



Saint Serra

Saint Serra Club of Colorado Springs

"Always forward, never back"



NOVEMBER 2021

Saint Serra Club of Colorado Springs Newsletter

President Janet Zabukovic's Message

Dear Fellow Serrans:

November is a notable month for several reasons. It is a time to think about gratitude for our family, friends, and the gifts God has given to each of us. Even if we are unable to share a meal with our family and friends, we can still reach out and let those people know that we are grateful for their presence in our lives.

November is the month to remember All Saints, the Church Triumphant. Not only are the recognized Saints wonderful role models and inspiration to all of us as we strive to live out our faith, but they are a powerful intercessor for us when we pray for their intercession.

November is also a month to pray for All Souls, not just on November 2nd, the day set aside for that, but also throughout the month. We should always pray for the departed and ask God that his purifying grace may release their souls from Purgatory so that they may join God in Heaven for eternity. Part of our responsibility as the Church Militant is to pray for the Church Suffering, so keeping the departed in our prayers should be part of our everyday prayer life.

This November, our St. Serra Club has much for which to be grateful! At the Serra Convention in Chicago last month, our Club was recognized as a Banner Club for member contributions to the Serra Foundation- thanks to those who donated. At the recent Serra District 6 Convention, our Club was recognized for Best Chaplain (Fr. Kyle Ingels), Best Newsletter (Dennis Palsgrove), Best Membership Activities (Pat Van Matre and Joel Kostyrka), Outstanding Serran (Eleanor Gentilini), and Outstanding Club- that's all of you! The Convention was a wonderful event that included a delicious dinner with Bishop Golka in attendance and a day that began with a beautiful Mass and continued with great sessions by our presenters. Just a week later, our St. Serra Club hosted a Serra USA Parish Vocations Committee training presented by Judy Cozzens and Dr. Anne Roat. The training was well attended and the participants were enthusiastic as they made plans with their parishes to begin and/or continue the important work of fostering, supporting and affirming vocations in their respective parishes. Events such as the convention and the training do not happen accidentally- they are the result of the hard work of dedicated Serrans. Thanks to all who helped to plan, organize, and stage this convention!

This month, which is focused on gratitude, let's remember to include our Priests, seminarians, Deacons and other religious in our prayers. The work of a priest involves long hours and can be stressful. Many, if not most, priests live alone and some do not have family nearby. Just like any person in a position that serves others, priests can be subject to feelings of fatigue, loneliness and depression mixed with the joy of their vocation. Please be intentional about reaching out to the priests in your life to let them know that they are loved and appreciated. Pray for the deceased clergy too and ask the Saints to intercede for the intentions of all those who have answered God's call.

Jan Zabukovic

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.



Father Kyle's Message

Dear Serrans

As I write this, we have just finished back-to-back weekends of busy events. Our Convention and Vocation Training went exceptionally well. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication. Now, we can all sleep a little longer on Saturdays.

I am very proud of the many awards we won at the State Convention, especially Club of the Year. You are all amazing.

Later this week, I am flying to Maryland to see the seminarians. The week of Thanksgiving, I will fly to Nebraska to see our men there. I will give your greetings to them when I see them.

Please mark your calendar for Matt Kane's ordination: December 22 at 12:10 at St Mary's Cathedral. Please keep him in prayer.

Thank you for all you do. Everything from the organization to the food to the decorating to the photos and videos of our events is amazing.

Blessed Thanksgiving to all of you and yours!

St. Junipero, pray for us.

Fr Kyle



PARISH VOCATION MINISTRY TRAINING MEETING OCT 30 REPORT

The Parish Vocation Ministry Training was held at the Newman Center on Saturday, October 30. Dr. Anne Roat, USA Council VP of Vocations, and Judy Cozzens, Past USA Council President provided training to representatives from nine parishes, which included five pastors. During the workshop, the participants from their respective parish devised a draft mission statement, goal(s), objectives, and action plan to help prepare them to establish a vocation ministry in their respective parish with their pastor's approval. The trainers provided the attendees with excellent handouts and resources. Four of our St. Serra Club members were representatives of their respective parishes. Fourteen Serrans attended the training. Several of our members plan to volunteer to serve as a mentor to their assigned parish. Dr. Roat will assign the participating parish vocation ministry a mentor for one year. Several of our members assisted Fr. Kyle in hosting the workshop. Special thanks to the Serrans who helped set up, provide breakfast, serve breakfast/lunch, and clean up. Lunch was prepared by Pita Pit.

