Saint Serra Apostolate of Boulder County

May 2025

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

President: Jan Landers Secretary: Martha Leyva V.P. Vocations: vacant V.P. Programs: vacant V.P. Affirmation: Bill Fitzgerald Club Trustee: Peggy Morrow, Jerome Higgins

President-Elect: Stan Peterson Treasurer: Mary Ellen Thorne V.P. Membership: Kathy Kaler V.P. Communications: Amy Michaelis Parish Liaison: Rita Roberts



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Serrans,

It's transition time!

We'll soon be welcoming some new faces to our leadership team. So, this is the perfect opportunity to convey a giant heartfelt note of appreciation. Thank you all for your prayers, patience and cooperation.

Within these last two years, our club has made substantial progress in four specific areas; prayer, affirmation, fostering vocations awareness and membership. A solid tribute to club teamwork!

PRAYER: Our prayer warrior volume is on an upward trend. We have two teams of "Seven Serrans" and nearly three teams of Thirty-One Clubs. And our online sign-up and reminders feature is right around the corner. That's about a hundred more active prayer warriors.

AFFIRMATION: Your generosity is breathtaking. Seminarians top the "increased-gift-amount list" with your Gala attendance and Christmas gifts. Our priests and deacons have been notably appreciative of your unstinting gestures with stacks of "Thank You" notes from them. They deeply appreciate your love and prayers.

VOCATIONS: Hundreds of altar servers have received sweet gifts with reminders to pray about their personal vocation call at Christmas and Easter. Many elementary students hear the vocations awareness message in classrooms now, too. So, in effect, countless seeds of vocations are being sown and fostered in our deanery schools and parishes due to your efforts.

MEMBERSHIP: About a dozen travel meetings and four open invitation retreats have substantially increased the awareness of our Serran Mission in our deanery parishes. This high-profile activity has directly resulted in welcoming twelve new members. That is a very hopeful trajectory. These four areas are just the tip of the progress we've made yet indicative of future club goals and activities. We have great momentum on a great mission!

Transitioning with new officers will bring fresh talent, expertise and a great opportunity to grow. Let's power up our teamwork, aim high and trust in the intercession of Our Blessed Mother Mary.

Jan Landers President

"I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things." Mother Teresa

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

For the month of May we continue to celebrate the Easter Season. Jesus is victorious over all sin, evil and death. We rejoice in our Savior. May is also the month of Mary. We give thanks to God for the gift of our spiritual mother. We have so much help, let us not doubt that love conquers all things.

Happy Easter,

Fr. Mark

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 2 — Friday SHJ 8AM General Meeting; Officer Elections

May 16 — Friday SHJ 8AM General Meeting; Officer Induction; 9AM Board Meeting

May 18 — Sunday morning masses (3) at <u>Guardian Angels</u> in Mead; Serra Meet & Greet

June 6 — Friday; <u>St. John the Baptist</u>; 8:15 AM Mass; General Meeting 9:15; Rudolph Dichtl Shroud of Turin

June 13 — Friday 6PM <u>Redemptoris Mater</u> <u>Seminary Gala</u>

June 20 — Friday SHJ 8AM General Meeting Dcn. Schaefer; 9AM Board Meeting

April 5 Meeting

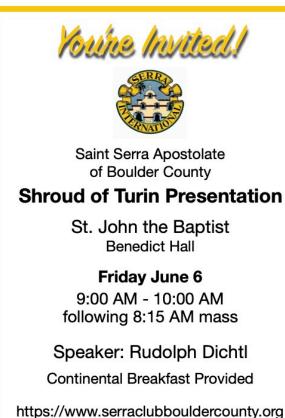
All hands were busy at our meeting April 5. Peggy organized our Easter Altar Server Treat Bag assembly. We assembled 350-plus treat bags containing candy, a prayer card, and other assorted "God Stuff" items.

Rita organized the preparation of our Holy Thursday gifts for 34 priests in our deanery. The gift was the book "The Priests We Need to Save the Church" by Kevin Wells <u>https://</u> <u>sophiainstitute.com/product/the-priests-we-need-</u> <u>to-save-the-church</u>

Parish liaisons delivered treats and gifts to the parishes in our deanery.

