

District 6, Club #723
Region 13 Chartered

Initiated September 29, 1990

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V.P. Communications: Steve Sparough
Parish Liaison: Rita Roberts



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Serrans,

The previous 2 years have been like a blitzkrieg, and unfortunately like a blitzkrieg, the front lines have been outrunning their supplies. The 2 years have been filled with many accomplishments and achievements; however, they have not come without costs. Unfortunately, we cannot continue on this track without some increasing support. The charge for the Seminarians' Gala event was \$200 per person, with our club covering \$140 of each of the 23 attendees' fees for a total of \$3,400. Our Affirmation Dinner at Pinocchio's, (July 17th): Last year's cost: \$3,600 for dinners and gifts to priests, nuns, deacons and wives, plus \$400 for the cost overrun of the meals and gratuity, a total of \$4,000. Income, on the other hand, has not been able to keep up; burrito sales at SHM (main fund raiser) event yielded just over \$1,500. Doing the math is alarming.

As President, more than a leader, I'm here to serve you. Considering the tasks, I'm feeling a bit like St. Andre Bessette, "If anyone were dumber than me, they would take this job." Especially after the tough act I've been asked to follow!

"Faith without works is dead." James 2:26. Jan has given all the credit of her accomplishments to "Our Team." She has worked hard to reach out to various Catholic business for donations and support. Likewise, the Team needs to work toward lowering costs and continue increasing the fund-raising efforts. Kathy Kaler is developing a project to sell socks, which will boost our revenue as well as provide gifts for the Seminarians. The Bingo game scheduled for July 12th at St. Martin de Porres will be a fun event and is designed to increase support.

So, it's not all bad news, and you can bet with challenges come rewards.

Love unites us, God's Will sustains us!

Stan

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Dear Serrans,

This Friday, June 27, we will be celebrating the 150th anniversary of Sacred Heart of Jesus church. SHJ is more the people than the building; it is the mystical body of Christ. It is the privileged place of encounter between God and man. The physical structure where believers gather is both a consequence of the faith of the people of God and an immense help to us to be in union with Jesus.

With our origin in 1875, how can we not give glory to God for the 150 years of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church and 125 years of Sacred Heart of Jesus School.

I give thanks to God that for 150 years beginning with 133 families parishioners that have been able to bring their children for Baptism, the gateway to the Christian life, and through the cleansing water, have become children of God.

I give thanks for all the brides who have walked down the aisle to enter into a communion of life, sharing in the love between Christ and His Church.

I am grateful that through the different priests in each generation, so many burdened by their own actions, know they could come to SHJ to receive the mercy of God in the forgiveness of their sins.

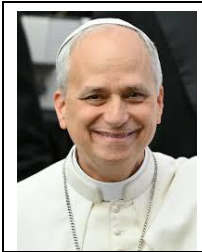
On Friday, June 27, I invite you all to attend the mass at 4:30pm and the celebration that will follow. I have invited the priests that have served the parish to the event; many have accepted. Together let's celebrate our rich history and our bright future.

Yours in Christ,

Father Mark Kovacik

Pastor of SHJ, Serra Apostolate Chaplain.

Pope Leo Biography



Pope Leo XIV, also known as Robert Francis Prevost, is the newly elected Pope as of May 8, 2025, succeeding Pope Francis and becoming the first American pope in history.

Background:

- * Born in Chicago, Illinois, in 1955.
- * Father is of French and Italian descent; Mother is of Spanish descent.
- * Studied at the Minor Seminary of the Augustinian Fathers, Villanova University (mathematics degree), and the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago.
- * Joined the Order of Saint Augustine in 1977.
- * Ordained a priest in 1982.
- * Extensive missionary work in Peru.
- * Head of the Augustinian order from 2001 to 2013.
- * Made a Cardinal by Pope Francis in 2023.
- * 1st U.S. pope; 1st from the Order of Augustine.
- * Before becoming pope, he was responsible for overseeing the selection of new bishops.

Key Aspects of Pope Leo XIV's Papacy

- * **Continues Pope Francis's Agenda:**
He is expected to continue the focus on social issues, outreach to marginalized groups, and a more inclusive approach within the church.
- * **Moderate Stance:**
He is seen as a centrist, with a progressive approach on some social issues while maintaining conservative views on church doctrine.
- * **Emphasis on Dialogue and Inclusion:**
Vatican News reports that he embraces marginalized groups and champions the cause of the poor and migrants.
- * **Low Profile on Controversial Issues:**
He is known for maintaining a low profile on the most contentious and sensitive issues facing the church, according to CBS News.
- * **Focus on Pastoral Care:**
He has a strong background in pastoral work, particularly in Peru, and is expected to prioritize the spiritual well-being of the faithful.

