

The Serra Club of Reading, Pennsylvania

Club # 165, District 80-1, Region 3 – online at www.readingserraclub.org

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Events

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SERRA'S OBJECTIVES

To foster and promote vocations to the ministerial priesthood in the Catholic Church as a particular vocation service, and to support priests in their sacred ministry;

To encourage and affirm vocations to consecrated religious life in the Catholic Church; and

To assist its members to recognize and respond in their own lives to God's call to holiness in Jesus Christ and through the Holy Spirit.

Saturday, Sept 3, 8:00 am First Saturday Mass St Catharine of Siena Chapel

<u>Tuesday, Sept 6, 7:00 pm</u> Board of Directors Meeting St Catharine of Siena Rectory Thursday, Sept 8, 6:00 pm Dinner Meeting at Sacred Heart Villa Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Essig, @ 6pm Speaker will be Brenda Bean

Thursday, Sept 22, 6:00 pm
Dinner Meeting at Sacred Heart Villa
Rosary for Priests @ 6pm
Speaker will be Deacon Howard Schultz
Deacon Schultz is currently assigned to St. Peters

Note from District Governor Stephan Hahn:

I am planning a District meeting in September to discuss Serra's plans for the 2016-2017 year. All Serran's are welcome, especially officers of the individual clubs. We are able to meet at St. Mary's in Kutztown on either Saturday 17 or Saturday 24. I need a response from all clubs by September 12 as to the preferred date and the number of attending Serran's. This is to reserve the date with Msgr. Scheaffer. Msgr. Scheaffer will also celebrate Mass for us. So please try to come. Thanks, Stephan Mary, Queen of Vocations, Pray for us!

MARK YOUR CALENDER!

Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations Holy Rosary, every Sunday 4-5 PM St Mary's, Kutztown, 3rd Wed of every month 7pm

O Jesus, eternal priest, keep your priests within the shelter of Your Sacred Heart, where none may touch them. Keep unstained their anointed hands, which daily touch Your Sacred Body. Keep unsullied their lips, daily purpled with Your Precious Blood. Keep pure and unearthly their hearts, sealed with the sublime mark of the priesthood. Let Your holy love surround them and shield them from the world's contagion. Bless their labors with abundant fruit and may the souls to whom they minister be their joy and consolation here and in heaven their beautiful and everlasting crown. Amen

St. Therese of Lisieux

Pray much for priests because we need holy priests. The holier the priests are the more holy we religious will be. Then too, the more holy will be the families who are longing for God. If we have holy families we will have many holy vocations.

-Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

PRAYER FOR FELLOW SERRANS

Lord Jesus, look down with favor upon the works of our Serra club. Let our works be not in vain, but bless them with the guidance of Your Holy Spirit. Reward our departed Serrans with Your eternal life, heal our sick Serrans and comfort their families. Reward Your loyal and aged Serrans by granting us new Serrans whose hearts are on fire for the love of You, just as they were long ago. Bless our chaplains and leaders by letting themselves be guided by Your Holy Spirit. Let us all humbly follow the example of Father Serra's life, so we to may be with You always. Through the intersession of Mary our Mother, Father Serra, and all the great saints and angels, please hear and bless our prayers. Amen