

District 6 Club #723 Region 13
 Chartered September 29, 1990 **Chaplain: Fr. Mark Kovacik**



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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Dear Serrans,
 What a jewel studded month October has been for us!

Travel Meeting at St Francis of Assisi: Young Father Micah Flores shared his uncompromising devotion to Our Blessed Mother Mary for his health and life - a remarkable example of faith! Thank you, Stan Peterson for presenting the “Bikes for Seminarians” initiative, so genuinely appreciated at the seminary.

District 6 Conference: Our fellow Serrans tantalized us with an engaging and inspiring array of speakers, camaraderie, dear friendships and delectable food. Thank you Bill Fitzgerald and Peggy Morrow for your dedication and contributions. And Jim and Judy Heinze carried the torch of award winners. We are all proud of your achievement!

Annual Retreat: Our Chaplin, Fr. Mark instilled deep hope in us with his message of our history and the Eucharist. Our vibrant Retreat Master, Fr. C. J. Mast led us tenderly through the precious intimacy of contemplative prayer. Adoration. Benediction. What an experience!

That afternoon during adoration, my heart was filled with hope and encouragement. God has blessed our Apostolate with so many talented, generous, loving members. Your gifts are poured out with such grace and humility it gives me pause. I am honored to be in this mission with you all. May Our Blessed Mother hold us together, in concert, working for Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Praying and playing await us in November. I’m anticipating another great month ahead with you all.

Jan

“There is no place on earth where God is more present than in the human heart.” - Robert Cardinal Sarah

CHAPLAIN’S MESSAGE

On Sunday November 26 we will celebrate Christ the King which is the last day of the liturgical year. At the end of the year the Church focuses on the last things. On December 3, we begin a new liturgical year with Advent. We are currently in Year A which focuses on the Gospel of Mathew for the Sunday Gospels and we will move into Year B which focuses on Mark (there is a three year cycle for the Sunday readings and a two year cycle for the daily readings). The first part of Advent focuses on the Second Coming of Jesus and the second part focuses on the First Coming of Jesus. We desire to hasten the coming of Jesus as He will usher in a new heavens and a new earth. We say in each Eucharist “Maranatha” which means “come Lord Jesus”.

God bless, Fr. Mark

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov. 4 — [St. Scholastica](#) Erie, Saturday; prayer meeting after 7:30 AM Mass**
- Nov. 5-11 — [Vocations Awareness Week](#)
- Nov. 17 — SHJ Friday 9 AM General Meeting, Board Meeting 8AM; Christmas Party planning; treat bag assembly**
- December - no meetings**
- Dec. 2 - Christmas Party SHJ Jubilee Hall**

Oct 7 meeting at SFA

Our speaker at our October Traveling meeting at St. Francis of Assisi was Fr. Micah Flores, who was a transitional deacon at SFA 2021-2022.

Stan gave us a slideshow featuring thank-you notes and photographs of seminarians and sisters with their donated bicycles.

October Annual Retreat

Fr. C.J. Mast and Fr. Mark spoke at our retreat Oct. 20. We had about 40 attendees. One or two attendees might become members.

Fr. C.J. asks us for our prayers as he works with his high school students at Bishop Machebeuf.

email received from Fr. C. J.

Jan,

It was great to be with you all last Friday. I really enjoyed watching the Lord work in the midst of the group. Once again, I am so grateful for all that the Serra Club does for the promotion and fostering of vocations.

. . . I am attaching the handout that I printed off in case some members wanted a digital copy.

Know of our continued prayers for you!
Please let me know if there is ever anything you or the Serra Club need in the future.

In Christ,

Fr CJ Mast

* If you want the handout contact Jan or Amy.



District 6 Convention

Many in our Apostolate attended the District 6 Convention on October 14th at [St. Thomas More](#) in Centennial.

Congratulations to Jim and Judy Heinze, winners of the District 6 2023 Best V.P.s for Vocations!

Best Serra Club was awarded to the Serra Club of Colorado Springs, and Best Serran was awarded to Bruce Keller of the Serra Club of Southwest Denver.

The Keynote speaker [Kevin Wells](#) was the main highlight of the conference. You can view his [June 10 Serra Meets presentation](#) on youtube (~ 1 hour) on-line or find it here: <https://www.youtube.com/@serrainternational460/featured>. You can also view the videos of the conference here: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLX5UBXOZpmkL7vuVfI6viEg0K7pfLIKDL>

Seminarian Christmas Cards

Please donate to our Seminarian Christmas Card fund. As is our annual custom, we will be signing Christmas Cards for about 40 Redemptoris Mater seminarians, and inserting some cash in each card. Then we will take them to Redemptoris Mater for distribution. Can you give \$50 for this effort? Any amount is most appreciated, on-line or bring a check.

New Orleans Serra International Convention

August 8-1, 2024

<https://serrainternational.org/new-orleans-convention/>

Registration Opens Spring 2024

New Orleans Marriot on Canal St.

Speakers:

Cardinal Thomas Collins
Archbishop Aymond
Dr. Thomas Neal
Fr. Joshua Rodriguez
Fr. Colm Cahill
Sr. Beth Fitzpatrick

No-Golf Fundraiser

Our annual no-golf fundraiser is in its second month. Please consider donating to our apostolate. You can use our website to pay with a credit card

<https://www.serraclubbouldercounty.org>

- click on Payment Portal (top right)
- select: Donate

or write a check payable to:

Serra Apostolate of Boulder County
1200 Venice Street, Longmont, CO 80501

Seminarian Spotlight

Read this article in the Serra Magazine August 2023 on page 32.

