



**PADRE
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Encounter Jesus, Be Disciples

JULY 16, 2023 · FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Parish Picnic 2023

We are family! Visit www.padreserra.org/picnic



Seeds of Faith Summer Social!

**Monday, July 17
7:00 pm, in the courtyard**

Join us for dessert and conversation and get to know Seeds of Faith.

SEEDS (Sisters ~ Embracing ~ Enlightening ~ Daughters of Faith) is a monthly evening of spirituality for women who want to grow deeper in faith and affirm our mission and worth as God's daughters and Jesus' disciples.

Visit www.padreserra.org/seeds



SUMMER YOUTH SCHEDULE

JUNE 19 - AUGUST 18

San Juan Capistrano room

NEW YOUTH LOUNGE

Monday - Friday, 1:00 pm,

Feel free to bring video games, movies, board games, etc.

PEER LEADER MEETINGS

Tuesdays, 7:00 pm

BIBLE STUDY & PIZZA

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm

📸 Follow our Instagram @pspyouth for other announcements and updates throughout the summer. Contact youth@padreserra.org www.padreserra.org/youth-summer



Pro-love

A new ministry at Padre Serra...

Pro-LOVE is different from pro-life in that it is not a position as much as an action.

We want the Church to be one of the first places a woman turns to when she has an unplanned pregnancy.

We want to provide a safe place of love, support, faith, freedom, and healing.

We want to help connect her (and those who love her) with resources and fully inform her (and those who love her) of available options.

We want to LOVE young women and men experiencing a surprise pregnancy.

**Learn more in the courtyard
July 15 - 16.**

**Launch Party
Sunday, July 23
12:30 pm
Carmel room**

Our first action is a *Share the Love* event to assemble Love Boxes, a gift box for a young woman considering her options containing a letter of hope, resources for a support group, and other surprises.

The packages will be available in our parish and at Life Centers. Your helping hands to assemble and/or financial contributions are appreciated.

Contact: Grace Martinez
grace@padreserra.org

Visit www.padreserra.org/pro-love



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GATHERING

Rain Down

Jaime Cortez, Gather #582

Refrain



Rain down, rain down, rain down your love on your people. love, God of life.

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Faithful and true is the word of our God. All of God's works are so worthy of trust. God's mercy falls on the just and the right; full of God's love is the earth.

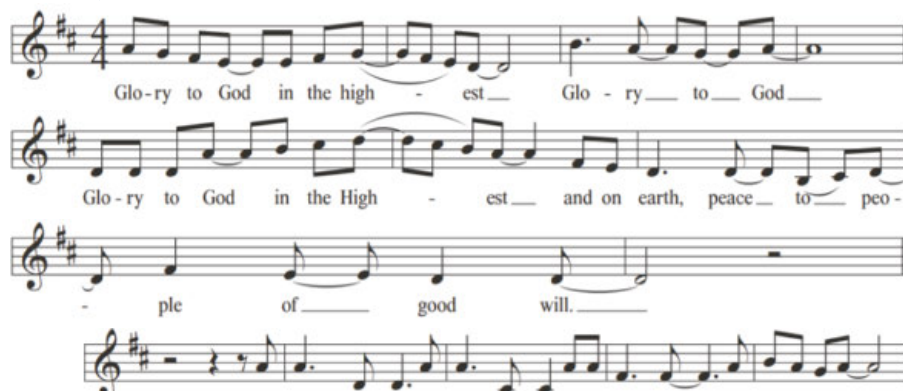
We who revere and find hope in our God live in the kindness and joy of God's wing, God will protect us from darkness and death; God will not leave us to starve.

God of creation, we long for our truth; you are the water of life that we thirst. Grant that your love and your peace touch our hearts, all of our hope lies in you.

Glory to God

Jason Stoll

REFRAIN:



Glo-ry to God in the high - est - Glo - ry - to - God - Glo - ry to God in the High - est - and on earth, peace - to - peo - ple of good will.

VERSE 1:

We praise You, we bless you we a-dore you we glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for Your great glo - ry



Lord God hea - ven - ly King O - God al - migh - ty Fa - ther Lord Je - sus - Christ on - ly be - got - ten Son - Lord - God Lamb of God Son of the Fa - ther

VERSE 2:

You take aw-ay the sins of the world have mer - cy on us. You take a - way the sins of the world re - ceive our prayer You are sea - ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther have mer - cy on us.



You take aw-ay the sins of the world have mer - cy on us. You take a - way the sins of the world re - ceive our prayer You are sea - ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther have mer - cy on us.

Continued...

