MISSION STATEMENT: To foster and affirm vocations to the Ministerial Priesthood and vowed religious life in the USA and through this ministry, further our members’ common Catholic faith.

Letter from Bill Barrett, President
Greetings and thank you for your Vocations!

Come join us May 31st for Vespers at 5:15 and Mass at 5:30 at Sacred Heart for the June 1st ordinations of Deacons Terry Ball and Scott Foley, along transitional deacon James Flattery. An hour of Eucharistic Adoration will follow Mass. It will be a wonderful experience, and a perfect opportunity to pray for our new priests and deacon.

On Saturday, June 1st, there will be a reception with a light lunch following the Ordinations, which will take place at 10am at Sacred Heart Cathedral. If you haven’t experienced an Ordination, please join us! It is a beautiful and grace-filled experience.

On June 6-7th, the Vision 20/20 meetings will take place. Pray for its success for our Diocese. June 28th is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please pray for Vocations as well as peace for our world. July 1st is St. Junipero Serra’s feast day. Also, mark your calendar for August 4th summer gathering to meet the seminarians, retired priest, and sisters who are dedicated to God’s service.

St John Vianney parish has started their kick-off of the 31 Club prayer sign-up after being announced from the pulpit and in the bulletin. They designed a binder for 31 days for sign-up, as well as a picture of different items from their Church. 33 people signed up to pray for Vocations each month. Thank you to Tom Touney and his committee for a great start!

We appreciate your support for Vocations and the St Serra Club
May God Bless you all,
Bill Barrett,
St. Serra Club President

Letter from Father Sia, Chaplain
At this time, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have been working hard for this year’s Ordination celebrations. I appreciate the St. Serra Club for assisting at the Ordination Mass, for providing the meal for the post-Ordination reception, and for the gifts that they are giving to the newly ordained. I’m sure it feels good to see some fruits of your labor and prayer. Let this be a moment of hope for us that more men will answer God’s call to the priesthood in our Diocese.

This summer, our seminarians will be at their assignments – four of them will be in Omaha for the IPF Spirituality Program, two in hospital ministry training, two will be team members for Totus Tuus. one will be studying Spanish in Mexico, and one will be taking college courses. Our transitional deacon, James Flattery, will be in the Riverside parish cluster getting his feet wet in rural parish ministry!

Let us continue to prayerfully support these fine men in their discernment of their vocation!

Have a great summer!
Fr. Joseph Sia
CATHOLIC MESSENGER NEWS

- http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2019/05/countdown-to-vision-20-20-convocation-preparing-the-delegates/
- http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2019/05/totally-yours-totus-summer-youth-program-schedule-announced/
- http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2019/05/ordinations-for-two-priests-one-deacon-set-for-june-1/
- http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2019/05/sr-talarico-taught-was-librarian/

ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES-JUNE

Phil Ryan, 6/1/57;                             Chris Young, 6/7/14;  
Robert Schmidt, 6/1/57;                        Rob Lathrop, 6/9/01;  
Dave Hitch, 6/1/68;                           Bill Hubmann, 6/9/79;  
John Hyland, 6/1/68;                          Dave Wilkening, 6/9/79;  
Michael Volkmer, 6/1/68;                      Bruce DeRammelaere, 6/10/06;  
Lou Leonhardt, 6/2/56;                        Paul Connolly, 6/11/83;  
Tom Doyle, 6/2/62;                            Tim Sheedy, 6/12/76;  
Tom Reilman, 6/3/61;                          Bill Kneemiller, 6/12/99;  
Denny Martin, 6/3/67;                         Bill Reynolds, 6/13/81;  
Tom Spiegel, 6/3/67;                          Paul Appel, 6/14/03;  
Ed Dunn, 6/3/72;                              Jeff Belger, 6/14/03;  
Gary Beckman, 6/3/95;                         Troy Richmond, 6/14/03;  
Chris Weber, 6/3/17;                          Robert Walter, 6/16/45;  
Frank Henricksen, 6/4/55;                     Dennis Hoffman, 6/16/90;  
Robert Spiegel, 6/4/66;                       Rich Adam, 6/17/88;  
Vitolds Valainis, 6/4/66;                      Stephen Page, 6/19/87;  
Bill Wiegand, 6/4/05;                         Jack Gallagher, 6/21/80;  
Ron Hodges, 6/4/06;                           Bernie Weir, 6/21/86;  
Ross Epping, 6/4/16;                          Denis Hatungimana, 6/21/09;  
Bob Harness, 6/5/82;                          Scott Lemaster, 6/22/85;  
Charles Fladung, 6/5/92;                      Tom Parlette, 6/23/89;  
Steve Ebel, 6/6/70;                           Corey Close, 6/23/12;  
Andy Kelly, 6/6/70;                           Jason Crossen, 6/24/00;  
George McDaniel, 6/6/70;                      Joseph Phung Van Phung, 6/24/00;  
Bill Roush, 6/6/15;                           Jim Betzen, 6/26/81;  
Guillermo Treviño, Jr., 6/6/15;               John Spiegel, 6/26/76;  
Kevin Anstey, 6/7/14;                        Chuck Adam, 6/27/86;
Bob Cloos, 6/7/14;                             
Dave Steinle, 6/7/79;

SAVE THE DATE

May 31st– 5:15pm Vespers, Mass, & Holy Hour- Sacred Heart Cathedral

June 1st– 10:00am Ordinations at Sacred Heart Cathedral

August 4th-Summer Picnic at Sacred Heart

November 15th-Thanksgiving Dinner with Guest Speaker Jon Leonetti