



Saint Serra

Saint Serra Club of Colorado Springs

"Always forward, never back"



Saint Serra Club of Colorado Springs Newsletter

MAY 2022

President Janet Zabukovic's Message

Dear Fellow Serrans:

As you can read in another article in this newsletter, the nominating committee has worked diligently to assemble a slate of people for our next board. Please be on the watch for an email asking for your vote to accept the slate of candidates for the St. Serra Board. Your prompt response to that email is appreciated so that the new board can be officially confirmed and then installed at our May gathering.

The monthly gatherings do not happen in a vacuum but are the result of the work of St. Serra members. So this month, I want to take time to thank all the members who have given or continue to give of the time and talent to do the necessary work of keeping our St. Serra Club functioning and growing. First, I want to thank the nominating committee for their diligent work. Some of the current board members have graciously consented to continue their work on behalf of all our members; some will remain in their current roles, and some will assume a different role. Thanks to all those board members who are returning in some capacity to continue to serve as well as those members who serve in other areas like the calling tree, affirmations, hospitality, and those who volunteer for special events. Of course, I also want to thank Fr. Kyle Ingels for his continuing work as our Chaplain!

Finally, I want to thank those board members who are stepping away from service on the board. Dennis Palsgrove has done a masterful job as our Communication Vice President and his hard work on our monthly newsletters has been recognized two different times with District 6 Serra Awards. Dennis has graciously offered to help train the new Vice President of Communications and newsletter editor. Also stepping away from the board is Tom Plush, who has done great work as our Treasurer for several years. Tom has offered to serve as a mentor to the new Treasurer as well. Finally, also stepping away from the board this year is Anna Maria Trupp-Hughes; Anna Maria will continue her work with the calling committee. Thanks to all three of you for your service as St. Serra board members.

It takes the work of many to make our group function and I'd like to encourage all members to prayerfully consider where they can offer their time and talent! Each of the four ministry areas- Membership, Programs, Vocations, and Communications- need volunteers. We all know that many hands make for lighter work, so if you would like to offer your time and talent in any of those areas, please do contact the relevant board members and offer to help!

God willing, we soon will be blessed with one new transitional Deacon, Thomas Pressley, and two new Priests- Matthew Kane and Will Dwyer. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for their ordinations. Also remember to pray for all those already ordained, those in formation, and those discerning and for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

Continue to pray for all our members during the very difficult time, especially: Loretta Bocast, Janet Clause, Barbie Henry, Rudy & Maralyn Legleiter, Betty Plush, Mary Hayes, Victoria Heim, Joan Gawlik and her family, and Joe DeBenedittis.



Programs; Jerry Schaefer

Our May “gathering” will be at the Newman Center on May 19 starting at 11:30 AM with Adoration, Mass at noon and luncheon and a guest speaker after Mass. Fr. Gregory Golyzniak will be our guest speaker and will provide his spiritual insight on Poland and Ukraine.

Looking forward; our guest speaker on June 16th will be Sister Linda Gonzalez, the director of women’s vocations for the Diocese of Colorado Springs.

Mark your calendar for **FRIDAY** July 22 for the Seminarian BBQ luncheon.

From Rose Marie Stimpfl

SERRA'S 79th INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

The Serra International Convention will be held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada

July 14-17, 2022

The theme is, "Witnesses of the Word: Serrans Called to Action."

Some of the featured speakers are;

Cardinal Lacroix, Archbishop of Quebec

Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

Michael Bragg, Serra International President

The Serrans of Toronto have planned a fantastic schedule of cultural, sightseeing, spiritually enriching, and inspirational events.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER!

Thank you. Rose Marie

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

May 8, 2022



The purpose of World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity), secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life.