Reading 1

Isaiah 55:10-11

Reading 2

Romans 8:18-23

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:1-23

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower. All who come to him will have life forever.



Glory to God continued...

VERSE 3: For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One You a-lone are the Lord —
 You a-lone are the Most — High Je - sus — Christ —
 With the Ho - ly — Spir — it in the Glo-ry of God the — Fa -
 — — — — — ther. — — — — —

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 65: The Seed That Falls on Good Ground

Kathleen MacAller

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a
 fruit - - - ful har - vest.

1. You visit the land and water it; You have enriched it greatly.
God's water courses now are filled; You prepare the grain.
2. And thus you prepare the land for us tilling the soil, and watering,
You soften the earth with gentle showers, blessing its yield.
3. You have crowned the year with bounty your rich harvest overflowing
The untilled meadows overflow, rejoicing clothes the hills.
4. The fields are richly garmented, with your flocks, grazing peacefully.
Abundant grain blankets your valleys, they shout and sing for joy.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia

Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker, Gather #334

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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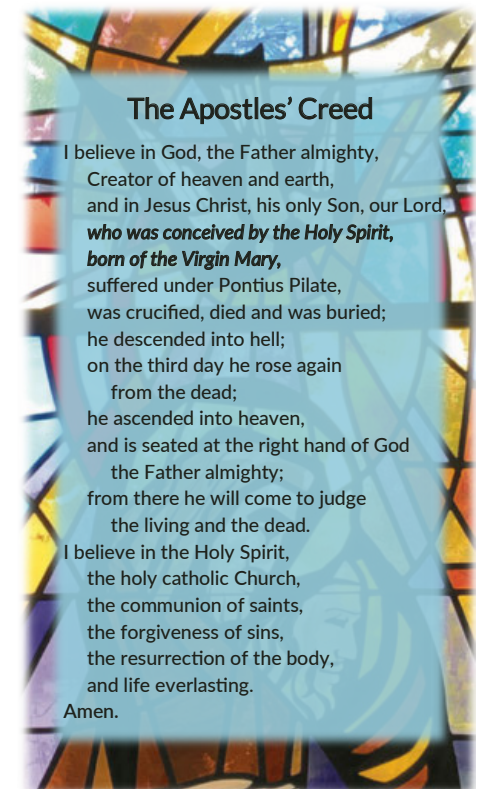
INTERCESSION RESPONSE

O God, Hear Us

Bob Hurd

*Refrain
 O God, hear us; hear our prayer.

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PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

Open My Eyes

Jesse Manibusan

MAY THE LORD ACCEPT
THE SACRIFICE AT
YOUR HANDS,
FOR THE
PRAISE AND GLORY OF
HIS NAME,
FOR OUR GOOD
AND THE GOOD OF ALL
HIS HOLY CHURCH.

Verses



1. O - pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face.
2. O - pen my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your voice.
3. O - pen my heart, Lord. Help me to love like you.
4. I live with - in you. Deep in your heart, O Love.



O - pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to see. (To verse 2)
O - pen my ears, Lord. Help me to hear. (To verse 3)
O - pen my heart, Lord. Help me to love. (To bridge)
I live with - in you. Rest now in me.

Bridge



And the first shall be last, and our eyes are o - pened,



and we'll hear like nev - er be - fore. And we'll speak in new ways,



and we'll see God's face in plac - es we've nev - er known.

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EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

"Mass of Creation"
Holy, Holy, Holy

Marty Haugen
Gather #198

Memorial Acclamation

Gather #199

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection
until you come again, until you come again.

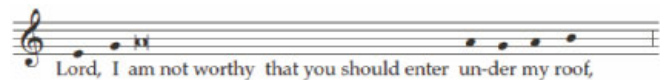
Amen

Gather #202

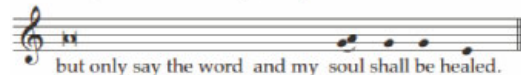
Lamb of God

Gather #204

Invitation to Communion



Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter un - der my roof,



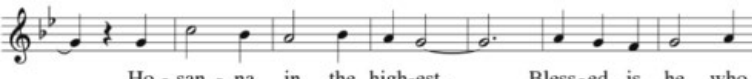
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of



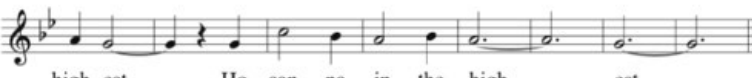
hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the



high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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COMMUNION SONGS**Many and Great**

Ricky Manalo, Gather #911

Verses

1. Man - y and great are bear - ers of the Word: the Christ
 2. Man - y and great are seeds up - on the field: the hand
 3. Man - y and great are voic - es of de - spair: the rain
 4. Man - y and great are peb - bles in the sand: the sun

1. speaks; the heart seeks. Gath - ered as one, we
 2. sows; the seeds grow. Take now and eat the
 3. falls; the voice calls. Take now and drink the
 4. glows; the wind blows. Take now and spread the

1. lis - ten to the Word and share the meal of new birth.
 2. cov - e - nant ful - filled, the bread of prom - ise and life.
 3. wine of hope and care; our cup of bless - ing we share.
 4. Word to ev - 'ry land, the Word of good - ness and hope.

