

District 6 Club #723 Region 13
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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Dear Serrans,

Maybe it’s just wishful optimism. But I think I’m starting to defrost!

For a couple of weeks there, I’m convinced I sported ice chips for eyebrows.

Anyway, we’re into March and we’re picking up speed. Between planning a SHM Burrito Sunday and our Annual Lenten Retreat, we’ve managed to pack in a few additional productive ‘fundraiser-idea’ sessions alongside our regular meetings already this year.

And along the way, we have confirmed Spring/ Summer invitations to visit Guardian Angels and again to St John’s. Future hopefuls are St Martin’s and back to St Scholastica. So, our travel meetings will continue; proven to be perfect opportunities to grow our membership.

Meanwhile, right around the corner, at SHJ will be the Altar Server Easter Gifts prep and New Officer Elections and in Denver, the RM Gala. We are in full speed, for sure. It’s great to be in this fast lane ministry with all of you, working for Our Lord. Thank you for your dedication.

So, the February ice chips may be gone from my eyebrows, but just in time for our snowiest month. Most likely, March will never escape snow or Lent for that matter.

Speaking of Lent, I’d like to rethink Lent. You know, let positive action/words or prayerful silence win. Every time. Every single time. *(no chocolate is easy-peasy!)*

Rather than the dread and gloom of sackcloth, ashes and fasting, I’m going to try to picture Lent as warmth; slowly melting the ice encased treasure of my heart; all our hearts, actually.

Maybe with the grace of the Holy Spirit and Divine

Providence, it’ll be ready for Easter!

Jan Landers

President

“So then, prepare your hearts and minds for action! Stay alert and fix your hope firmly on the marvelous grace that is coming to you.”

1 Peter 1:13

CHAPLAIN’S MESSAGE

With Ash Wednesday on March 5 we enter into the Season of Lent. We have 40 days to prepare for the center of the liturgical year: the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Lent is a time of prayer and penance. The more clearly we recognize our sins and the need of a Savior, the better prepared we are to celebrate the Easter Season. Let us take advantage of this Season of Lent to prepare to receive the salvation that the Messiah has won for us which we will celebrate at Easter.

God bless, Fr. Mark

UPCOMING EVENTS
Mar. 2 — Sunday [Sacred Heart of Mary](#); Breakfast Burritos after the 8 AM and 10 AM masses; fundraiser for our Apostolate
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March 2 Breakfast Burritos Fundraiser at Sacred Heart of Mary

Mark your calendar for Sunday March 2! Our Apostolate has been honored by the Sacred Heart of Mary Breakfast Burritos Team for its March 2 fundraiser.

Some of our fellow Serrans will be baking cookies, speaking and handing out prayer cards after mass, and working with the Burrito Team wrapping burritos and serving parishioners.

Burritos and cookies are served after the 8AM and 10AM masses.

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

6739 South Boulder Road
Boulder, CO 80303

Fr. Karl Millis Lent Series

St. Francis of Assisi: St. Clare Hall
Father Karl's Lent Series
Virtue and Vice

every Saturday afternoon during Lent from 2-4 PM, wine and cheese

starts March 9

Isaac Johnson Lent Organ Recital

Isaac is a 3rd year Ph.D. student in Musicology at CU, specializing in Gregorian Chant.

St. Francis of Assisi:
Saturday March 8
6:30 - 7:30 PM
Bach, Messiaen, et. al.

Membership Dues

This is a final reminder. Club dues are \$100, and are payable now. Bring cash or check to our next meeting or pay on our website.

Lenten Retreat

Friday March 7 is the date of our Apostolate's Lenten Retreat.

Friday, March 7
7:45am – 2:00pm

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 1318
Mapleton Ave, Boulder, CO 80304, USA

Retreat Master: Fr Karl Millis
Speaker: Fr Mark Kovacik

SCHEDULE:

- 7:00a - Mass
- 7:45a - Continental Breakfast/Sign In
- 8:30a - Morning Session
- 11:30a - Catered Lunch
- 12:30p - Afternoon Session
- 1:45p - Closing Prayer / Announcements
- 2:00p - Adoration

Use the Donate tab on our web site to register:

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

Laura's Little Choir

Listen to them sing here:

<https://www.youtube.com/@lauraslittlechoir797/videos>

Laura's Little Choir is performing at these holy hours:

- Tue. Mar. 11, holy hour @ 7:30 pm, St. John XXIII
- Tue. Apr. 8, holy hour @ 8:00 pm, St. Thomas Aquinas
- Fri. Apr. 18 (Good Friday), holy hour @ 12:00, St. Francis of Assisi, Jubilee Pilgrimage site
<https://sfassisi.org/jubilee2025>

Deacon Blaise Buches

[Transitional Deacon Blaise](#) spoke at our meeting February 1. He will be ordained to the priesthood in May. He grew up in Lakewood. He is the fourth child of seven. He grew up the loudest child, always right. He had fun growing up. The sweet spot was the family mass and prayer and spending time together with his family. He was home schooled to the beginning of high school.

His family was together for dinner when his father came home. The seven children would take turns cooking dinner. Each child was assigned a night of the week. His night was Wednesday. Often a priest would be at his family's house for dinner.

He remembers being an altar server the day after his first communion. He wanted to be like Father. He paid close attention to what Father was doing at the altar. He loved all of it.

