

Welcome to St. John's



Monterey Deanery Meeting
August 10, 2013

Opening



PRAYER

The image features a close-up of a hand in a prayer position, with fingers interlaced, resting on an open Bible. The entire scene is overlaid with a semi-transparent green filter. Bright, radial light rays emanate from behind the hand, creating a spiritual atmosphere. The word 'PRAYER' is written in large, white, distressed capital letters across the lower portion of the hand. The Bible pages visible in the bottom left corner contain text from the Gospel of Matthew, including verses 21 through 23.

Opening Sentence (said together)


- Thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity,
- whose name is Holy,
- “ I dwell in the high and holy place,
- with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit,
- to revive the spirit of the humble,
- and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.”
- *(Isaiah 57:15)*



The General Confession


- Almighty and most merciful Father,
- we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
- we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,
- we have offended against thy holy laws,
- we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
- and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.





■ But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
■ spare thou those who confess their faults,
■ restore thou those who are penitent,
■ according to thy promises declared unto
mankind
■ in Christ Jesus our Lord;
■ and grant, O most merciful Father, for his
sake,
■ that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous,
and sober life,
■ to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Absolution

 The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. *Amen.*



Psalm 126

1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, * then were we like those who dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our tongue with shouts of joy.

3 Then they said among the nations, *
“The Lord has done great things
for them.”

4 The Lord has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.

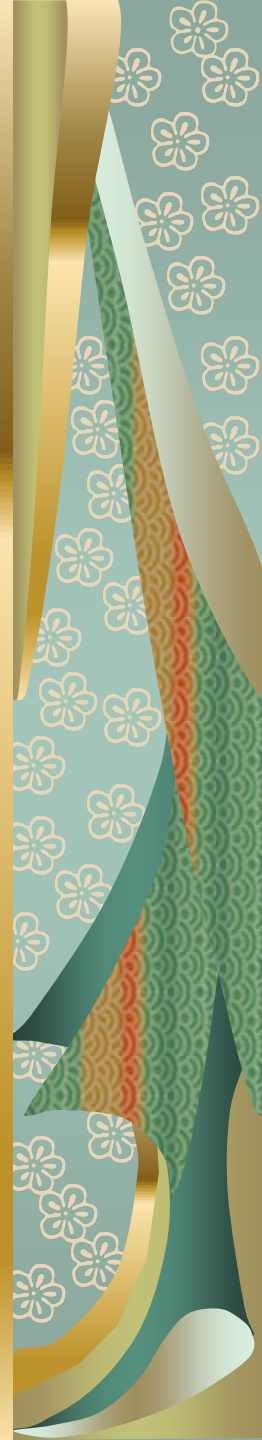


Psalm 126


■ 5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, * like the watercourses of the Negev.

■ 6 Those who sowed with tears * will reap with songs of joy.


■ 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, * will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.




A reading from John 12



24 The truth is, a kernel of wheat must be planted in the soil. Unless it dies it will be alone-- a single seed. But its death will produce many new kernels-- a plentiful harvest of new lives.



25 Those who love their life in this world will lose it. Those who despise their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.



26 All those who want to be my disciples must come and follow me, because my servants must be where I am. And if they follow me, the Father will honor them.