Refrain

The wheat grows from spring-time to fall; the wine flows; in
 Christ we re - call the shar - ing of our lives with one and all.

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SENDING FORTH**God Sends Us Forth**

1. God sends us forth to love and serve,
 Make known God's name and live God's word,
 Mir - ror God's love, re - flect God's grace Till
 all have seen the Sav - ior's face.

Text: Tony E. Alonso, b.1980
 Tune: GAILHAC, LM; Tony E. Alonso, b.1980
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“The seed falling
 on good soil refers
 to someone who
 hears the word
 and
 understands ...
 yielding a
 hundred, sixty or
 thirty times what
 was sown.”
 Matthew 13:23

Tony Alonso, Gather #759

Nourished by Christ, our Word and Bread,
 Burning with love and Spirit led,
 Send to embrace a world in need,
 To make God known in word and deed.

Called to the ones the world ignores
 Hungry and thirsty, weak and poor
 Let us bear Christ, who heals all pain
 And comforts those bowed down by shame.

So, with the cross to lead the way,
 Let us go forth in peace today,
 And to the ends of earth make known
 The saving love our God has shown.

*Go in peace to
 love and serve the Lord!*

Quiet Heroes

Parishes thrive when parishioners step forward and take ownership. When this happens, in beautiful fidelity to Matthew 6:3, where we hear the command to not “let your left hand know what your right is doing,” the good people do is so often quiet and unnoticed. I’d like to point out some people who have made a wonderful difference, even though in a very quiet way.

It’s hard to notice an absence, I know, but have you noticed an absence of trash on the parish grounds, which are always so neat? There are no plastic bags blown around by the wind, no donut napkins on the ground, no candy wrappers or cigarette remains. The first person to arrive at the parish, early, early in the morning during the week, is Dane Henriksen. You’ve probably never met him. If our yards are neat, and trash is picked up and all looks orderly, it’s because of Dane. He has adopted the parish grounds as a place of beauty that needs constant attention so that it can be restful for people who bring their complicated lives onto this beautiful campus. His tools are rakes and blowers. He is a *very* quiet hero.

Terry Griffin, also an early riser on Sunday morning, walks from table to table in the courtyard, cleaning the accumulated dust from the decomposed granite. She brings a smile to this grungy work that always lights up my morning when I see her hard at work. Hospitality matters, and she makes it happen. For those who have come later to the parish, you might not know that Terry is an extraordinarily gifted artist. You can see an example of her work under the beautiful tabernacle. She designed the depictions of the California missions found on the marble slab of the tabernacle, to remind us of our founder, Padre Serra, and his many labors to bring the faith to this place. As one of the parish founders, among that generation of giants, she was part of the original environment team making the church beautiful. I have caught her with a can of paint and a brush, unobtrusively repairing the bases of the church columns. Ordinary bumps and bruises leave their marks on the columns, but Terry has taken ownership of our parish church, and the comfort of her fellow parishioners in the courtyard. She is an amazing, quiet, hero.

I don’t know if you can remember the two long white cloths that hung over the ambo during the Easter Season. They may have seemed simple in construction, but nothing could be further from the truth. The closer you get to the material, the more textured it looks, with gold flecks, and the more special you realize that they are. They rested this last weekend on the altar, just to bring them closer to our worship. A team of adults with diverse abilities and challenges spent months weaving them, not with an electric machine, but by the hand on a loom. They were an amazing work of art by weavers from Threadbender Textiles (www.threadbendertextiles.org) for the parish from people who are often in the background of society. Their handiwork of love blessed us every day in the Easter Season. They are our quiet heroes.

I’d also like to acknowledge the small but growing orchestra of talented musicians who have been making our Sunday mornings so very special. We have Kathleen MacAller on the flute, Lisa Barra on the synthesizer, David Cravens and Mike Garcia on the guitar. Mike Velasquez plays the base, Chris Kneisel and Naomi Bernardino plays the cello, Geri Lisanti-Levy plays the violin, Steve Burch plays the viola, and Karen Gatchel and Tom Romero play the clarinet. We have Butch Alandy and Ian Padolina on percussion, and young Sabas Guevara on the drums. Our amazing Dominic, often enough, writes their parts for them, where needed. All of their musical skills, so generously shared, their times at practice, offered so generously, are a sweet gift to us. We get to live our lives with the soundtrack they provide us of sweet beauty.