<https://serrainternational.org/ser-magazine-august-2023/>

and more directly

<https://serrainternational.org/2023/10/09/the-freedom-to-say-yes-discernment-180-retreat-led-david-nelle-to-apply-to-seminary/>

A seminarian answered the call, encouraged by Discernment 180 (“D180”)

<https://discernment180.com/>

Discernment 180 is a six-month structured guide for Catholic men to discern the priesthood. Its author is [Fr. Greg Gerhart](#), Vocation Director of the Diocese of Austin.

Miami Serra Rally 2024

January 18-21st

<https://serraus.org/serra-rally-2024/>

[Miami Marriot Dadeland](#)

Speakers:

Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski
Bishop Thomas Daly
Fr. Jorge Torres
Sr. Irene Regina (Paulinas)
Sr. Margaret Ann (ABCC)

Pilgrimage to Israel

In the Denver Catholic Oct. 19 2023

<https://denvercatholic.org/this-boulder-priest-was-leading-a-student-group-through-israel-and-then-war-broke-out/>

Read about Fr. Anthony’s experience in Nazareth on October 7, while leading 38 Steubenville students on a pilgrimage.

Calendar

Birthdays and Anniversaries

November Members Birthdays

- Nov. 5 — Dori M. Fitzgerald
- Nov. 5 — Richard Stadler
- Nov. 6 — Mary Safranek
- Nov. 20 — Joe Calabria
- Nov. 30 — Jim Heinze

November Seminarians Birthdays

- Nov. 9 — Teekeke Anterea
- Nov. 11 — Andres Losada
- Nov. 20 — Jeremiah Hernandez
- Nov. 22 — Joshua Rodriguez-Mendoza
- Nov. 24 — Jose Manuel Ruiz Medina
- Dec. 5 — Andres Zepeda
- Dec. 6 — Daniel Rivas

November Member Anniversaries

- Nov. 7 — Jan & Ken Landers (1981)
- Nov. 25 — Bob & Donna Farrell (1988)
- Nov. 27 — Vern & Cathy Rogowski (1957)
- Nov. 28 — Ed & Sue Husler (1964)
- Nov. 30 — Joe & Brenda Davis (1974)

November Religious Anniversaries:

- Dec. 1 — Fr. Mark Kovacik (2007) SHJ

9 AM Winter Meetings Starting in November

Our winter meetings at Sacred Heart of Jesus will be at 9AM, from November through March.

Oct. 27-Nov.4 — [St. Charles Borromeo novena for seminarians](#) (Handbook for Serrans p. 187)

Nov. 1 — All Saints Day: Holy Day of Obligation

Nov. 3 — [St. Martin de Porres](#) memorial

Nov. 4 — [St. Scholastica](#) Erie, Saturday; prayer meeting after 7:30 AM Mass; Quilt Sale

Nov. 5 — Time Change - set clock back 1 hour

Nov. 5 — [Immaculate Conception](#) Craft Sale 9AM-1:30PM

Nov. 5-11 — [Vocations Awareness Week](#)

Nov. 11 — Nativity 60-YEAR ANNIVERSARY [FALL GALA](#); 5 PM; Omni Interlocken; Broomfield; school fundraiser

Nov. 11 — [St. Joseph Golden](#); St. Cecilia Mass; prelude music begins 10:45 AM; reception to follow

Nov. 11 — [St. John the Baptist](#); Advent and Christmas Open House; 10AM - 5PM; Benedict Hall

Nov. 17 — SHJ Friday 9 AM General Meeting, Board Meeting; Christmas Party planning

Nov. 17 — [Mother Cabrini Shrine Gala](#); 5:30; Denver

Nov. 24 — [St. Junipero Serra's birthday \(1713\)](#)

December - no meetings

Dec. 2 - Christmas Party SHJ Jubilee Hall 2-4 PM

Dec. 3 — Advent Begins

Dec. 8-10 — [St. John the Baptist](#) Christmas Market

Dec. 16 — [Wreaths Across America Day](#)

Dec. 20,21,22,23 - [Redemptoris Mater](#) Christmas Concert; great fun for the family!

Jan. 6 — [St. Scholastica](#), Saturday travel meeting after 7:30 AM mass

Jan. 18-21 2024 — [Serra Rally Miami](#)

Jan. 19 — [SHJ](#) Friday 9AM general & board meeting 8 AM

July 2024 — [SI Convention New Orleans LA](#)

Feb. 2 — [World Day for Consecrated Life](#)

Feb. 3 — [SHM](#) 8AM Saturday Fr. Jonathan Dellinger

Feb. 14 — Lent Begins with Ash Wednesday

Prayer List

Please pray for those in need of healing:

- Fr. Greg Ames
- Bill Bowe
- Bob Brockish
- Teresa Christoff
- Lorna Christoff

- Chase Curfman
- Bill Eck
- Betsye Feauto
- Judy Heinze
- Matthew Hibl
- Pauline Higgins
- Jane Kryska
- Audrey Kenney
- George Morzinski

- Marcus Poulin (Annette & Chase)
- Helga Riedl
- Woody Roberts
- Mary Safranek
- Larry Sorenson

and for the repose of the souls of

- Rosemary Ames
- Jeanette Denfeld
- Betty Jancosek
- Ramon Jesch
- Omar Aguirre Salazar

Pray also for new members for our Apostolate.