The feast of:
Laurence, Deacon
and Martyr at Rome
August 10, 258

■ Laurence standing
before Emperor
Valerian

■ Painting by
Fra Angelico 1450

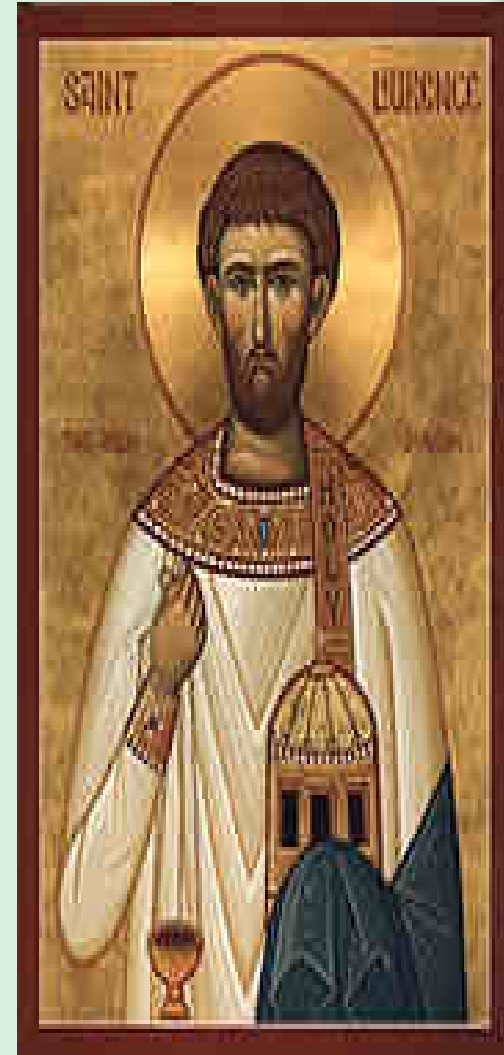


St. Laurence

Martyred during the persecution initiated in 257 by Emperor Valerian. The persecution was aimed primarily at the clergy.

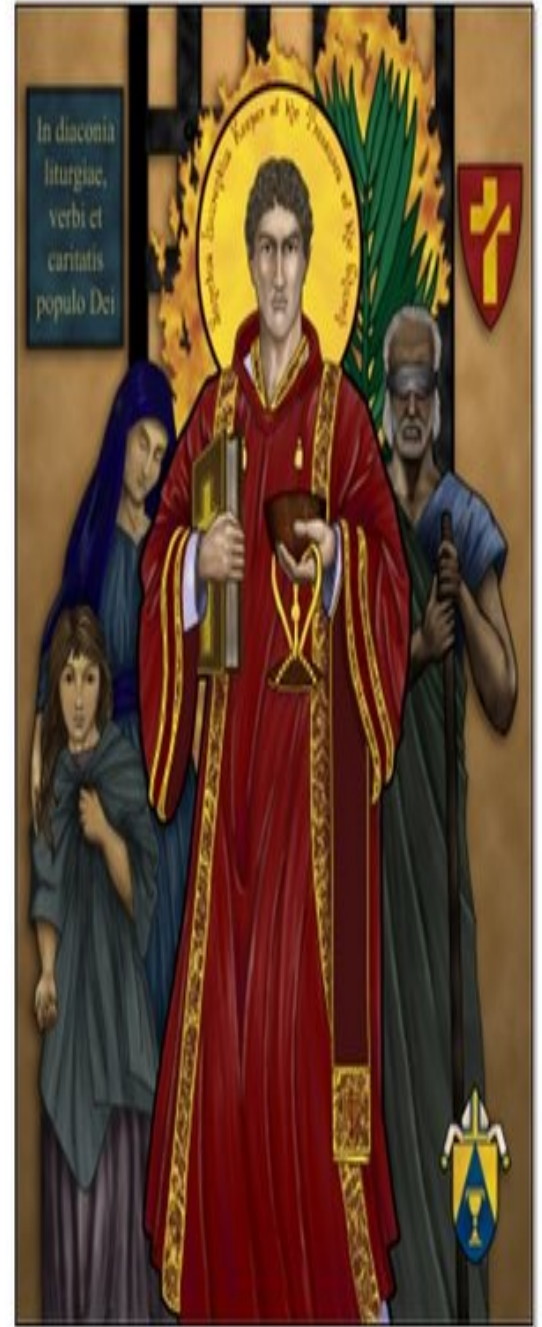
All the properties of the Church were confiscated and assemblies for Christian worship were forbidden.

On August 4, 258, Pope Sixtus the 2nd and his seven deacon were arrested. They were all summarily executed –except for Archdeacon Laurence



St. Laurence

- The prefect interrogating Laurence demanded information from him of the whereabouts of the Church's treasures.
- In reply, Laurence assembled the poor, the sick, and the needy to whom Laurence had given help and money. Laurence then presented them to the Emperor and said "These are the treasures the Church."
- Laurence was tortured and executed- burned alive on a gridiron- on August 10th



“The Martyrdom of St. Laurence” by Tintoretto



■ The Greek word “martyr” means simply “witness”

■ But in the age of the persecutions, a martyr was one witnessed to the faith in Jesus –even unto death.

■ For Laurence, as for all the martyrs, to die for Christ was to live with Christ



St. Laurence- Witness to Christ



Meditation

■ What does it mean to you...

■ “To witness to Christ”




St. Laurence

Almighty God, you called Deacon Laurence to serve you with deeds of love, and gave him the crown of martyrdom: Grant that we, following his example, may fulfill your call to us - to be your witness - by defending and supporting the poor, the sick and the needy, and by loving you with all our heart, mind, and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever, AMEN.




