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To: Pastors, Deacons, Directors of Religious Education, Knights of Columbus, Newman Centers, Parish Vocation Committee Members, School Principals, Secretaries, Religious Sisters, Youth & Young Adult Ministries

From: Fr. Guillermo (Mémo) Hernández ^{OK Fr. Mémo}
Director of Vocations

Date: February 11, 2022

Subject: Vocations Workshop for Lay-People in English and in Spanish! **(New Location)**

Please find the attached updated flyer and registration link for the upcoming workshops that will help create a parish environment that will awaken and help vocations to the priesthood, religious life and the vocation to marriage flourish. The workshop will be offered in English and in Spanish. We invite and encourage all who serve in the different ministries of the parish to participate in this workshop. Especially the ministries that work with families and youth in your parish. The following is the latest information:

Event: Vocations for Priestly & Religious Life in your Parish! - Workshop for Lay-People
Date: Sunday, March 6, 2022
Time: 10am to 3pm
Location: St. Joseph Parish, 9961 Elk Grove-Florin Rd., Elk Grove, CA 95624
Cost: \$20 (lunch is included)
Registration: www.scd.org/vocations (News & Events)

The workshops will be offered by speaker Rhonda Gruenewald, founder of *Vocation Ministry* (<https://vocationministry.com/about/about-the-author/>), who will provide valuable information about the role that a parish community has in the work of creating awareness, promoting, accompanying and maintaining vocations in our parish community and ministries. We are all connected!

Updated Suggested Bulletin Ad: The following is a suggested ad for your bulletin, *MyParishApp* and/or your website:

Vocations for Priestly & Religious Life in your Parish! Vocations Ministry Workshop for Lay-People
(New Location): Sunday, March 6, 2022 from 10am to 3pm at the St. Joseph Parish, 9961 Elk Grove-Florin Rd., Elk Grove, CA. This workshop is for lay-people who are interested in supporting vocations and in gaining tools to systematically work on creating awareness, promotion and sustenance of vocations to priesthood and religious life. *All ministries are invited!* The workshop will be offered by our guest speaker Rhonda Gruenewald, founder of Vocation Ministry. Please register by February 25th at www.scd.org/vocations (News & Events). Cost: \$20 (lunch is included). For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at (916) 733-0258 or by email at msmith@scd.org.

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WORKSHOP FOR LAY PEOPLE

Vocations for Priestly and Religious Life in Your Parish!



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Sunday, March 6, 2022 • 10am to 3pm • Lunch provided
St. Joseph Parish, 9961 Elk Grove Florin Rd, Elk Grove, CA 95624
Please RSVP for \$20 by Friday, February 25, 2022:

scd.formstack.com/forms/vocation_ministry_workshop_laypeople

This workshop is crafted for all lay people interested in supporting vocations and gaining tools to systematically work on creating awareness, promotion and sustenance of vocations. The following areas will be discussed:

- What is a vocation ministry?
- Why the parish is the best place for this lay-led ministry / committee
- Activity ideas in the categories of Prayer, Awareness & Education, Youth, and Affirmation
- Elements of a vocation-producing parish
- How to invite young people to discern their vocation
- Examples and positive impact of vocation-producing parishes and dioceses
- Information on statistics showing that most vocations to priesthood and religious life come from parishes where lay-people and schools are involved in this ministry on regular basis.
- Valuable information about the role that your parish community has in the work of promoting, accompanying and maintaining vocations in the young people and families.



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