We have so *much* for which to be grateful in one another, don’t we? I hope you have found the place where you can add to the sweet music and beauty of Padre Serra Parish.

¡Siempre adelante!

Fr. Patrick
Pastor



Families

Serra Cinema ~ August 8

Visit www.padreserra.org/serra-cinema

Children

Age 3 to Grade 8

Live a Life of Faith, Understanding, and Love ...

Children Faith Formation Registration for the 23/24 program is open! Register your child today! Visit www.padreserra.org/registration



Little Church ~ On Summer Break

Age 3 through Kindergarten Sunday preschool during the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Mass. Little Church will take a short summer break; we will continue sessions on August 13, 20, and 27. Children must be registered to attend. Registrations for the new program year are now open; visit www.padreserra.org/registration. Save the date: Parent orientation on September 10, at 10:15 am in Carmel rooms. For more information, contact soraya@padreserra.org

Children's Liturgy of the Word ~ Leaders Needed!

Grades 1 - 5. We will return in the fall. Consider joining this beautiful ministry. No experience necessary! Contact tere@padreserra.org for more information.

Spark! ~ At Home

Grades 1 - 5. This week's Gospel message: Jesus teaches that the kingdom of heaven is like a seed sown on good soil. Discuss as a family how each one of you can be good soil.

Summer Camp ~ Begins tomorrow! July 17 - 20

Campers Grades 1 - 5. Learn how to be a Holy Hero! Join us for camping-themed games, crafts, snacks, a scavenger hunt, and a water play day. 1:00 - 4:00 pm. Sign-up today at www.padreserra.org/summer-camp

Three-Sixteen ~ August 7 - 10

Middle school ministry ~ Grades 6, 7, and 8. Coming soon! We are offering the first-ever Craft Camp for grades six and up. Let your creativity run wild! Join us for one day or all week in August. For more information, www.padreserra.org/craft-camp

High School

Everyone from 14 to 18 is welcome!

4:12

Come join Brett and peer leaders for summer youth activities or to hang out in the youth lounge. Follow us on Instagram [@pspyouth](https://www.instagram.com/pspyouth) for more information, or contact brett@padreserra.org

Confirmation ~ Summer gatherings have begun!

Stop by the youth lounge to play games, watch movies or just hang out with Brett and peers for summer fun and fellowship. Lots of summer service and event opportunities available. Contact us for more information at youth@padreserra.org or tere@padreserra.org

Peer Leaders

Every confirmed teen and young adult is welcome!

Peer Leaders

Peer leaders help engage our youth and Confirmation candidates by acting as mentors and facilitators during our weekly Confirmation sessions, annual retreats, and at 4:12 youth nights. We usually meet Tuesdays at 7:00 pm. If you are confirmed, 14 to 39 years old, and interested in joining, contact brett@padreserra.org. To sign up, scan the QR Code or visit www.padreserra.org/peer-leaders



Young Adults

Everyone 18 to 39ish is welcome! www.padreserra.org/young-adults

Bible Study and More

We gather on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. On the first Thursday, we do a Bible study, and on the third Thursday, we play a game. See our Instagram [@pspyoungadult](https://www.instagram.com/pspyoungadult) for other events! Contact brett@padreserra.org

Adults

Summer Bible Study ~ July 17, 24, 31

Bible Faith Share continues through the summer reading and discussing Sunday's readings. Mondays 8:45 - 9:45 am, San Juan Capistrano room. Sherry Reynolds sherryr2256@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/faith-sharing

Gospel Hangout ~ July 18, 19

Come hang out virtually as we read Sunday's gospel and reflect on how Jesus is intersecting with our lives at this moment. Tuesdays, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:00 pm. For Zoom link: teresa@padreserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/faith-sharing

Healing after Divorce ~ July 18

Our healing from divorce support group offers a welcoming environment for people dealing with divorce, whether in the earliest stages of grief, the initial stages of coping with severe changes, or through the worst of it and now looking to move forward, grow, and serve. Second and fourth Tuesdays. 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Zoom. Cynthia cjonescampbell@yahoo.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/divorce

Lemons on the Loose ~ July 19

A women's social gathering to share fellowship and laughter while playing Bonkers. \$5/person. Proceeds benefit pediatric cancer research through Alex's Lemonade Stand. Third Wednesday, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Serra Center. Kathy quannys5@yahoo.com or Michelle mcpaschens@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/women