Prayers

 Gracious Father, we pray for thy holy Catholic Church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in any thing it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of Jesus Christ thy Son our Savior. *Amen.*



Prayers

 Everliving God, whose will it is that all should come to you through your Son Jesus Christ: Inspire our witness to him, that all may know the power of his forgiveness and the hope of his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*



Prayers

- Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel in The Monterey Deanery for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

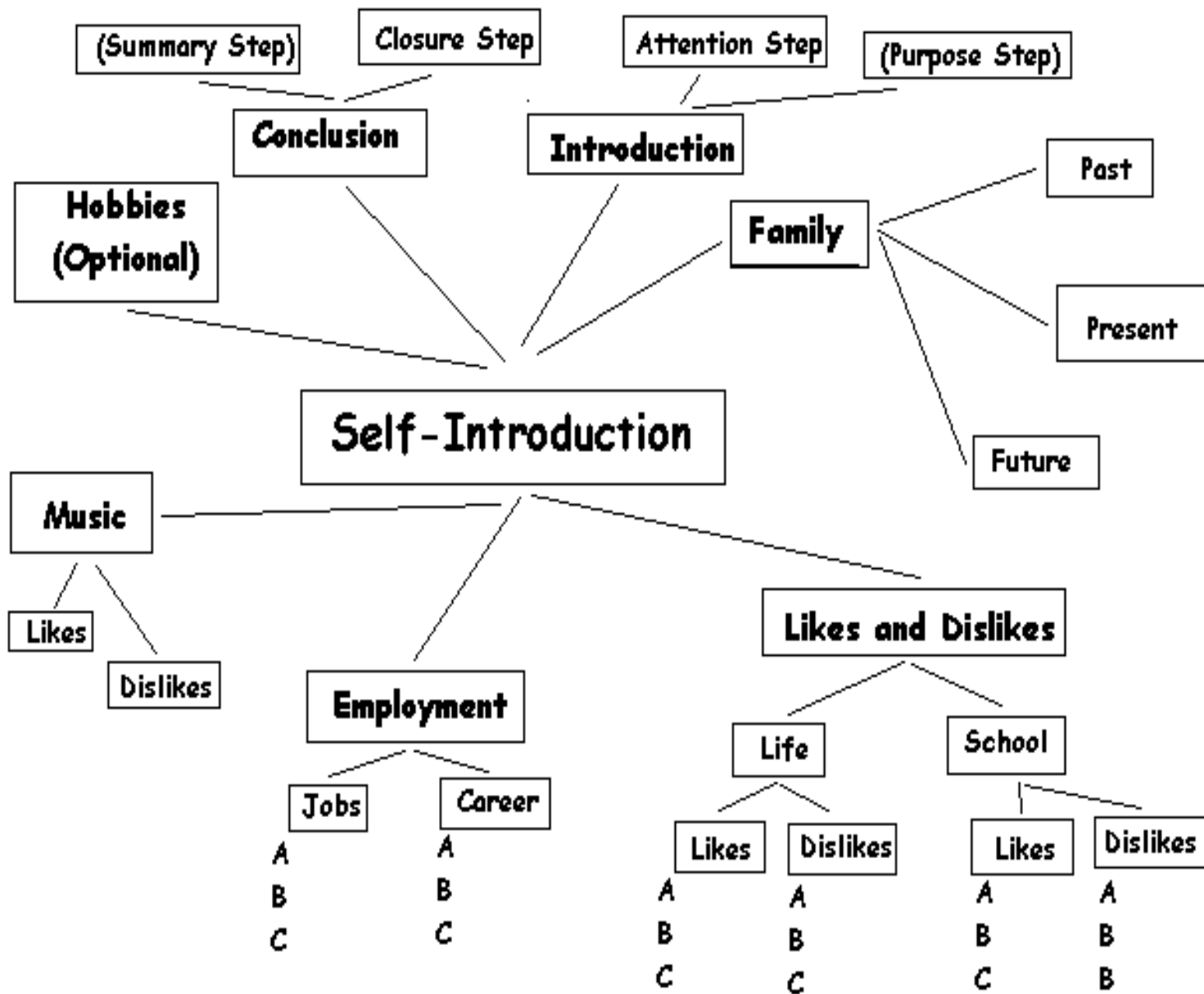


JESUS
LOVES ME
THIS I
KNOW...



