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Sharon O'Malley
9/9/1927 - 9/27/2016
was called home to the Lord.

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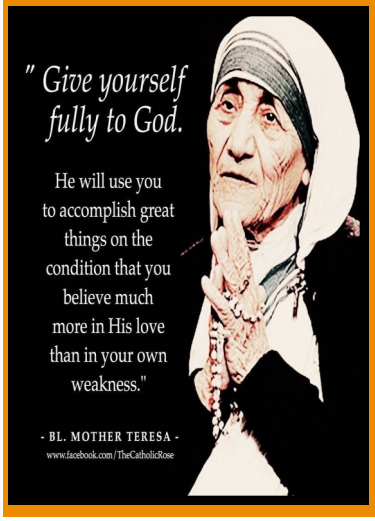
Dorothy Schatzman
2016-2017
President
Serra Club
El Paso Texas

This Summer passed so quickly I can hardly believe it! From our "Meet the Seminarians" Summer Barbeque on a July evening replete with wind, light rain and storm clouds to the Summer Olympics followed by the Paralympics in Rio and now a very intense presidential election to say the least; and in the middle of this uncertainty and decisions about our collective national future we celebrated Mass honoring the first anniversary of the canonization of our patron Saint Junipero Serra who was also the subject of intense criticism and support prior to his Sainthood. Sound familiar? After Mass we enjoyed a well presented and exquisite dinner while hosting some of our priests and seminarians at the Greenery. Peggy Navar coordinated the event and we are most grateful for her expertise in making this such a memorable moment from the table decorum to the ambiance of the evening. Thank you Peggy for all of your hard work! We recently mailed our Serra Club Annual Appeal. Your financial support is greatly appreciated. Please mark your calendar for our annual Christmas Party scheduled for Thursday December 8th, 2016 at the El Paso Club... and finally with mixed emotions of grief and joy please join me in your prayerful intentions for the repose of the soul of Sharon O' Malley who joined her husband Robert E. O'Malley, one of our founding Fathers, in eternal life on September 17, 2016. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let the perpetual light shine upon them and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen!
Yours in Christ
Dorothy Schatzman



Calendar Events for October through December 2016

1. October 3rd: Monday 11:30 AM Trustee Meeting Angry Owl
2. October 21st: Friday 11:15 AM "Holy Half Hour" Luncheon El Paso Club Downtown:
3. October 29th Saturday 9:00 AM Mass at St Charles Borromeo Seminary
4. November 7th: Monday 11:30 AM September Trustee Meeting at The Angry Owl
5. November 18th Friday 11:15 AM "Holy Half Hour" Luncheon El Paso Club Downtown:
6. December 5th: Monday 11:30 AM Trustee Meeting Angry Owl
7. December 8th Thursday 6:00 PM Christmas Party at The El Paso Club Downtown
8. December 17th Saturday 11:00 AM Diaconate Ordination for Phillip Cong Vo Van Horn,TX
9. January 2nd Monday 11:30 AM Trustee Meeting at The Angry Owl

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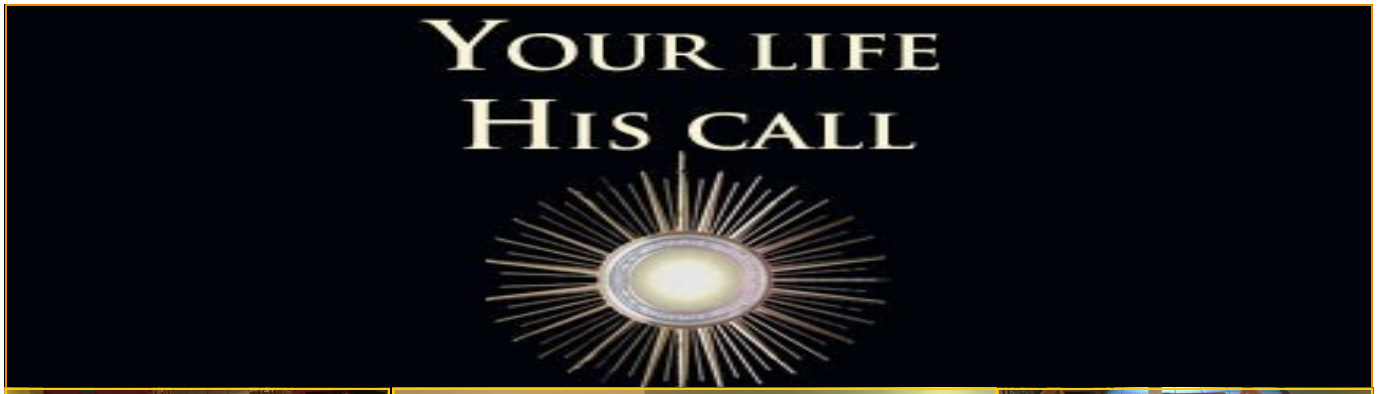
September 7th was our Annual St. Juniperio Serra Dinner with our Seminarians

We had a lovely turn out with many Seminarians and Serra Members Meeting after a Mass at St Patrick Cathedral. The room was decorated with little mini missions that were lit up and the decorations were adorable. An awesome job! ***Thank You*** **Peggy Navar!**



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Special Vocation Prayer

Gracious and loving God, under the inspiration of Our Lady of Guadalupe, raise up men and women of our parish to the call to serve in the Diocese of El Paso. Our needs are great and our people thirst for your presence. Open the hearts of many, raise up faithful servants of the Gospel, dedicated, hold priest, sisters, brothers and deacons, who will spend themselves for your people and their needs. Bless those who are serving now with courage and persever-ance. Grant that many will be inspired by their example and faith to serve in the ministerial priesthood, consecrated life and lay ministries.

