

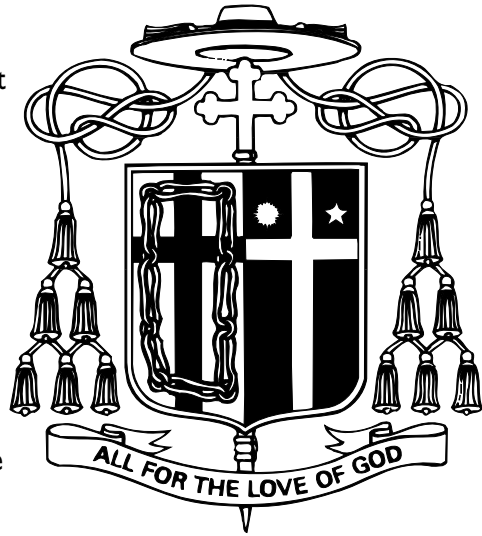


Mission Statement

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 fact that ethics and business need not be mutually exclusive terms.



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Catholic Professional Business Club of Merced

NEWSLETTER

MAY 2008

CLERGY/RELIGIOUS APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

MAY 15TH

The Merced CP&BC will hold its annual clergy and religious appreciation luncheon on Thursday, May 15, 2008 at noon in Merced at St. Patrick's Parish Hall, 671 E. Yosemite Avenue. We had an amazing turnout last year and hope to repeat that success or even exceed it this year. We are blessed to have such dedicated priests, deacons, and religious sisters serving the people of God in the parishes of the Merced deanery. They will be our guests that day. Plan to reserve a table for your parish organization or bring a couple of fellow parishioners and celebrate with us. Luncheon tickets are \$15.00 each. Call Raylene Smith at 723-4929 by May 10th to make reservations.

May 15th is also the day when we begin our 10th anniversary celebration. We anticipate having a display representing each parish in our deanery. These foam boards were distributed to each pastor at the December 2007 deanery luncheon. Hopefully, each priest has selected someone from their parish to creatively highlight the history of the parish as well as the ministries served by the parish. We would like to have them by the first week in May so we can prepare the display. If you need us to pick up your completed foam board or need another one please contact Brenda Feehan at Brenda@olmdtpatrick.org

MERCE D-MARIPOSA DEANERY CLERGY

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Rev. Tom Timmings, Pastor
Rev. Mr. Kelly Canelo, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Anthony Mendez, Deacon

Holy Rosary, Hilmar

Rev. Hilary Silva

Our Lady of Mercy/St. Patrick's, Merced

Rev. Msgr. Patrick J. McCormick
Rev. Anthony Iromenu
Rev. Mr. Joseph Smith, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Jose Morales, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Charles Reyburn, Deacon

St. Columba, Chowchilla

Rev. Angel Sotelo
Rev. Mr. Anthony DiMaggio, Deacon

Sacred Heart, Merced

Rev. Jesus Reynaga
Rev. Mr. Trinidad Guadarrama,
Deacon

Sacred Heart, Planada

Rev. Msgr. Anthony Janelli
Rev. Mr. Javier Higareda, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Higinio N. Yanez, Deacon

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Membership Note

Membership in the Catholic Professional Business Club of Merced is open to all Christians. This organization offers its members and guests the opportunity each month to enjoy a meal and listen to a business professional share how their faith has been a part of their life and accomplishments. CPBC Annual memberships run from January through December of each year, with no monthly meetings in July, August and December.

Regular membership dues are just \$35.

Dues can be paid at any monthly meeting or by sending a check to the following:

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MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Wouldn't it be great to set a record by reaching 100 members during this 10th anniversary year? We are getting closer all the time, with 81 members. As of April 16th we had 48 regular members at \$35.00 and 33 annual members @ \$135.00 each. The annual members, in addition to receiving the monthly newsletter, are entitled to 10 meals at our monthly meetings. They may be used all at one time, a few at a time, or monthly. Think about inviting a guest to come with you so they can find out the great programs and activities our club has to offer. Membership applications are available at all monthly meetings and our membership committee and other board members are available to answer any questions you might have about the Merced CP&BC.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

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| May 15 | Clergy/Religious Appreciation Luncheon
12:00 noon at St. Patrick's Parish Hall
671 E. Yosemite Avenue, Merced |
| June 12 | Breakfast Meeting, John Abbate, Speaker – Mary's Mantle
Maternity Home
7:30 a.m., St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Merced
671 E. Yosemite Avenue, Merced |
| July 24 | Merced CP&BC 10 th Anniversary Celebration/Western
Barbeque
Joseph Gallo Farms, Joseph Farms Cheese Headquarters
10561 W. Highway 140, Atwater, CA
6:30 p.m. Cocktails
7:30 p.m. Dinner |

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Thank you, thank you to our newsletter sponsors for the next 9 issues! Joe and Helen Amarant of Amarant Propane in Atwater have generously decided to defray the cost of printing our newsletters. We are grateful and appreciative.

10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Calling all CP&BC members, past and present and future! Tables for our 10th Anniversary Celebration on July 24th are selling fast! Make sure you'll be with us at Joseph Gallo Farms, Home of Joseph Farms Cheese, for a western barbeque and live entertainment on Thursday evening, July 24th. Come for cocktails at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. The theme is western and dress is casual. Merced CP&BC's founding President, Mike Gallo and his wife Lori have invited us for a wonderful evening. This will not be a fundraiser, but rather a chance to honor the gift that our Merced CP&BC has been in our deanery for the past 10 years. Tickets are \$15.00 each or \$120.00 for table of eight. You may phone in your reservation or reserve a table for eight by calling Raylene Smith at 723-4929. If you are an annual member, you may not use any of your 10 meals for this event. They are for our regular meetings only. Bishop Steinbock will be joining us for the evening. Of course, we want you with us too!

SPIRITUAL READING SUGGESTIONS

Book: **On the Job Spirituality: Finding God in Work**
Author: **Marianne E. Roche**
Publisher: **St. Anthony Messenger Press**
Price: **\$10.95**

For some, work is something to be endured until we can tend to things that are more pleasant, to enjoy "real living". By reflecting on the very nature of work and on the internal and external forces that distort our attitude toward our work, Marianne Roche challenges us to see the work of God in all of our jobs and chores. She examines in four parts the many facets of our experience of work – "Work as Prayer," "Overcoming Personal Barriers," "Confronting Cultural opposition," and "Creating a Personal Spirituality of Work." Each chapter ends with reflection questions and implementing practices. Good food for thought.

TIME OUT TO LAUGH

A wife invited some people to dinner.
She turned to her six-year old daughter and said, "Would you like to say the blessing?"
"I wouldn't know what to say," the girl replied.
"Just say what you hear Mommy say," the wife answered.
The daughter bowed her head and said, "Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"

Unedited test answers from school children:
When Mary heard that she was to be the mother of Jesus, she sang the Magna Carta.
Christians have only one spouse. They call it monotony.
Moses led the Jews to the red sea where they made unleavened bread which is bread without any ingredients.

Deaneries of Fresno

The Diocese of Fresno is divided into five Deaneries or areas within which are comprised the various parishes. Each deanery has an elected dean who represents the bishop in the particular area, presides over deanery meetings and gives input to the bishop regarding the needs of the People of God in the deanery.

MERCED/MARIPOSA DEANERY

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Harvey Fonseca, V.F.

Atwater
St. Anthony

Chowchilla
St. Columba

Dos Palos
Sacred Heart

Firebaugh
St. Joseph

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Our Lady of Miracles

Hilmar
Holy Rosary

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Mariposa
St. Joseph

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