Serra Club Current Officers:

President – Jan Zabukovic

Vice-President – Pat Van Matre

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Our November 18th St Serra Club meeting will be at the Saint John Henry Newman Center.

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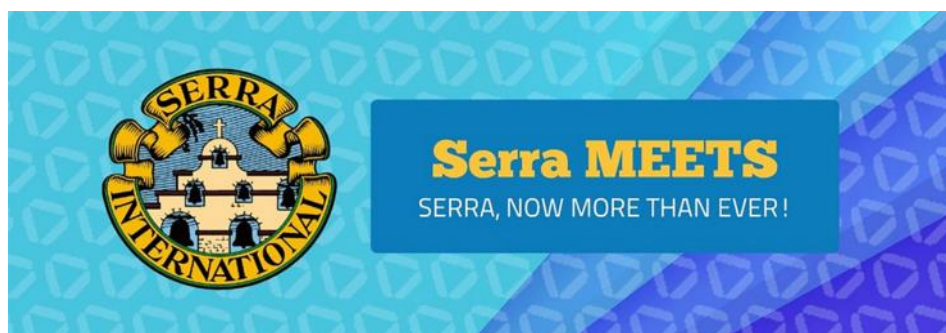
Please enter via Clyde Way which connects Austin Bluffs to the Ent Center for the Performing Arts. You cannot access the Newman Center through the Eagle Rock neighborhood.

Our Guest Speaker will be Deacon Patrick S.J. Carmack, JD. Deacon Patrick is Founder and President of the Angelicum Academy Homeschool Program (angelicum.net) and the Great Books Academy Homeschool Program (greatbooksacademy.org), k-College programs

We will begin with **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the St John Henry Newman Chapel at 11:30 AM,**

Followed by **Mass at 12 noon, celebrated by Fr Kyle Ingels.**

After Mass, we will adjourn to the main hall of the Newman Center for a Brief business meeting followed by lunch. Cash donations for the lunch will be accepted at the meeting, details to follow.



Our Next Serra Meets: November 13, 2021



Please join us for our next installment of "Serra Meets" on November 13, 2021 when we will visit with John Zimmer, Vice President of Apostolic Development for the Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS).

On Nov. 13 at 11 a.m. Central Time, please click the link below to join the webinar:

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The recorded video will appear here shortly after.

SERRA DISTRICT 6 CONVENTION REPORT

Serra District 6 Convention was held at St. John Henry Newman Catholic Student Center October 22–23, 2021 and hosted by our Colorado Springs Serrans. District 6 encompasses all three Dioceses in Colorado which totals 9 Serra Clubs, all of which were represented. The theme this year was “God’s Call to Holiness Transcends Generations.”

Friday evening began with a wine social in the Library of the Student Center where attendees could view displays of our major sponsors who helped fund the convention. We are grateful for their generosity. This was followed by our Convention Dinner catered by You and I Caterers. Our Keynote Speaker was Mr. Richard Arians, President of Serra USA, who spoke on “Recognizing Our Call to Holiness.”

Saturday was a very full day, attended by 72 participants with 8 more speakers. Following Mass and Breakfast, our own Father Kyle Ingels opened the convention, followed by Fr. Carl Wertin of the Diocese of Pueblo Vocations. Both gave insights about the generations that will be providing Vocations in the near future, while Tyler Kluzak, UCCS student, gave us a window into college life as it is today. After lunch from WhichWich, we listened to two of our own Serrans, Doug Berg from Pueblo and Nancy Akers from Aurora, speak of how God has worked in their lives. Serrans chose one of three workshops to attend: Jessica Harris of Fort Collins who does spiritual direction with students from CSU; our own Charlene Pardo who grew up in Carmel, CA, one of Fr. Junipero Serra’s missions and knows so much about our Patron; and Sr. Quynh Phan, a Salesian, whose joy in her vocation is evident in all she speaks.

Serra District Awards were presented throughout the day with Colorado Springs receiving five of the eight to include the Outstanding Club Award accepted by our President, Jan Zabukovic. Several door prizes, donated by various sponsors, churches, and individuals, were given away at the close of our very successful and enlightening convention. We hope you will join us next year.





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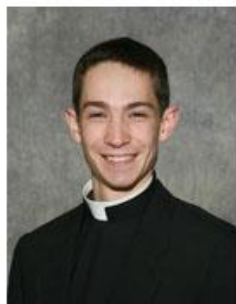
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NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME



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