2022 marks the **59th Anniversary** of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Serra Club Current Officers:

President – Jan Zabukovic
Vice-President – Pat Van Matre
Secretary – Marty Broestl
Treasurer – Claudine Duncan
VP Vocations – Claudine and Jon Duncan
VP Programs – Jerry Schaefer
VP Communications – Dennis Palsgrove
VP Membership – Joel Kostyrka, Sue Harmon & Anna Marie Trupp-Hughes
Newsletter Editor – Dennis Palsgrove
Trustees – Charlene Pardo, Eleanor Gentilini and Rose Marie Stimpfl
Serra Foundation - Charlene Pardo

Membership; Joel Kostyrka

I would like to thank everyone who attended the “Membership Meet & Greet Wine & Cheese Social” this past Saturday at the UCCS Newman Center! Everyone enjoyed the fellowship (and food & drink 😊), and I was able to get Five names as potential members (four of them attended – I talked to a few). I will recommend that our apostolate continue to offer these on a periodic basis – Saturday late afternoon / early evening is a good time for most.

Thanks also to Sue & Anna Maria for their invaluable efforts both in planning, & on Saturday itself.

I am ending my term as “Vice President for Membership” but will continue as a Serra & can assist my successor as needed.

Joel Kostyrka

New Officers Nominating Committee Report

During the month of April, the Nominations Committee was hard at work trying to fill the slate of officers for the new year that starts in May. We had several members agree to keep their current positions and others that asked to give their positions up. We tried to talk to each member that indicated a preference in the survey that was sent out to all members earlier in April. As a result of those conversations, we are now able to present to the Board of Directors a completed slate. This slate of officers will be subjected to a vote of the membership early in May so that they will be able to begin their duties at the May meeting. Please watch for the announcement of the election that will be coming out by e-mail in the very near future. Additionally, these new and returning officers have the option to attend training specific to Serra Club leadership that is given by Serra USA. This training is done by WEBINAR and dates are available on the Serra website.

The proposed slate is as follows:

President	Janet Zabukovic
Vice-President	Joel Kostryka
Secretary	Marty Broestl
Treasurer	Claudine Duncan
VP-Vocations	Jon Duncan
VP-Programs	Jerry Schaefer
VP-Membership	Pat Van Matre
VP-Communications/Newsletter	Beth Pressley
Trustees (past presidents)	Charlene Pardo, Eleanor Gentilini

Although these are the primary positions in the St Serra Club, there are many members working to assist these officers and to take care of important club responsibilities like Hospitality, Affirmation, Calling Tree and administration. Please pick an area in which you have a particular interest and offer your services—we never have enough volunteers and your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Hello, Serra Club Members!

I am Secretary for the SW Denver Serra Club and also a volunteer for Catholic Radio Network.

Myself and about 30 volunteers put on an annual event that rotates between Colorado Springs and Denver every other year called the Priest and Seminarian Appreciation Day. The 2022 event will be in Colorado Springs and it is an opportunity for the clergy of Colorado to come to the one event every year that they can leave behind all their worries and just have a day of fellowship, renewing old acquaintances and making some new ones. Lay folk come as well and you have a hard time telling who is a priest and who is a layman during this day of relaxation.

The clergy and lay guests are invited to choose from the following activities: golf, pickleball or tennis at The World-Famous Broadmoor. Or they can take a tour of Colorado Springs sights they may never have seen before, including Cave of the Winds and the Air Force Academy. If that isn't enough, they can simply sit all afternoon playing cards with other guests at the beautiful Julie Penrose Hall in St. Paul's Catholic Church across the street from The Broadmoor. Retired priests are also prevalent and enjoy all the same benefits.

The event donors make it possible for each attending priest (retired or active) and final-year seminarian to be measured for a tailored suit. Yes, they truly are. They wear those suits seven days a week, and sometimes late into the night or wee hours of the morning as you each very well know. And we have been blessed to be able to provide those suits with the help of Ted's Clothiers in downtown Littleton. Or Gerkens Religious Goods also helps Catholic Radio to gift them with a brand new, beautiful chasuble, if that is their choice.