ANNOUNCEMENTS





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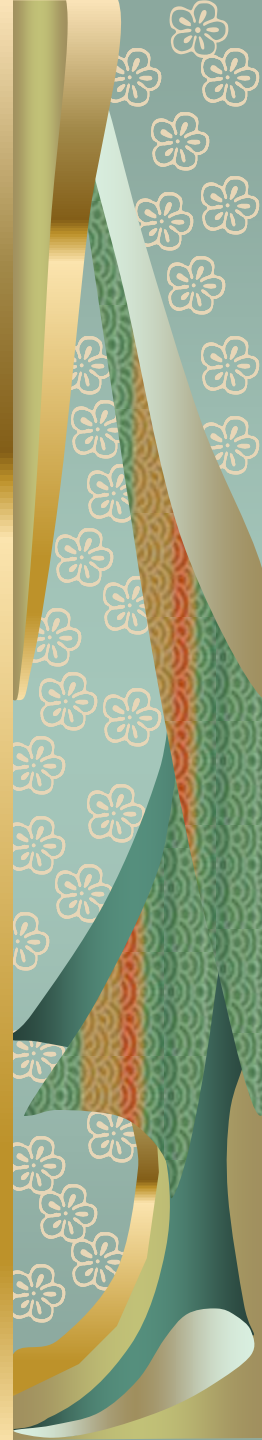
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Standing Committee



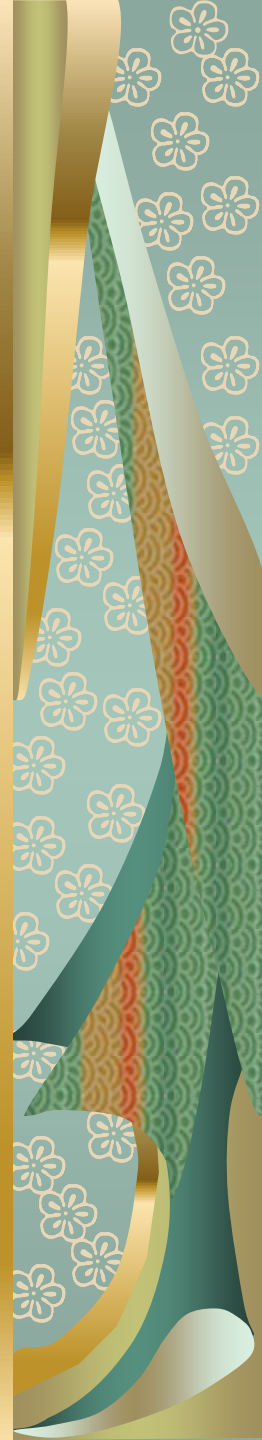
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Stewardship

A way of living



Program

■ Diocesan Positions- Openings

- Standing Committee – 2
- Board of Trustees – 3*
- Commission on Ministry – 3*
- Department of Mission- 4 (all appointed)



Standing Committee



- The Standing Committee (4 clergy and 4 lay) is the Bishop's Council of Advice. If there is no Bishop canonically authorized to act, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for all purposes declared by the General Convention.."

Standing Committee-



- 2 positions open
- ECR Constitution Article V (1-4)
- 1 clergy and 1 lay person - elected by the Diocesan Convention each year for a 4 year term

Board of Trustees

■ ECR Canon 10



■ With the changes to the diocesan Constitution and Canons in 2007, the functions of Diocesan Corporation and Diocesan Council were combined, and the Corporation is served by members of a Board of Trustees. The Diocesan Corporation administers the real property and other assets of the diocese, and acts on behalf of Diocesan Convention in-between meetings of Convention to develop and implement the policies, programs, and budget approved and adopted by Convention.

Board of Trustees



■ 3 positions open

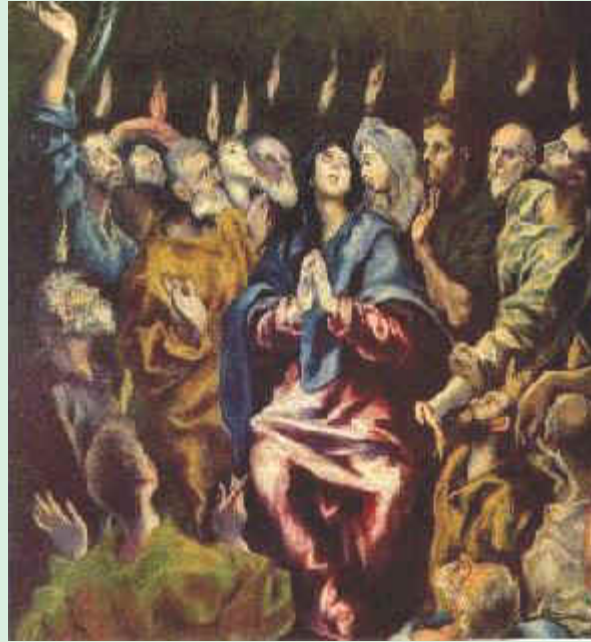
■ (elected at large)

