



Saint Serra

Saint Serra Club of Colorado Springs

"Always forward, never back"



DECEMBER 2021

Saint Serra Club of Colorado Springs Newsletter

President Janet Zabukovic's Message

Dear Fellow Serrans:

Happy new liturgical year!

As Advent begins, I have been thinking about this season of joyful anticipation during which we can prepare ourselves for celebrating the coming of Jesus in the incarnate form of a tiny, helpless baby. This time of the year can be stressful as we engage in the secular activities associated with Christmas- shopping for gifts, decoration our homes, sending Christmas cards, planning family gatherings- and all that on top of the everyday stresses that are compounded by the stress of the ongoing pandemic. Last Sunday, my pastor, Fr. Jason Keas, spoke about spending time during this blessed Advent season to prepare ourselves not just for the celebration of Christmas but also for that unknown time when Jesus will come for us. He challenged us to put aside the stresses and anxieties of the season to concentrate on that which matters most- making sure our relationship with God is flourishing so that we will be ready when Christ returns. We can prepare for the Nativity by making more time to pray and by setting aside time each day to reflect on scripture. I invite all of you to make a commitment to consciously prepare for the great and wondrous gift of Christmas!

In thinking about Advent, I also reflected on the role our Priests play in our preparation, not just for Christmas, but also for the end of our earthly journey. As a Serran, during Advent and always, remember to pray for our Priests as they labor in God's vineyard. We should also remember to pray for our seminarians, men preparing themselves for the Priesthood. Think about the beauty of the Advent and Christmas Seasons in the Catholic Church, and remember that without our Priests, there would be no Mass, no Eucharist, and no sacraments! Take time during the busyness of this season to pray for our Priests, seminarians, deacons, religious brothers and sisters, and for those discerning a religious vocation.

I wish all of you and your families a blessed Advent Season!

Jan Zabukovic



"Advent is a time of waiting
for our Lord, who will visit
us all in our own hearts.
The Lord is coming!
Let us wait for him!"

POPE FRANCIS

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



This years Christmas Party will be held in conjunction with the Diocese Luncheon for the Seminarians. Reservations were required by December 3rd. If you did not make a reservation you will not be able to attend. You can be put on a waiting list if there are cancelations. Contact the Diocese Office at egriffith@diocs.org

Serra Club Current Officers:

President – Jan Zabukovic
Vice-President – Pat Van Matre
Secretary – Marty Broestl
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VP Communications – Dennis Palsgrove
VP Membership – Joel Kostyrka, Sue Harmon & Anna Marie Trupp-Hughes
Newsletter Editor – Dennis Palsgrove
Trustees – Charlene Pardo and Eleanor Gentilini
,Serra Foundation - Charlene Pardo

Reminder: The dues for the coming year for our St Serra Club will be due in January

Father Kyle's Message

Dear Serrans

Merry Christmas to you all and thank you for all your hard work this year.



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ST SERRA CLUB ANNIVERSARY DINNER

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St. Paul's Parish Center

Details to follow



Serra MEETS

SERRA, NOW MORE THAN EVER!

**An online speaker series
with vocations in mind**

Serra Meets Most Rev. Thomas Daly
Bishop of Spokane
Episcopal Adviser for Serra's USA Council
Saturday, Dec. 11, 2021 at 11 a.m. CDT



Bishop Daly will be blessing us with a special reflection for the Advent season.

On Saturday, Dec. 11 at 11 a.m. CDT, please click the link below to join the webinar:

[https://zoom.us/j/95992451924?
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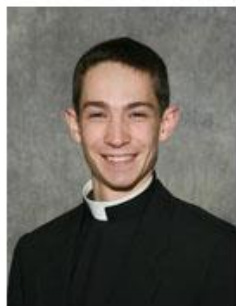
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NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME



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 and Anniversaries

Rev. Ronald Raab, CSC	11/09/00
Rev. Joseph Vu	11/11/00
Rev. Abraham Kannampalackal	11/23/00
Rev. John Toepfer, OFM, Cap.	11/26/00
Rev. Jaimes Ponce	11/29/00
Rev. Amlesom Gaim Gawed, OFM Cap	12/01/00
Rev. Tomasz Jamka	12/03/00
Deacon James Bachta	11/03/00
Deacon Derek Bothern	11/04/00
Deacon Michael Leverington	11/12/00
Deacon Thomas Sandusky	11/15/00
Deacon Thomas Tenpenny	11/16/00
Deacon Mark Griffith	11/17/00
Deacon John Riley	11/26/00
Deacon Andrew Berry	12/02/00
Deacon Francisco Carpio	12/04/00
Deacon Edward Wilmes	12/05/00