Your Prayers are requested for:

Serra Members & Our families:
A special prayer for Wally & Jane Thomson and
Tom & Lillian Walters,
Rudolph Miles, Al Adkins, Albert Haag, Billy Kern, MD., Gerald Quinnan,
Robert & Sharon O'Malley.
Mary Brock, Julie Loomis, Virginia Neessen
We also pray for an increase in Applicants to our club and
for those aforementioned
dedicated members whose legacy made our
current formation possible.
We accept that we are responsible for our efforts and
Almighty God is responsible for the results!

Why do Catholics pray for the dead?

By Fr. Joe Scott May 18, 2008

The earliest Scriptural reference to prayers for the dead comes in the second book of Maccabees

http://bustedhalo.com/ministry-resources/why-do-catholics-pray-for-the-dead

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Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta Canonized: September 4th 2016

Mother Teresa MC, known in the Catholic Church as **Saint Teresa** of Calcutta (born *Anjezë Gonxhe Bojaxhiu*, Albanian: [aˈɲɛzə ˈgɔndʒɛ bɔjaˈdʒiu]; 26 August 1910 – 5 September 1997), was an Albanian-Indian Roman Catholic nun and missionary

We Pray for Vocations!

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Pope Francis canonizes Mother Teresa before St Peter's Square masses

Pontiff says late nun shamed world leaders who created 'crime of poverty', after ordering 1,500 homeless people to take seats of honor at ceremony

Please remember in your prayers the family of Robert & Sharon O'Malley
{pictured here with his Excellency Armando Xavier Ochoa}

Sharon Butler O'Malley
September 9,1927
September 17, 2016

God Looked around His Garden and He found an empty place. He then looked down upon this Earth , and saw your blessed face. He put His arms around you and lifted you to rest. God's garden must be beautiful. He always takes the best. It broke our hearts to lose you but you didn't go alone. For part of us went with you the day God called you home.

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Serra Club Invites your to PRAY for Vocations! For our Diocese of El Paso, Texas!

Our Seminarian
Phillip Cong Vo
will be Ordained a Deacon at
Our Lady of Fatima Church in
Van Horn, Texas
This December 17th 2016
11:00 AM Central Time
We will let you know more about the date and time!

Seminarians visit Van Horn, Texas

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Seminarian: Phillip Cong Vo
From: Vietnam
Assumption Seminary

We are grateful to have
Twenty-thee (23) Seminarians who will server our Diocese of El Paso County, Texas.
Your continued financial, participatory and prayerful support is now and will always be greatly appreciated by those who will be ministered to in their moments of personal refection, crisis, grief and joy by each of these and all future Seminarians supported by your Serra Club!

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Seminarian: Victorino Lorezca
From: Philippines
Assumption Seminary

Seminarian: Miguel Perez
From: Colombia
Sacred Heart Seminary

Seminarian: German Alzate
From: Colombia
Mundelein Seminary

Seminarian: Michael Lewis
From: El Paso, Texas
Mundelein Seminary

Seminarian: Ivan Montelongo
From: Philippines
Mundelein Seminary

Seminarian: Peter Venegas
From: El Paso, Texas
Conception Seminary

Seminarian: Sergio Legarreta
From: Meoqui, Chih
Conception Seminary

Seminarian: Alfonso Coronado
From: Chihuahua, MX
St. Mary's Seminary

Seminarian: Angel Valdez
From: El Paso, Texas
Sacred Heart Seminary

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Enclosed are photographs of our Seminarians! Please welcome then when they visit your parish. When you greet them, please offer them a word of encouragement and a "pat on the back!" They are the future of our Church!

Seminarian: **Luis Rodarte**
From: El Paso, Texas
St Charles Borromeo

Seminarian: **Francisco Enriquez**
From: El Paso, Texas
St Charles Borromeo

Seminarian: **Jose William Aravelo**
From: Colombia
St Charles Borromeo

Seminarian: **Sam Anchondo**
From Pecos, Texas
St Charles Borromeo

Seminarian: **Aldo Camacho**
From: Chihuahua, MX
St Charles Borromeo

Seminarian: **Martin Munoz**
From: El Paso, Texas
St Charles Borromeo

Seminarian: **Daniel Avalos**
From: El Paso, Texas
St Charles Borromeo

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Seminarian: **Edroud Jean Ph**
From: Haiti
St. Charles Borromeo