This would be a super affirmation project for the Serra Clubs to take advantage of. Never before has Serra Club been a part of this fun day, I am sad to say. But this year that has changed. When I brought it to the attention of my own Serra Club, they saw it for the opportunity it is. I will attach a list of all the donors from last year and you will see the huge gap there is in NOT SEEING SERRA Clubs listed there.

I think this is the year to change that. The Serra Clubs of District 6 have made a very generous donation, so they will have advertising for two months on Catholic Radio, in all three dioceses.

Please contact me, if you have any questions or would like more information. Attached you will find Sponsorship opportunities which you will also find on our website at www.golf4priests.com as well as information on all the day's activities.

Have a blessed remainder of a beautiful Easter Season. Sincerely,

Karen L. Mandolfo

Priest & Seminarian Appreciation Day, Coordinator

+Catholic Radio Network+

Our St Serra Club Board of Directors voted to contribute and Sponsor this Priest and Seminarian Appreciation Day. Please consider helping us fund this by donating to our St Serra Club by sending a check to:

Colorado Springs St Serrra Club, 228 N Cascade Ave, Co Sp, CO 80903

Most Reverend James Golka,
Bishop of the Diocese of Colorado Springs,
and your Pastor
cordially invite you to attend the

14th Annual Diocesan Blue Mass



Tuesday
May 10, 2022 at 12:10 p.m.

at

St. Mary Cathedral
22 W. Kiowa Avenue
Colorado Springs, CO 80903



Each year, our Diocesan Bishop celebrates the Blue Mass in appreciation of all the dedicated and professional work of our local Law Enforcement Personnel, Firefighters, and Emergency Services/First Responders.

This year, all law enforcement personnel who are present will receive a special St. Michael, the Archangel coin, personally blessed by Bishop Golka during the Mass. St. Michael the Archangel is the patron saint of the Law Enforcement profession.

All firefighters present will receive a special St. Florian coin, personally blessed by Bishop Golka during the Mass. St. Florian is the patron saint of the Firefighters' profession.

All Peace Officers and Firefighters are invited to wear their uniform of the day or their Class A dress uniform.

Please RSVP to fatherbrad@msn.com so we are sure to have a blessed coin for you.

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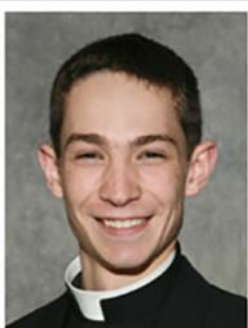
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NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME



Serra International New Member Application

Serra Club of

Club Number

District Number

National Council

New Member Information

Title:

First Name

Middle Initial

Last Name

Date of birth:

Email address:

Telephone Number:

Street address:

City:

State:

Postal Code:

Country:

Spouse Information

Spouse is joining concurrently with applicant named above

Spouse is already a Serran (fill out NAME only)

Name:

Email address:

Telephone Number:

Sponsor Information

Email address:

Telephone Number:

Signature of applicant:

Signature of sponsor:

Pastor's approval signature (or witness to pastor's approval):

Serra club officer signature:

Office:

Date Joined:

New Member Fee: \$11.75

I have included \$11.75 for each new member indicated on this application.



Birthdays

Rev. Msgr. Ricardo Coronado-Arrascue	05/09/00
Rev. James Klein	05/14/00
Rev. Homero Cardozo-Vargas	05/21/00
Rev. Donald Brownstein	05/27/00
Rev. Lawrence C. Brennan	05/28/00
Rev. Msgr. Robert Jaeger	06/05/00
Rev. Sean McCann	06/05/00
Rev. David Boroff	06/07/00
Rev. Kyle Ingels	06/07/00
Rev. Randall Rentner, CSC	06/07/00
Rev. C. Joseph Dygert	06/13/00
Rev. Roylan Recio Mirabent	06/18/00
Rev. Allen M. Stahl	06/20/00
Rev. Stephen Akujobi	06/21/00
Rev. Alfredo Garcia-Chavez	06/23/00
Rev. Kenneth M. Molinaro, CSC	06/30/00