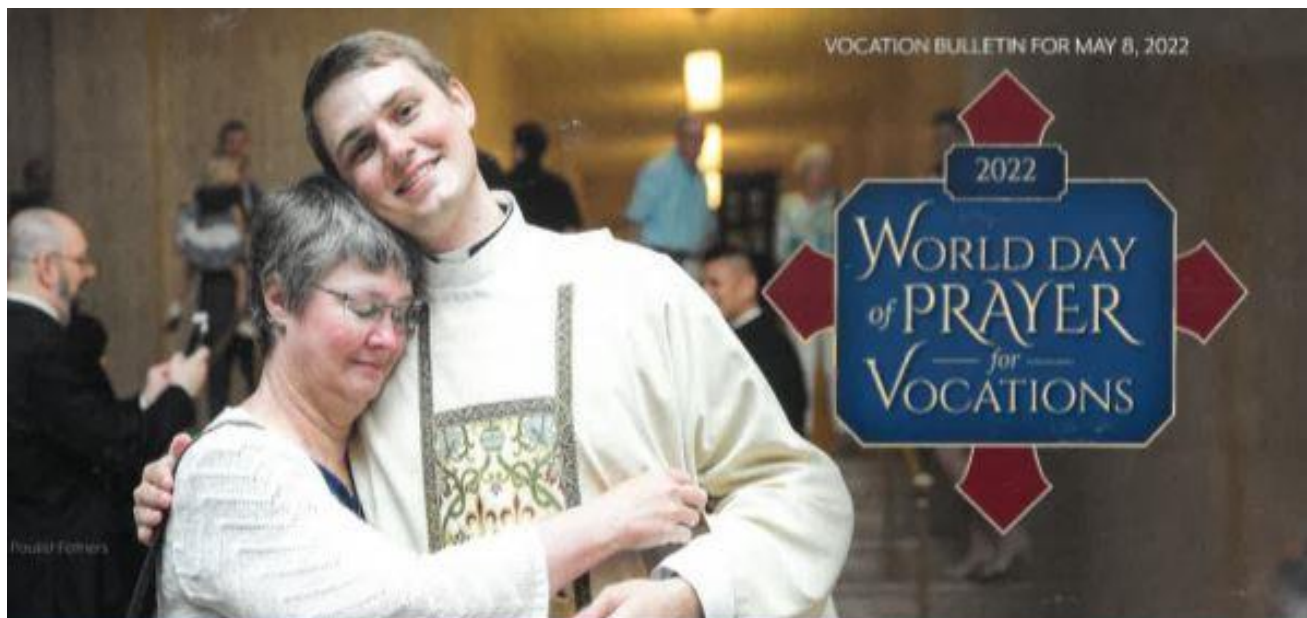
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YAMAMOTO, JULIA

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"EVERY PRIESTLY VOCATION PASSES THROUGH THE HEART OF A MOTHER." ~POPE PIUS X

Vocation Director 'Boot Camp'

TRAINING THE GATEKEEPERS FOR SEMINARIES

Every year, about 50 new Vocation Directors are appointed in the 250 dioceses in the U.S. and Canada. Often they are younger priests, typically ordained just three to ten years, whom bishops have chosen for a critical job: to inspire, mentor, and screen men who feel called to the priesthood.

"I'm more of a guide, not a recruiter," said one Vocation Director from a Southeastern diocese. "I help guys listen to God's voice; whether it's to marriage or priesthood, that's up to Him, not me." Importantly, Vocation Directors act as gatekeepers, ensuring that very rigorous standards are upheld before accepting men to seminary.

But who trains the Vocation Directors on how to vet future seminarians? For the past 15 years, a very robust "bootcamp" for new Vocation Directors has been held by the NCDVD (National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors). Officially called the "Institute for New Vocation Personnel," it features veteran instructors who dive deep into the candidate screening process, with a strong emphasis on human maturity and psychological evaluation.

Vocation Directors are well aware of the gravity of their task. "People are always going to ask you how many seminarians you have, but don't get fixated on the numbers," said one of the instructors. "Instead focus on forming good, holy men who can serve as faithful priests."



Diocesanpriest.com lists all Vocation Directors in the U.S. and Canada.



ONE RING TO SERVE THEM ALL

Pope Pius X (1835-1914) was a very humble man who had a saintly mother, Margarita Sanson. Because they were so poor, she worked as a washer woman and a school janitor to earn enough money so that he could go to the seminary. (In those days, the family had to pay for the seminarian's education.) When he was installed as Pope, his mother was present, and as was the custom, she kissed his large papal ring. She then presented her tiny hand with her wedding ring and said, "Now you kiss my ring—for without it, you never would have received yours!"



Discerning Together

"Discernment groups" are a growing trend among young Catholics. Last fall, a group of college women at Oklahoma State University spent six weeks discerning religious life together. They met for prayer and discussion, served the poor together, and ended with a fun outing.

"Vocations are born in prayer and from prayer; and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit." –Pope Francis

Serra is 13,000 Strong



Have you ever wanted to get serious about encouraging young people to consider priesthood or religious life? You're not alone! Some 13,000 Catholics worldwide in 46 countries belong to Serra International, the Church's official lay organization to promote vocations.

Local Serra Clubs have made a huge impact in their dioceses with projects ranging from planning discernment retreats to organizing vocation essay contests. One such successful initiative is Serra Spark (serraspark.org), a website with clear directions on how to carry out dozens of initiatives in parishes and schools.

Saint Junipero Serra (above), the patron of Serra International, is lauded as the "Founder of California." To find a Serra Club near you, visit serrainternational.org

Sisters to the Rescue

Because so few Catholic children encounter religious sisters in person these days, an effort is underway to bring sisters to them! Veteran children's book artist Michael Corsini is illustrating a series for kids aged 4-10 entitled *Little Convent in the Big City*, filled with the adventures of Sr. Mary Andy and her brave sisters. Pre-order at vianneyvocations.com



GoPriest.com

Take a discernment self-test, request free books on discernment, and access the new "Nine Holy Hours to Discern the Priesthood."