

District 6 Club #723 Region 13
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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Dear Serrans,
What a great perspective!

Our District Conference, once again was a terrific event. It brought many Serrans together to share successes, experiences, aspirations, and even our struggles. Fr Mark Zacker, pastor at St Francis of Assisi in Castle Rock, had a particularly insightful observation to share with us. We are continually renewed and revived, Fr Mark explained, in this Serran journey of cultivating vocations ministries.

We are renewed by listening and learning and loving one another especially as we gather. Renewed in this sharing together, we become revived. And our revival produces a joyful harmony of our collective accomplishments. This harmony, in turn, echoes forward with renewed energy and renewed encouragement to continue and thrive in our shared mission. What a beautiful, overarching perspective.

We are blessed to be able to look across our tables, particularly in our own Boulder Deanery Apostolate, and congratulate our fellow Serrans for being recognized with awards commending the extraordinary ways they have offered their gifts and talents. Thank you all for sharing your gifts so generously!

The District Conference was also a perfect rest-stop along the way as we approach the end of our liturgical year, soon to shift our focus toward Advent and Christmas; an extremely busy time of year.

I am looking forward to our upcoming events and moving through the seasons with you on this holy journey of our St Serra Apostolate mission. It is an honor to be a Serran alongside of you all!

Jan Landers, President

Let's pray for an emptying out of ourselves so that we can be Christ to others. Let's pray for the realization that our lives may be the only Gospel that some people ever read.

- St. John Vianney

CHAPLAIN’S MESSAGE

Fr. Mark has a lot on his plate. Here's his message from November 2020:

God is in control of everything; He holds in existence everything that exists. If God did not love something, He would not have created it. Every hair on your head is counted and there is not a sparrow that falls without God knowing. God’s love is greater than we can imagine and He is closer to you than you are to yourself. Place everything in His hands and do not be afraid. God takes good out of bad. In the end, Jesus is victorious. You can trust Him.

God bless, Fr. Mark

UPCOMING EVENTS
Nov. 1 — SHJ General Meeting after 7AM mass; Rudy Dichtl: Shroud of Turin
Nov. 3-9 — [National Vocation Awareness Week](#)
Nov. 15 — SHJ General Meeting Treat Bag Assembly 9AM; Board Meeting 8AM
Dec. 7 — Serra Christmas Party 🎄 SHJ; 2 PM - 4 PM; set-up starts at noon; clean up to 5 PM

Fr. Karl Millis

Fr. Karl Millis was our speaker at St. Francis of Assisi on Saturday morning Oct. 5. Fr. Karl celebrated the 25th anniversary of his ordination in June.

He grew up in Wyoming, attending [Holy Rosary in Lander Wyoming](#). He served in the Diocese of Cheyenne in Wyoming for 15 years, and then in the Diocese of Lincoln in Nebraska for 8 years.

Some of his retreats at the [Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House](#) in Nebraska have been recorded

<https://www.youtube.com/@GoodCounselRetreatHouse/search?query=millis>

Most recently he trained in deliverance ministry for two years with the [Doloran Fathers](#), and now he is the [Parochial Vicar at St. Francis of Assisi](#) in the Archdiocese of Denver.

He told us why St. Junipero Serra is a great saint, a man ahead of his time, a great advocate of the rights of the native people. The missions were not prisons, rather they were protection from the Spanish military and a place for the baptized to live in common away from their pagan native community. The missions were also a place for training in agriculture and trades. There was always a great tension between the civil/military pressures and missionary efforts.

St. Junipero Serra was a tireless missionary with a strong devotion to the blessed Virgin Mary. He was a witness of holiness and a founding father of the United States, and a model of heroic sanctity.

Holy Moments

Pauline spoke to us about Matthew Kelley's new book Holy Moments. We can change the world if we do one holy thing each day.

<https://holymomentsbook.com>

<https://www.serraclubbouldercounty.org>

New Member Induction

Fr. Mark inducted 6 new members at our meeting on October 18:

Anna C - St. Francis of Assisi
Marlene D - Sacred Heart of Jesus
Rudy D - Sacred Heart of Jesus
Michelle F - St. John the Baptist
Lisa H - St. John the Baptist

Fr. Francis Mayinja

Fr. Francis Mayinja spoke to us about his parish in Uganda, Our Lady of Assumption, in Bulo. Fr. Francis was ordained in 1981.

Uganda overall has a population that is 38% Catholic, 28% Anglican, and between 15%-20% Muslim, and the rest are protestants or traditional. His parish is in a muslim area. His diocese is one of 12 in Uganda. The parishes are about 10 miles apart.

The people are poor with low education. Many families walk 1 or 2 miles to get water. Many students have no shoes or uniform. Many schools have no roof. There are no paved roads and the roads are extremely muddy in the rainy season.

The community is agricultural, growing coffee, bananas, yams, sweet potatoes and other vegetables. Some also have livestock: chickens, cattle, goats, and some pigs which of course the muslims don't like.

St. John the Baptist helped build a parish school and funded dormitories and uniforms. It now has 600 students. The diocese overall has 2,000 to 3,000 students. The school children help to reinforce Catholicism in their families.

The surrounding community is curious. The choir is half muslim. Even muslim children come to school mass. Eventually, they might convert. Muslims trust the sisters teaching in the parish schools because their habits include head coverings.

