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October 14 Patricia Santy

By Tom Lang, Vice President and Programming Chair

Our Friday, October 14th breakfast speaker will be Patricia Santy, M.D., O.P., who our members may recall served as the flight doctor for the crew of the ill-fated U.S. Space Shuttle Challenger mission.

Pat is now a lay Dominican who works in a healing prayer ministry and has written a wonderful book, "Prodigal Daughter: A Journey with Mary," in which she details how, through a series of dreams, she found her way back to God and Mary. She will have copies of her book available for purchase at our breakfast.

In her own words, Pat admits she was raised in a severely dysfunctional family and had swallowed the culture's lies about womanhood and motherhood. After she angrily rejected God and Mary, she set out to become a self-directed, self-made woman — an "anti-Mary."

Her marriage crumbled, she struggled with the burden of having an abortion, and she began to wonder if the God she had rejected might actually exist.

Eventually, Pat found healing, love, and deep joy by passing through the "garden" of the rosary. In her book and in her talks, she speaks from her own experience about her amazing journey. She shares powerful arguments for the existence of God and for the rightful place of Mary in the believer's journey toward Him.

We look forward to you joining us for our October breakfast to hear from Pat, who but for the grace of God and through the intercession of Mary, would never have found either.

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The Month of the Most Holy Rosary

From Jim Flanagan:

October is the month of the Most Holy Rosary, with the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

celebrated on October 7. CP&BC member Jim Flanagan reminds us to pray the rosary with a quote from American Needs Fatima.

"Now more than ever, we Catholics need to grab our rosaries and pray with all our might because we are faced with situations in our country, in our private lives, and in the Church that are very serious and confusing. Let us set aside our fears and take comfort in Mary. Let Her be Our Hope in these turbulent times that we face today ...

We have a powerful weapon in the rosary. Let us cling to it and ask Our Heavenly Mother to intercede for us and everyone for the greater glory of God."



Silent Angel: A Novella

by Antonia Arslan Ignatius Press San Francisco, 2020 112 pages paperbound By John Kasaian

While written as a novella, "Silent Angel" is based on the true story of the survival of a sacred illuminated manuscript, "The Book of Moush," the "Msho Charantir"

or "Book of Sermons" copied in 1202 and kept at the Surp Arakelots (Holy Apostles) Monastery in the valley of Moush.

Two young women return to their village to find it annihilated by the Turks in the 1915 Genocide. With everyone in the village dead, they make their way to the monastery looking for survivors. They find a small boy playing dead in a cellar, and a Greek couple who had been working as laborers, and fled. Together they find the monastery ruined and pillaged. While searching for food and anything else they could use on their journey to safety, the little boy finds a chicken and follows it into a workshop where he finds the Book of Moush hidden under a pile of straw. It is three feet long, a foot and a half wide and weighs thirty pounds. The two women are called to save the manuscript, and this is the story of how this broken group of exiles played a part in preserving the manuscript which survives to this day.

Silent Angel is an eloquent story of personal sacrifice to preserve the word of God during a dark, tragic time.

I found it well worth reading, especially now as days grow short and Autumn hints at the desperation of seasonal change.

You can pick up your copy at Cotter's Religious Goods.

Diocesan Event Corner

If your parish or Catholic organization is hosting an event open to all the Diocese of Fresno, we ask for you to notify us no less than six weeks before the event. We will gladly post this in our newsletter mailed to all CP&BC members.

Contact Tim Dodd for more information (559) 860-9198:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 12:15 PM

8th Annual Blue Mass for all first responders and those who work in public safety, celebrated by Bishop Brennan

Location: St. John's Cathedral, Fresno For more information visit dioceseoffresno.org

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 10:00 AM

Mass Of Ordination to The Order of Deacon for 17 Candidates

Location: Holy Spirit Church: seating limited or live stream

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2022

28th Annual Marian Eucharistic Conference Location: Holy Spirit Church, Fresno For more information visit dioceseoffresno.org



Stay Connected with Prayers!

Prayers when you and your loved ones need them the most! It's amazing, simply join the CP&BC Prayer Network, call or email your requests, and our network will pray for you.

To join, or update your email address contact Sally Lauritzen salautitz@att.net or 559-439-8378. If you have not received an email in the last month, Sally needs your new email address.

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Contact Denise Correia vavi@cns4u.com

October Prayer St. Teresa Benedict of the Cross (Edith Stein)

Dear Sister Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

Child of the Day of Atonement – Yom Kippur,

Daughter of Abraham,

Bride of Christ,

Seeker of truth,

Scholar of the Church,

Handmaid of Our Lady of Mt.