Upcoming Events

Brats and Bingo July 12



Food • Drinks • Prizes • Fun

Saturday July 12, 5:00 - 8:00 PM

St. Martin de Porres

3300 Table Mesa Dr. Boulder CO 80305

\$10 Suggested Donation

Appreciation Dinner July 17

Our 2025 Appreciation Dinner will be on Thursday July 17 from 5 PM to 8 PM at [Pinocchios](#) an incredible Italian restaurant in Longmont, across from Lowes.

Please plan to attend and.... if you can, sponsor a priest or deacon to attend.

The cost is \$65. Payment can be made on the portal.

Please RSVP by July 5, to Dori Fitzgerald.

More information is available at:

<https://www.serraclubbouldercounty.org/>

Monthly Serra - US Committee Calls

Second Monday of each month. Calls rotate between Vocations, Programs, Membership and Communications

Connect info:

Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84573765544>

Pwd: DdsMmVUVExpWIBZVU9TKzN6UGpBUT09

Call: +13092053325

Meeting ID: 845 7376 5544

Passcode: 884161

BRATS & BINGO



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St Joseph Hall

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Boulder CO 80305

- Food
- Drinks
- Prizes
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Suggested Donation \$10

Donate Online

All Parishioners Invited

Help Us Support Vocations

<https://www.serraclubbouldercounty.org>
serraclubbouldercounty@gmail.com

Saint Serra
Apostolate



Birthdays and Anniversaries

July Members Birthdays

July 7 – Dave Gallagher

July 9 - Doug Feauto

July 14 – Rob Brockish

July 25 – Nohemi Scott

July Seminarians Birthdays

July 7 — Tenanal Tebaoti (Theo I)

July 13 - Gabriel Pineda Mendoza (Pre-Theo I)

July 17 - Bryan Cardoso (Pre Theo I)

July 21 - Sile Wilfried Kone (Theo III)

July 24 - Adrian Ibarra Quiroz (Pre-Theo II)

July Member Anniversaries

July 13 — Jeannine & Ronald Myers

July 23 – Jerome & Pauline Higgins
Dick & Dona Padmos

July 24 – Jonathan & Mary Ellen Thorne

July Religious Anniversaries

None

90 Day Schedule

July 1 - Feast of St. Junipero Serra

July 4 - NO MEETING on Independence Day

July 12 – Brats & Bingo Fundraiser
St Martin de Porres

July 17 - Appreciation Dinner: 5-8pm

Pinocchios

210 Ken Pratt Blvd #260,

Longmont, CO 80501

<https://www.pinocchioslongmont.com/>

July 18 – Annual Memorial Service for Deceased Serrans
SHJ 8AM General Mtg, Board Mtg,
Speaker: Dcn Tim McCann

Aug. 1 – SHJ 8AM General Mtg,
Speaker: Vicky Kolman, Consecrated Virgin

Aug 15 – SHJ 8AM General Mtg, Board Mtg
Speaker: Fr Francis Mayinja

Sept 1 – Site to be announced, General Mtg,
Speaker: Steve Sparough's Medugorje
pilgrimage and insights recap.

Sept. 12, 13 - Serra District conference; [Queen of Peace](#)
1320 E Kentucky Ave, Aurora, CO
Keynote Speaker:
Col (Ret) John Halloran, USAC President
Social, Sep 12: Noonans Restaurant
13521 E Iliff Ave, Aurora, CO

Sept. 20-27 - Jubilee Pilgrimage Assisi & Rome with
Dcn Steve Vallero, Fr Zach Michalczyk
deacon.vallero@archden.org

Save the Date

January 22-25, 2026: Serra Leadership Rally

St Louis, MO

All are welcome for training.