Read more at <https://wambale.org>

Fr. Francis asks us for our prayers, and encourages us to donate to Wambale.

Seminarian Christmas Card Fundraiser

It's that time of year again to request donations to our Apostolate. As you know, we give the RM seminarians some spending money every December. Any amount is most appreciated.

To donate, go to our website <https://www.serraclubbouldercounty.org> and select Payment Portal, then select 2024 Christmas Gift for Seminarians, or write a check payable to:

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

Peggy Coppom 100th Birthday

Help celebrate longtime SHJ parishioner and CU Football fan's 100th birthday on Tuesday Nov. 19 and/or Wednesday Nov. 20. The mass intention at 7AM Nov. 19 is for her twin sister †Betty. The mass intention Nov. 20 at 12:10 PM is for Peggy. <https://kdvr.com/sports/colorado-buffaloes/wheres-peggy-cu-buffs-99-year-old-superfan-absent-from-saturdays-game/>

Serra Rally 2025 Miami

Registration is now open for the annual Serra US Rally Thursday January 23 to Saturday January 25, 2025. The keynote speaker on Friday is [Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski](#). Other speakers are [Cardinal Collins](#), [Judy Cozzens](#), [Fr. Jorge Torres](#), [Msgr. Pablo Navarro-Rector](#), and [Mother Adela Galindo](#). <https://serrainternational.org/2025-serra-usa-rally/>



Happy Anniversary to
Ed and Sue Husler

District 6 Convention

The District 6 Convention was held on October 26th. at [St. Francis of Assisi](#) in Castle Rock. The theme was Renewal and Revival.

Congratulations to awardees Kathy K Best VP for Membership, Fr. Mark Best Chaplain, Amy M Best Newsletter, and Jan L Best VP Programs!

[Fr. Mark Zacker](#), Pastor of St. Francis of Assisi in Castle Rock spoke about how the Eucharist is a source of spiritual revival. "Share how Jesus has made a difference in your life." He quoted [Dcn. Jim Bacht](#): [a priest is] a living monstrance who "processes" out into the community making Jesus present to everyone [he encounters].

The Keynote speaker [Candice Tyrrell](#) is the VP Membership, Serra US Council. She suggested that while recruiting new members we start with telling them that "Serra is the only Lay Apostolate supported by the Vatican." Here she is in a [video from the January 2022 Serra Rally \(at the 7:30 mark\)](#) she mentions how her club's promotion of Priesthood Sunday surprisingly resulted in recruiting many new members.

Fr. Anthony Ambuul, Parochial Vicar at [Ave Maria](#) in Parker, told us that his novena to St. Therese of Lisieux, featuring a rose, played a part in [his decision to enter seminary \(short video here\)](#).

Dolores Romo, President of the El Paso Serra Club, showed us 7 images of Mary including [Our Lady of Grace](#), [Our Lady of Champion](#), [Our Lady of Palestine](#), [Our Lady of La Salette](#), and [Our Lady de las Lajas](#).



Happy Anniversary to
Joe and Brenda Davis



Birthdays and Anniversaries

November Members Birthdays

- Nov. 5 — Richard Stadler
- Nov. 5 — Dori Mooney Fitzgerald
- Nov. 6 — Mary Safranek
- Nov. 20 — Joe Calabria
- Nov. 24 — St. Junipero Serra
- 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 — Gianluca Gomez
- Nov. 24 — Jose Manuel Ruiz Medina
- Dec. 5 — Andres Zepeda

November Member Anniversaries

- 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)

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

Calendar

Winter Schedule Begins November 15

Our Winter schedule starts Nov. 15. Our General Meetings at SHJ will start at 9 AM, through March.

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

Nov. 1 — All Saints Day

Nov. 1 — SHJ General Meeting after 7AM mass; Rudy Dichtl: Shroud of Turin

Nov. 3 — daylight savings time ends

Nov. 3-9 — [National Vocation Awareness Week](#)

Nov. 15 — SHJ General Meeting Treat Bag Assembly 9AM; Board Meeting 8AM

Nov. 16 — [SJB](#) Gift Shop Annual Advent and Christmas Open House 10AM

Nov. 22 — [Mother Cabrini Shrine Gala 2024](#)

December: No Meetings Merry Christmas

Dec. 1 — Advent

Dec. 7 — Fr. Terry Talk; 9 AM-11AM; SHJ

Dec. 7 — Serra Christmas Party 🎄 SHJ; 2 PM - 4 PM; set-up starts at noon; clean up to 5 PM

Dec. 7-8 — [Camp Saint Malo Advent Market](#) Allenspark; 10AM-3PM

Dec. 6-8 — [SJB](#) Christmas Market

Dec. 15 — [St. Theresa](#) Car Raffle

Dec. 20— [Redemptoris Mater Seminary](#) Christmas Carol concert; buffet dinner then 7:30 PM concert; tickets available in late Nov.

Dec. 21— [Redemptoris Mater Seminary](#) Christmas Carol concert; buffet meal then 2PM concert; tickets available in late Nov.

Dec. 22— Redemptoris Mater Seminary Christmas Carol concert at [St. Augustine Parish](#) Brighton 5PM; no meal; donations requested

Jan. 3 — General Meeting

Jan. 17 — General Meeting; Board Meeting

Jan. 23-26 2025 — [The Serra Rally](#); Miami, FL

June 24-27 2025 — Serra's 82nd International Convention: Kansas City, MO