



It's Official – Our Vineyard Is Blessed & Ground Is Broken

June 12, 2016 – on a warm and sunny late Spring day over 150 guests shared in the historic Groundbreaking and Blessing of the Vineyard ceremony at Mount St. Joseph in Loomis. The afternoon started with a very special blessing rite conducted by Fr. Matthew Spencer and Fr. Sergio Perez including readings from Scripture, prayer and a thorough dousing with Holy Water (vineyard and guests alike!). Next, ground was broken with ceremonial gold shovels by Father Matthew, Peter Story and Joseph Smock.

Guests were then only too happy to move from the hot, dusty vineyard up to the cool confines of the Mareello Youth Center for tastings of all five Mount Saint Joseph California wines including Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, Mareello Tuscan blend, Zinfandel and Tempranillo followed by a delicious lunch. After lunch, Peter gave an overview of what can be expected over the next 9 months as the vineyard continues development and vines are planted.

We thank everyone who joined us at the Groundbreaking and Blessing with very special thanks to our owner volunteers who helped make this day so special.



Vineyard Ripping and Disking Is Completed

Peter gets excited when the heavy equipment comes out. The bulldozer pictured above drops and then drags two four foot “teeth” into the vineyard and “rips” the ground – vertically, horizontally and diagonally - so that the young vines can more easily root once planted. Next, the top soil was disked with selected nutrients and tilled into the vineyard. Over the next couple of months, the irrigation feeder system will be installed so that final drip irrigation can be placed when the vines are planted in March. Vine end posts will also be installed in August.

Cabernet Franc, Petite Verdot and Petite Syrah vines and associated root stock are now in the nursery and will be ready for planting as one year old vines in March 2017.

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