Ordination of Dcn. Blaise Buches

<u>Dcn. Blaise</u> will be ordained to the priesthood at the Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception on May 10 at 10 AM.



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Guardian Angels Meet and Greet

<u>Guardian Angels</u> in Mead invited our Apostolate for a Meet and Greet on Sunday May 18 for the three morning masses 7:30, 9:00, 10:30. Serrans will speak after mass at the ambo and distribute prayer cards and then join parishioners in Bakhita Hall.

109 S 3rd St. Mead, CO 80542 https://meadangels.org/

Redemptoris Mater Seminary Gala

The <u>Gala</u> will be on Friday June 13 at 6PM. The Archbishop is available to attend that day. The honoree is Cardinal Besungu O.F.M. Cap., Archbishop of Kinshasa (Democratic Republic of the Congo).

https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/ documentation/cardinali_biografie/ cardinali_bio_ambongo.html

Affirmation Dinner July 17

Our 2025 Affirmation Dinner will be on Thursday July 17 from 6PM to 8 PM at <u>Pinocchios</u> Incredible Italian restaurant in Longmont, across from Lowes.

210 Ken Pratt Blvd.

Spouses are invited.

Final details are being worked out.

In The News

The Catholic Thing https://www.thecatholicthing.org/2025/04/03/ stronger-families-stronger-priests

Denver Catholic https://www.denvercatholic.org/photos-a-blessedand-successful-deacon-convocation-in-thearchdiocese-of-denver

March 2025 Serran https://serraus.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/ SER-Magazine-March-2025-PRODUCTION.pdf

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Birthdays and Anniversaries			May 2 — Friday SHJ 8 AM General Meeting; Officer Elections		
May Members Birtho May 14 – Rosalie Gar May 16 – Rudy Dichtl May 16 – Ed Husler May 19 – Keith Ames May 21 – Bill Bowe May 28 – Vern Rogov	Cale	endar	May 10 — Julien Hote and silent May 11 - <u>V</u> May 16 —	Saturday; SHJ School F el; 125th Anniversary; dir auction <u>Vorld Day of Prayer for V</u> Friday SHJ 8AM Gener nember Inductions; 9A	nner, dancing, live ocations ral Meeting; Officer
May Seminarians Birthdays May 3 — Daniele Arienzo May 18 — Lucas Cruz May 28 — David Frazier June 2 – Octavio Alexis Hernandez			May 18 — Sunday morning masses (3) at <u>Guardian</u> <u>Angels</u> in Mead; Serra Meet & Greet May 19 — <u>Serra Meets Fr. Jack Wall</u> 6PM Catholic Extension Society President		
May Member Anniversaries May 27 – Nic and Connie Christoff June 1 – Dick and Kathy Stadler June 5 – Stan and Ann Peterson			June 6 — Friday; <u>St. John the Baptist</u> ; 8:15 Mass; General Meeting 9:15; Rudolph Dichtl Shroud of Turin June 13 - <u>Redemptoris Mater Seminary Gala</u> 6PM		
Prayer List Fr. Greg Ames Sr. Roseann Barman Bill Bowe Fr. Bill Breslin Bob Brockish Teresa Christoff Lorna Christoff Chase Curfman Bill Eck	Matthew Hibl Pauline Higgins Lisa Hodges Ed Husler Corky Jaster Jane Kryska Audrey Kenney Marcus Poulin (Annette & Chase) Many Quilici	Mary Safrane Bob Serafin Dick Stadler Nancy Soren Wayne Stetse Dcn. George For our dear Rosemary Ar Dcn. Dave Ar Dcn. Chris By	son on Thierjung departed: nes 'ling	Bob Farrell Gilbert J. Garcia Mary Ann Hibl Betty Jancosek Ramon Jesch Adrian Scott Leyva George Morzinski Warren S. Peterson Bridget Price John Bernard Price	Patricia Warner Pray also for new members for our Apostolate.

Dcn. Chris Byrne

Jeanette Denfeld

Carol Brockish

Helga Riedl

Omar Aguirre Salazar

Mary Quilici Woody Roberts

Betsye Feauto

Terry Gallagher