■ ECR Canon 10.3

- Minimum of 1 clergy and 1 lay person from each deanery on the BoT.
- A deanery with an open seat –either clergy or lay –will fill the open seat by deanery election. Santa Clara will have 1 open seat to fill.
- All other vacancies are elected at large at the Annual Convention. There are 3 seats to be elected at large.

Commission on Ministry (CoM)

■ ECR Canon 5



■ The Commission on Ministry assists the bishop in making provision for the development and affirmation of the ministry of all baptized persons in the Church and in the world. There is a particular focus on the ordination process.

CoM



■ ECR Canon 5.2

- 1 clergy and 1 lay person elected at large at the diocesan convention each year.

■ ECR Canon 5.3

- The bishop may appoint up to 8 members. There is 1 clergy appointed position open.



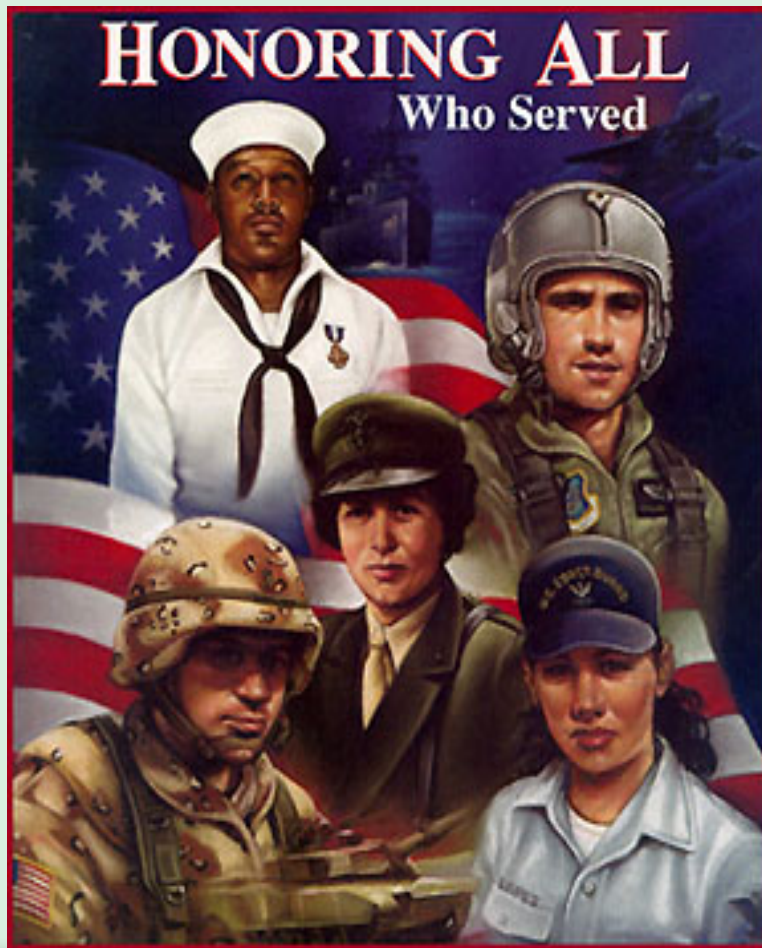
Department of Mission (DoM)

- ERC Canon 6.2.2
- Each deanery must elect 2 members to serve on the DoM.
- Monterey currently has 2 members serving.
- The Bishop appoints 4 members each year.



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Ministry to Veterans




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Effective Networking



Program

 Building Networks beginning with prayer



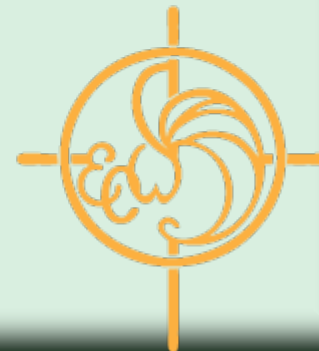
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■ St. Paul's and Iglesia De San Pablo,
Salinas



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 Creation of Monterey Deanery
Stewardship Committee

 Purpose

 Membership

