

# DI<sup>OC</sup>ESAN

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## News

### GOOD NEWS

#### 2009 Bishop's Awards

October 17, 2009

##### Church of the Presentation

Bishop Blaire is pleased to announce the 2009 Bishop's Awards Honorees:

##### C. Joseph Crane

Life of Community Service  
*St. Bernadette, Stockton*

##### Sr. Regina Alonzo

Life of Religious Service  
*Sisters of the Cross, Modesto*

##### Rev. Dr. Bill Brennan

Life of Religious Service  
*Church of the Presentation, Stockton*

##### Charles and Hedy Harding

*(Hedy passed away on April 19, 2009 and will be honored in memoriam)*

Life of Service to the Poor  
*Our Lady of Fatima, Modesto*

##### Antoinette (Toni) Moran

Life of Youth Service  
*Church of the Presentation, Stockton*

##### Frank and Mercy Dumo

2009 Bishop's Awards Chairpersons

#### ANNUAL REPORT '07 – '08

This year's diocesan Annual Financial Report has been produced as an e-Newsletter rather than in a magazine format. This method of production and delivery is economically appropriate these days, as well as ecologically wise. If you would like to

subscribe to the e-Newsletter, please send your name by e-mail to: [editor@stocktondiocese.org](mailto:editor@stocktondiocese.org)  
The complete audited statements can be found on the Diocesan web site at: [www.stocktondiocese.org/english/diocese/09-08FSDOS.pdf](http://www.stocktondiocese.org/english/diocese/09-08FSDOS.pdf)

### FUTURE EVENTS

#### Considering Priesthood?

##### Mini Retreat for Priestly Vocations

Date: July 25th

Time: 9:00 am to 3:30 Pm.

Place: Convent in Modesto next to St. Stanislaus Church on Maze blvd. Please call St. Stanislaus Parish to request more information: 209/525-4381. Small groups will be conducted in English and Spanish.

#### Seminary News

Sam West graduated from St. Patrick's Seminary on May 8, 2009 with his degrees: STB, M Div and an MA.

Our Seminarians have been assigned to parishes, CPE, and English immersion classes for the summer.

#### Helping Youth Make A Difference for Good!

YouthLeader, in collaboration with the Diocese of Sacramento, is offering Youth to Youth Ministry Training:

July 15-18, 2009

Marello Youth Center, Loomis, CA  
\$100 per participant within the Stockton & Sacramento Dioceses  
\$265 per participant for groups outside our Diocese.

YouthLeader prepares youth (*those who have completed 9th grade and older*) for leadership and discipleship. Youth and adults attend YouthLeader in parish and school ministry teams. These teams can involve youth who participate in many diverse leadership and ministry roles within the parish, school, and community.

YouthLeader is based upon the following principles:

- The voice of youth must be heard if we are to announce the Good News to its fullest.
- Youth have gifts and chrisms to share in leadership and ministry.
- Youth who are striving to be young disciples deserve training and support.

Contact Ann Marie Avansino for more information: [aavansino@stocktondiocese.org](mailto:aavansino@stocktondiocese.org) or 466-0636 ext 633

#### Religious Ed Events

The last DRE Networking meeting for 2008-2009 will be on Friday, June 12 from 9:30 – 1:30 at St. Anthony's Manteca: Hosting, Sister Kathleen Garcia. Ministry Calendars for 2009-2010 will be completed at this meeting.

FYI: Sister Gloria DeJesús will be on Retreat and Community Meetings during the month of July 2009. Since the secretary will also be out on maternity leave, the Office of Religious Education will not be open for business in July. We will be back to serve you, as always on Monday, August 3, 2009