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September 9 Orlando Javier, Jr.

By Tom Lang, Vice President and Programming Chair

Our kick-off speaker for CP&BC Fresno's fall season on September 9 is the dynamic Orlando Javier, Jr. coming to us from San Diego.

Orlando operates a bookkeeping business by day and is known as a storyteller who believes everyone has a story. In business, that story is your financial picture. The story tells if your company is making money or losing money and why. The problem with many small businesses is they neglect to examine or actually write out their story.

When Orlando began his faith journey, his goal was actually not to be Catholic. Although born, raised, and married in the Catholic Church, his faith walk would begin at a Protestant Church.

Desiring to lead his family in the right path, Orlando constantly prayed that God would open his wife's eyes to the errors of the Catholic Church. What God did instead was open his eyes to what was right in the Catholic Church.

Orlando's fervent prayer was that God would light a fire upon his wife's heart. What God did was tell him to stop blowing out her flames.

Orlando's passionate desire was to be used in the building of God's Kingdom. God told him that would be done if he allowed it to be done in the Catholic Church.

Perplexed with that call upon his life, he took it to prayer and gained the wisdom to accept the call. Orlando is now an inspiring voice for the Catholic Church sharing his passion as an inspirational speaker.

Orlando talks openly about issues of faith and also shares his beautiful journey back to the Catholic Church. Orlando believes that by sharing his struggles and successes others can find freedom and faith beyond ordinary.

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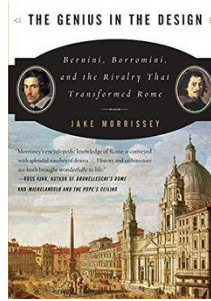
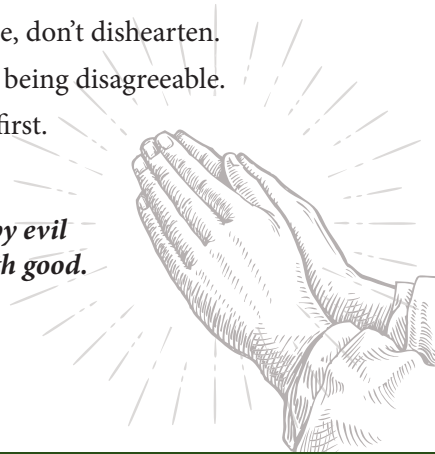
Ten Reminders for Christophers

Some Good Ideas at the Beginning of our New Club Year

From Jim Flanagan

1. Depend more on God, less on self.
2. Share the truth, don't hoard it.
3. Be world-minded not just local-minded.
4. Go among people, don't avoid them.
5. Be a doer, not just a talker.
6. Offer ideas, don't impose them.
7. Aim to serve, not be served.
8. Inspire confidence, don't dishearten.
9. Disagree without being disagreeable.
10. Keep first things first.

*Do not be overcome by evil
but overcome evil with good.*



The Genius in The Design

by Jake Morrissey
Harper Perennial, New York 2006
320 pages, paperback

By John Kasaian

I found this to be a fascinating book on the lives and times of two rival architects in 17th century

Rome whose brilliance transformed Rome into the extraordinarily beautiful city it is today. Gianlorenzo Bernini and Francesco Borromini earned the patronage of powerful families and popes, and were commissioned to build treasures such as St Peter's Basilica, San Giovanni in Laterano, the Piazza Navona as well as numerous other chapels, fountains, and churches all over Rome.

Bernini's and Borromini's lives were intertwined by intense competition for commissions and patrons, and while they began as colleagues their relationship became heated and even hostile. Just the engineering problems they had to solve would make an interesting book, but here we have the complete drama encompassing art, the Roman Curia, stone cutters, murder, mayhem, and more.

It's an entertaining history and one of the best parts (for me) is that people seeing me reading this book on 17th century Roman Architecture presumed that I'm smarter than I actually am. Here's your chance to impress the clientele at Starbucks – pick up your own copy at Cotter's.

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:

Catholic Charities 19th Annual Harvest of Hope

Saturday, September 24, 2022, 5:30 PM

Valdez Hall, Fresno

For more information visit dioceseoffresno.org

7th Annual Divine Mercy Golf Tournament

Friday, September 30, 2022

Belmont Country Club, Fresno

For more information visit dioceseoffresno.org
or Marshall Garth (559) 347-7219

28th Annual Marian Eucharistic Conference

Friday, October 28, 2022

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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September Prayer

to End the Use of the Death Penalty

Merciful Father, we ask your blessing on all we do to build a culture of life. Hear our prayers for those impacted by the death penalty.

We pray for all people, that their lives and dignity as children of a loving God may be respected and protected in all stages and circumstances.

We pray for victims of violence and their families, that they may experience our love and support and find comfort in your compassion and in the promise of eternal life.

We pray for those on death row, that their lives may be spared, that the innocent may be freed, and that the guilty may come to acknowledge their faults and seek reconciliation with you.

We pray for the families of those who are facing execution, that they may be comforted by your love and compassion.

We pray for civic leaders, that they may commit themselves to respecting every human life and ending the use of the death penalty in our land.

Compassionate Father, give us wisdom and hearts filled with your love. Guide us as we work to end the use of the death penalty and to build a society that truly chooses life in all situations.

We ask this Father through your Son Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

Amen

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops



June Speaker Recap Tim Staples

By Norma Williams

By age 10 Tim Staples knew he wanted to be a preacher, yet in his early teens he ran from God and became totally out of control at 16. He returned to faith in his late teens with a fervor for converting others, influenced by Assembly of God TV evangelists Jim

Baker and Jimmy Swaggart. His favorite targets were Catholics, and he was determined to prove the Catholic Church wrong. He knew he lacked discipline, which he found in the Marine Corps. His fundamental anti-Catholic viewpoints were challenged by a fellow Marine who was well versed in the faith. In his explorations, he would ask, "Is this the devil?" and "Show me this is false." Finally, in 1987 his Catholic understandings went "from head to heart," attributed to the intercession of Mary. After college and seminary training, he became a Catholic apologist and now is Director of Apologetics and Evangelism at Catholic Answers.

In October 2021, Tim suffered a major stroke with months of brutal rehab which he considers a blessing for teaching humility and purification. He spoke of how in the midst of trials, confession can be a powerful healer. Trust in God must not be in abstract terms, but in absolute dependence.

Comments Tim shared: Take time for quiet meditation, for often where one wants to go is not what God wants, and sometimes it hurts. He believes that Marian doctrines are important for spiritual growth. To those who may be disillusioned with the Church, Tim advises, "Don't leave Peter because of Judases." Focus must always be on the presence of Jesus in one's life. He stresses not to take faith and the Church for granted – share!

A prolific writer, Tim recommends his books "Nuts and Bolts" (explaining and defending Catholicism), "Behold Your Mother," and "Surprised by Truth" (on eleven converts), as well as his video "Why Be Catholic?" These may be ordered at a discount with free shipping by calling (619) 599-0205.

Website: www.TimStaples.com

Upcoming Events

- October 14
- November 11
- December 9

Pope's Worldwide Prayer

September: Abolition of the Death Penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country

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CP&BC Membership Dues: Annual dues are \$55 per person and are due August 31, 2022. The deadline for the 2023 Membership Directory is December 31, 2022. For more information contact Denise Correia at 559-999-9153 or email membership@cpbcfresno.org.

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.

Mission 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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