Carmel,

Servant of the Suffering Servant,

Presence of mercy,

Victim of victimizer,

Embracer of the Cross of Christ-

like love,

Martyr of Auschwitz,

Imitator of Jesus,

Conqueror of evil,

Friend of God, Edith,

Please pray for me.

Please intercede for this petition of .

(Here mention your petition).

Amen

Saint Edith Stein, Sister Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Pray for us.

A Jew who converted to Catholicism, she would not renounce her Jewish background and was killed at Auschwitz. She is honored for her living her life in solidarity, i.e. to believe and live in the world as members of one human family.

September Speaker Recap Orlando Javien, Jr.

By Norma Williams

September's kick-off speaker was Orlando Javien, Jr. who wears and has worn many hats: workaholic, binge drinker, husband, father, teacher, author, speaker, and podcaster who owns a bookkeeping and tax preparation service in San Diego. Though a cradle Catholic, he "met" God in 2007 while attending a Protestant men's

prayer group and found himself desiring what he saw in them. The goal at that time was not to be Catholic.

Orlando outlined five ideas for success in business and life in general:

- 1. Learn to listen, not just with the ears but with the heart. Don't try to "fix" everything. Pause before you respond. Religiously, look for what's right in the Catholic church. He felt God telling him, "There's a fire inside, let me use you."
- 2. Learn to serve, especially family first. In the words of Gandhi, "Lose oneself in the service of others."
- 3. Remember where you came from, especially the dark places, enabling one to empathize with others. He credits his mother for planting early seeds which would later flourish in the church.
- 4. Practice unconditional love. Mimic God's love to the world.
- 5. Learn to carry, not curse, your cross. Without the mess, there is no message, he states. Don't be afraid to take off one's mask and show vulnerability. One's cross is not just personal but an example for those who observe and might follow.

Contact: https://javien.biz



September Business Person of the Month Ana Paula Redditt

Ana Paula Redditt is a Portuguese immigrant who earned her American Citizenship over 15 years ago. She was born in Mozambique in Eastern Africa, and moved to Portugal when she was fourteen. Being raised in diverse cultures and moving to the US at 25 created a unique perspective on life and faith in God.

Ana Paula has been blessed to build her business with Guarantee Real Estate over the last seven years and was one of the top ten agents in her company office for 2021. Additionally, she has been joined in her work by her daughter and son-in-law, which has been a huge blessing.

She works daily to grow her knowledge of real estate and importantly, of her relationship with God. She volunteered as a special advocate with Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children (CASA) for over 10 years. She is a parishioner at Holy Spirit Church where she also sings in the choir on Sunday, and she is also an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.

Upcoming Events

- November 11
- December 9
- January, no meeting

Pope's Worldwide Prayer

October: A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

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Reservations: Reservations are required for all breakfast meetings held at Pardini's and can be made by sending an email to reservations@cpbcfresno.org or by calling Denise Correia at 559-434-2722 or by visiting the website www.cpbcfresno.org then click on the reservation link. Doors open at 7:00 a.m. for coffee and networking.

The program starts at 7:20 a.m. and concludes at 8:30 a.m. The breakfast cost is \$25 for members and their guests and \$30 for non-members. An option to attend via ZOOM is available with a requested link and password for members only. An annual discounted cost of \$175 is available to members that prepay annual breakfast. Prepaid members are also requested to make reservations.

Membership Directory: Ad space in the annual 2023 Membership Directory starts at \$60. The deadline for advertising reservations and artwork is December 31, 2022. For more directory information, email directory@cpbcfresno.org or call Denise Correia at 559-434-2722.

Prayer Network: CP&BC has a "prayer network" to be used for member prayer needs for themselves or loved ones. We have members already signed-up to pray for special needs submitted; however, anyone else is invited to also become part of the prayer network. Sally Lauritzen is the point person to whom requests can be made, and once they are received she will email or phone the network. Contact Sally (salauritz@att.net or 559-439-8378) to become part of the network or to submit a prayer request.

Website: Please be sure to visit www.cpbcfresno.org for all the latest information about our club. CP&BC thanks J. Colin Petersen of J - I.T. Outsource for the design and maintenance of the website. CP&BC also thanks Uhuru Network, LLC for their design and preparation of the newsletter.

Misson Statement:

As Catholic professional and business men and women, we are called to live our Christian ethics not only on Sundays, but throughout our daily lives at home and at work.

Our goal in the Catholic Professional & Business Club shall be to incorporate and uphold our beliefs in every aspect of our daily lives, and to gather to share with others who seek a more ethical business environment.

Each of us shall strive to achieve a commingling of our ethical obligations and our professional obligations in demonstration of the fact that ethics and business need not be mutually exclusive terms.

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