, workshops, spiritual direction

Pease Remember in Your Prayers:

Our Denver Seminarians at St John Vianney

James Berg	
Cody Bliss	Michael Irlbeck
Dominic Borchers	Will Ives
Jack Brustkern	James Joseph
Rev. Mr. Blaise Buches	Joseph Machado
Thaddeus Conder	Ashton Mendoza
Enrique Cruz-Bautista	Luke Metzger
Isaac Cunnings	Thomas Myers, Jr.
Rev. Mr. Jose Delgado	David
Rev. Mr. Jason DiRito	Napierkowski
Cooper Eitel	Jeremiah Obiano
James Finders	Daniel Olivas-Rey
Rev. Mr. Jonathan	Francisco Perez
Francois	Michael Randolph
Manuel Hinojosa	Rev. Mr. Daniel
Daniel Igoe	Rivas
	Joseph Tynan
	Steven Zarian

Our Redemptoris Mater Seminarians (USA)

Michael Pitio	
Joshua Rodriguez	Antonio Barba
David Frazier	Gianluca Gomez
Daniel Rivas	Jorge Payano
Gabriela Pineda	Leonardo Pineda
Andres Losada	Paul Sanchez
Eric Eccleston	Marcus Chua
Octavio Alexis	Matthew Zumiga
Hernandez	Noah Alo
Giovanni Tolentino	Matheo Cuartas
Andres Zepeda	Joan Carlos Guevara
Javier Arambula	Lucas Cruz
Isaias Vargas	Rafael Lerma
Jeremiah Hernadez	Raphael de Jos Reyes
John Nunez	Timothy Rodriguez

Our Ailing Serra Members and Spouses

For our Recently Departed Members

Fr. Greg Ames	Matthew Hibl	Mary Safranek	Rosemary Ames	Helga Riedl
Sr. Roseann Barman	Pauline Higgins	Bob Serafin	Dcn. Dave Arling	Omar Salazar
Bill Bowe	Lisa Hodges	Dick Stadler	Dcn. Chris Byrne	Bridget Price
Fr. Bill Breslin	Ed Husler	Nancy Sorenson	Carol Brockish	Adrian Leyva
Bob Brockish	Corky Jaster	Pamela Sparough	Jeanette Denfeld	George Morzinski
Teresa Christoff	Jane Kryska	Wayne Stetson	Bob Farrell	Patricia Warner
Lorna Christoff	Audrey Kenney	Dcn. George Thierjung	Gilbert J. Garcia	
Chase Curfman	Marcus Poulin		Mary Ann Hibl	
Bill Eck	(Annette &		Betty Jancosek	
Betsy Feauto	Chase)		Ramon Jesch	
Terry Gallagher	Mary Quilici		Warren S. Peterson	
	Woody Roberts		John Bernard Price	

SERRA APOSTOLATE PRINCIPLES

Spiritual
growth in
Christ

Encouragement
of church vocations

Religious
vocations

Responsive
lay leadership

Association
in Christian
fellowship

United States of America Council of Serra Strategic Plan 2024-2027

Vision 2035

Become recognized as the worldwide resource for supporting religious vocations.

Overarching Goal 2024-2027

Foster a culture of vocations to the ministerial priesthood among parishes, schools, and families.

Goal 1: Increase Awareness of the Work of Serra at all Levels:

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- i. Expand presence in parish, diocesan and national catholic media to increase awareness of Serra's mission and work.
- ii. Inform clubs about activities and best practices to be shared via media and other means of communication.
- iii. Create an annual marketing plan in order to effectively and routinely communicate what Serra is and what is and does to support and foster vocations worldwide.
- iv. Collaborate with other religious vocations organizations to promote the work and mission of Serra to its constituents.

Goal 2: Improve Local Club Engagement at the Parish Level:

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- i. Increase Local Club involvement in parishes by encouraging Serrans to join or start vocation committees at parishes in their area by June of 2026.
- ii. Evaluate existing local vocation activities, add one additional program per year, and include all age groups and Catholic youth organizations.
- iii. Create programs and resources in parishes that are focused on the family to equip parents to welcome and foster vocations by June of 2026.
- iv. Develop a stronger awareness of vocations in parish communities to highlight the critical need for vocations to the priesthood and vowed religious life by December of 2025.
- v. Offer a monthly Holy Hour at different parishes to promote vocations.
- vi. Promote an annual Mass at the parish as a way to inform parishioners about vocation promotion committees (or to start one) and to learn of the need for more vocations.
- vii. Provide frequent notices about seminarians from the diocese to the parishes.
- viii. Promote "Adopt a Seminarian" program to parishes to encourage vocations through prayer.
- ix. Use the Traveling Chalice or Crucifix as a means to support and pray for vocations.
- x. Participate in diocesan ordinations in support of the diocese and seminarians.

Goal 3: Expand Support for Serra Clubs:

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- i. Develop different possible structures and formats for Serra clubs to allow flexibility for local cultures and traditions.
- ii. Adopt "Sister Clubs" to share best practices, programs, vocation ideas and materials, and assist with club dues, when needed.