

**Office of the Bishop:**

Bishop Cotta's Monthly Reflection – Please [click here](#) to read Bishop Cotta's Monthly Reflection for the month of June.

Detention Ministry – On May 14, 2019, Bishop Cotta went to the Northern California Youth Correctional Center to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for 5 young men housed in the facility. To read a letter from Deacon Fidel Carrillo about the experience and to see a picture, please [click here](#).

Office of Development and Stewardship:

Bishop's Awards Dinner – We invite you to submit honoree nominations for those individuals and organizations who continually demonstrate commitment and support to our Catholic community. Nominees may be individuals, married couples, or organizations, and you may submit more than one nominee. Nomination Forms may be downloaded from our website at this [link](#) or by contacting the Development Office at 209-546-7646. New categories this year include:

- Lifetime of Service as a Pastor (Active or Retired)
- Lifetime of Service as a Deacon and Deacon's Wife (Active or Retired)
- Catholic Organization Service Award

Individuals who submit Honoree nominations will be advised of the outcome of his/her nomination in June.

Office of Formation for Seminarians:

The Priestly Ordination of Deacon Adrian Cisneros and Deacon Larry Machado is quickly approaching. With many years of study behind them they await their important, sacred day. Invitations are sent, preparations are in the works and the excitement is felt by the families as we also wait in these final weeks. We are very proud of these men who have journeyed faithfully toward their call from God. Please join us now in these last weeks as we accompany them with our prayers and our joy. Our celebration will be held on Saturday, July 6, 2019, at the 10:00 am Mass at the Cathedral of the Annunciation in Stockton.

Life and Dignity Ministry:

Natural Family Planning Week – Love, Naturally! Cooperating with God's Design for Married Love is the theme for 2019 Natural Family Planning Week. To download free English and Spanish resources (e.g. homily notes, bulletin inserts, social media files, etc.) or purchase the poster see this [link](#).

Vicar for Priests/Clergy Services:

Save the Date – All Clergy Day will be held Monday, October 28, 2019 at St. Frances of Rome's large hall in Riverbank. This event is for all priests, deacons and their spouses, and religious sisters. More information and registration to follow later this summer.

Office of Worship:

Liturgical Reminders – The extended Pentecost Vigil may be celebrated on June 8th. The readings for the expanded Vigil can be found in the Lectionary Supplement. Information explaining the celebration can be found in [this article](#). Information about the liturgical propers, including PDFs of the readings in English and in Spanish, can be found [here](#).

June 10th, will be the memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church, which was established by Pope Francis in 2018. For more information about this celebration, including the text of a prayer of consecration of our Diocese to Mary, Mother of the Church, see the [Diocesan website](#).