His family home was noisy. He liked it quiet. He was invited to stay with a priest in the rectory which he found more conducive to prayer. He was at [St. Michaels Abbey in California with the Norbertine Fathers](#). They do the divine office five times a day in chant.

He knew he wanted to be a priest. Fr. Crisman asked him "Do you want to go to seminary in the Fall?" Fr. Crisman explained to him that he can go to seminary after high school. At Holy Hour, considering his answer, he felt peace. In 2016 he graduated from high school and went directly to seminary. He filled out a 24 page form and wrote a 10 page biography. The six hour psychological evaluation made him feel like he would not be accepted.

He takes inspiration from Mary. Mary as the mother of God reminds him of the magnificat; "He will do something in me that I can't do myself." Mary as Our Lady of Sorrows has him thinking about a how a priest is ordained to suffer, conforming his soul to Jesus. Mary helps him to kill his pride every day, to relinquish control over his pride, reminding him that Our Lord on the cross merits everything for him. He thinks about Mary as Our Lady of Guadalupe, as the mother of priests, taking him to Our Lord, and as the mother of the parish. As priest he can say "go ask your Mom."

He was invited to dinner with a home school family. They had a great time playing [Throw Throw Burrito](#). He says Joy in priests is contagious.

Stephanie Devenney

Stephanie Devenney spoke at our meeting February 14. She is the Director of Ut Fidem* "Keep the Faith" at Holy Family High School in Broomfield.

<https://www.holyfamilyhs.com/about/faculty-staff>

Stephanie is a HFHS graduate from the class of 2012, she was evangelized by her Baptist sorority sister who knew the bible inside and out.

Eventually she lead a bible study of 50 other woman, and went on to be a FOCUS missionary. She brings that passion into her role at Ut Fidem where she is striving to start small groups at HFHS. Ut Fidem follows the FOCUS model of evangelization, but on a high school campus rather than a college campus.

<https://www.holyfamilyhs.com/student-life/campus-ministry/utfidem>

At least 50% of the freshman class is not Catholic. To meet this challenge, Ut Fidem also reaches out to the parents with monthly meetings at a bar and also invites top-notch speakers such as Scott Powell. They also have a community adoration night that is open to everyone.

*2025 Name Change to Serva Fidem

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

Denver Catholic News

<https://denvercatholic.org/remembering-deacon-christopher-byrne/>

<https://denvercatholic.org/remembering-deacon-david-arling/>

<https://denvercatholic.org/kenny-new-documentary-gives-heartfelt-tribute-to-monsignor-ken-leones-50-years-of-priesthood-and-compassion/>

<https://denvercatholic.org/remembering-mark-evevard-a-devoted-youth-minister-and-faithful-friend/>

<https://denvercatholic.org/into-heights-and-onto-depths-father-john-nepils-new-book-sees-creation-as-an-invitation-to-draw-deeper-to-christ/>

Calendar



Birthdays and Anniversaries

March Members Birthdays

- Mar. 2 — Stan Peterson
- Mar. 2 — Brenda Davis
- Mar. 7 — Terry Gallagher
- Mar. 15 — Lillian Price
- Mar. 26 — Hank Barth
- Apr. 5 — Connie Christoff

March Seminarists Birthdays

- Mar. 4 — Marcus Chua
- Mar. 25 — Daniel Viana Pereira
- Mar. 27 — Noah John-Paul Alo
- Apr. 3 — Juan Gordillo
- Apr. 4 — Giovanni Tolentino

March Members Anniversaries

- Mar. 4 — Bob & †Betsy Serafin (1961)

March Religious Anniversaries:

None

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

Winter Schedule

Our General Meetings at SHJ will start at 9 AM, through March.

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Mar. 5 — Ash Wednesday

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Mar. 7-9 — Women’s Journey Retreat; YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park, Colorado <https://www.coloradocatholicretreats.org/womens-journey>

Mar. 9 — Daylight Savings Time Spring Forward 🕒

Mar. 11-19 — [Novena to St. Joseph](#); p. 125 Serra Handbook; intention: “for the continued supply of our spiritual food, the Holy Eucharist”

Mar. 17 — [Serra Meets Thomas Cardinal Collins](#) 6PM Lenten Reflections

Mar. 21 — Friday 9AM General Meeting — history of Benedictines in Boulder Deanery 1973-1968, sorting through God Stuff; 8AM Board Meeting

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Apr. 5 — [SJB School](#) Spring Auction Fundraiser (?)

Apr. 11 — [St. Louis School](#) Angels Among Us; Gala fundraiser; 5:30 PM Nissi’s Event Center Lafayette

Apr. 14 — [Serra Meets Rosie Shawver](#) 6PM Catholic Campus Ministries of America

Apr. 20 — Easter Sunday

Apr. 26 — Holy Family High School [Tiger Gala](#); Omni Interlocken

May 10 — Saturday; SHJ School Fundraiser; Mayfair; Julien Hotel; 125th Anniversary; dinner, dancing, live and silent auction

May 11 - [World Day of Prayer for Vocations](#)

June 23 — Golfing 4 Priests; 15th Annual Priest and Seminarian Appreciation Day; Ridge at Castle Pines

June 24-27 2025 — [Serra’s 82nd International Convention](#): Kansas City, MO

Sept. 13 — Serra District conference; Queen of Peace

Sept. 20-27 — Jubilee Pilgrimage Assisi & Rome with Dcn. Steve Vallero and Fr. Zach Michalczyk;

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