Seminarian: Christus Alapini
From: Benin, Africa
St. Mary's Seminary

Seminarian: Henry Rodriguez
From: Colombia
On Leave

Seminarian: Angel Tarango
From: Chihuahua, MX
Mundelein Seminary

Seminarian: Wilbert Colas
From: Haiti
Sacred Heart

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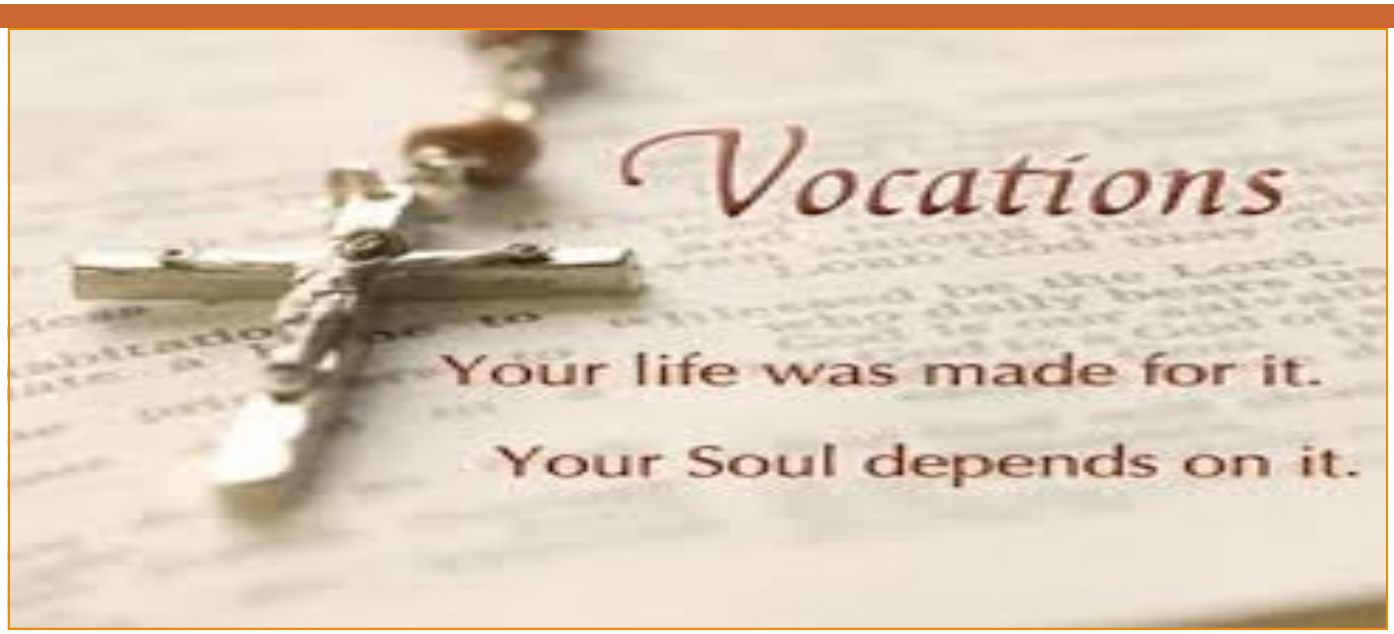

Our prayers are being answered! We now have twenty three seminarians in the Diocese of El Paso who are studying for the priesthood. These young dedicated men will dedicate themselves to nine years of preparation for Ordination. They will study in seminary's throughout the United States. Their coursework will include Philosophy, Theology and Parish Administration.

The Serra Club of El Paso supports these young men on their journey and encourages all vocations throughout our Diocese. We offer each seminarian a monthly stipend and sponsor exquisite dinenr and fellowship socials during the year. Please join us!.

For more information or to join us as our guest for an upcoming monthly luncheon Please visit serraclubelp.com

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Please join us this month for our Holy Half-Hour, lunch and experience our guest speaker's as they share moments of their journey in this life with Christ!

SERRA CLUB:
Invite, Pray, Encourage and Affirm our Catholic Faithful!

Our next Luncheon:
November 18th 2016
El Paso Club
Downtown
Who are you Inviting?
Please RSVP! To
contact@serraclubelp.com

May the Good Lord Continue to Bless you!
God Loves you!

Our Mission Statement is…

to foster and affirm vocations to the priesthood and vowed religious life in the Diocese of El Paso through this ministry and affirm our members' common Catholic faith

Is God calling you to Serra Club as a Vocation?

Just a friendly Reminder:

Our Serra Trustee meeting is on the First Monday of each month.

Monthly Luncheon:

Lunch Meetings are held on the third Friday of each month. Please remember that a luncheon guest fee of $20.00 per person invited is due prior to the blessing! Thank you!

Join Serra Club!

Support our Seminarians:
Today's Seminarians are our Pastors of Tomorrow

{Photos clockwise from upper left} 1. Virginia Neessen & Jeannine Nobles; 2. President Dorothy Schatzman presents a Mass Kit to Reverend Frank Hernandez . 3. Fr. Frank accepts his gift from Dorothy. 4. Ron Settle {as one of our newest members} receives his Name Badge of Honor. Look at how happy he is! Make someone you know happy by introducing them to The Serra Club .

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