Bereavement Support Groups ~ July 20

Grief can be overwhelming and difficult to understand and navigate, but you don't have to do it alone. Our bereavement support group offers mutual support to those who have lost a loved one through death. Morning session at 10:00 and afternoon session at 2:00. San Fernando room. Betty Bright-Martinez (805) 407-3000, bettybright41@gmail.com, visit www.padreserra.org/bereavement

Adults

Caregivers Support Group ~ July 25

Caritas supports those caring for an aging parent, relative, or spouse. 7:00 pm San Fernando room and via Zoom. Contact Patricia sentclan@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/caritas

Save the Date

- **Day of Prayer and Reflection ~ August 14**
Visit www.padreserra.org/day-of-reflection
- **Holy Hospitality ~ August 15**
Visit www.padreserra.org/assumption-mary
- **Cana in the Courtyard ~ August 25**
Visit www.padreserra.org/cana

Prayer Life

Pray for Our Sick

Mary Ahearn, Kurt Basco, Sharon Berg, Wyatt Biggs, Marianne Brooks, Mary Butler, Ryan Carrigan, Marie Coop, Susan Craddock, Bob Dickie, Shari Edie, Ben Fisco, Jennifer Flores, John Goblisch, Tim Graf, Patrick Hair, Jasna Haller, Barbara Humphrey, Maria Maldonado, Dave McDonnell, Janet McPike, Leticia Melendez, Carole Mingay, Donald Mingay, Robert Moody, Mary Mullen, Daniel Orr, Angela Ortiz, Lorna Pajo, Mel Pajo, Jeffrey Paoella, Dina S. Pascual, Dave Proett, Diana Reed, Michael Robles, Bill Rumble, Zion Salatan, Hector Victa Sanares, Francisca Saucedo, Dorothy Simmons, Louis Wolters, Rita Wronekiewicz and Jerry Zins Sr. (*Names are refreshed monthly.*)

Remember Our Dead

Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently:

Elizabeth Fisco, RIP
Luis Gomez, RIP
Bernard N. Zapanta, RIP

May they enjoy peace in their life with Christ Jesus.

Funerals

- **Kathleen Forgette ~ July 15, 10:00 am**
- **Bob Tuleya ~ August 16, 11:00 am**

For more information about Funeral & Memorial announcements, visit www.padreserra.org/funerals

Faith Sharing Question

Reflection questions for every gathering around any table

Matthew 13:1-23 ~ Sowing Seeds

Jesus shares a parable about a sower who scattered seeds, symbolizing the spreading of God's word. The seeds fell on different types of soil, representing various responses to the message. Some seeds produced abundant fruit; some were met with thorns, rocky ground, or birds. Jesus explains the meaning of each element, highlighting the importance of receptive hearts for the growth and understanding of God's teachings. In what ways am I like the different types of soil? Do I tend to allow distractions or worldly concerns to hinder the growth of God's Word in my life? How can I create fertile ground for His Word to take root and flourish?

Becoming Catholic

Catholic Inquiry's Summer Gathering Dates ~ July 25, August 8, 22, September 5, 19

Have you considered becoming Catholic or want to inquire about the Catholic Faith before joining our community? Summer is a good time to begin! During the summer, Inquiry continues to meet but only twice a month; we watch DVDs on various Catholic themes, followed by a discussion in a relaxed atmosphere, or we enjoy guest speakers or field trips! In October, we will resume our weekly meetings. Join us! For information on the process of becoming Catholic, or if you are a Catholic adult already baptized and want to receive First Communion and Confirmation, please get in touch with Mary Huebner at (805) 482-6417 x321 or becomingcatholic@padreserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/becoming-catholic

Memorial & Honorarium

In loving memory of Katherine Elizabeth Evans

Mary Jean & Robert Rumer

In loving memory of Frank Le Grove

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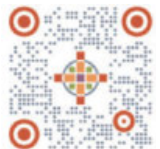
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Mary Heard, Falmouth MA

Giving

Stewardship Means Sharing

Give God the first serving, the first portion of our gifts. Giving is not based on the church's need for money, but on our need to give back to God as a way to say 'thank you.'



In the Community

Gift Your Vehicle

Our Lady of the Assumption St. Vincent de Paul is seeking donations of vehicles to help local families in need become stable and self-sufficient. Receive a tax deduction and the satisfaction of knowing that your vehicle will be donated directly to someone in need. Call or email (805) 642-4104, svdp@ola-vta.org

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