## Upcoming Event: Guest Speaker Dr. Thomas Plante

It's Our Church, the St. Ignatius Loyola Parish's Sexual Abuse Task Force for Education, Advocacy, Accountability, and Healing, invites you to a presentation by guest speaker Dr. Thomas Plante.

## **Dr. Plante will discuss:**

- The sexual abuse crises
- Fact and fiction concerning the crises
- Positive actions taken by dioceses in the United States and the Church in general
- His perspective on the February Synod of Bishops.



## Please join us Friday, March 1, 2019, 7 - 8:30 pm at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish Garden Room, 3235 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95825

For questions and more information, contact Cheryl Mello, IOC Task Force Chair, at <a href="mailto:cmm">cmocerin@gmail.com</a>



Thomas G. Plante, PhD, ABPP

**Thomas G. Plante, Ph.D., ABPP** is the Augustin Cardinal Bea, S.J. University Professor, professor of psychology, and by courtesy, religious studies at Santa Clara University and directs the Applied Spirituality Institute. He is also an adjunct clinical professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at Stanford University School of Medicine. He recently served as vice-chair of the National Review Board for the Protection of Children and Youth for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. He has authored, co-authored, edited, or co-edited 23 books including Sexual Abuse in the Catholic Church: A Decade of Crisis, 2002-2012, Sin against the Innocents: Sexual Abuse by Priests and the Role of the Catholic Church (2004, and Bless Me Father For I Have Sinned: Perspectives on Sexual Abuse Committed by Roman Catholic Priests (1999). He has evaluated or treated over 900 clerics or clerical applicants in his Menlo Park private practice including numerous sex abuse victims and offenders. Time Magazine referred to him in a cover story (April 1, 2002) as one of "three leading (American) Catholics."