

SERRA CLUB OF WICHITA METRO

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Meetings: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays—6:30 PM
Location: Spiritual Life Center, 7100 E. 45th Street North 744-0167
Chaplain: Rev. Paul OBoyny
Chartered: October 10, 1992, Club # 784—Region 9 , District 12-2 South

May 2015

Presidents Message



This summer holds a very busy calendar for us in the Serra Club. Starting with the Ordinations of two of our very own- Devin Thomas Burns son of Pat and Jackie Burns and Zachary George Bernard Pinaire son of Barbara Pinaire. How wonderful, our prayers have been answered with five new priests for our Diocese including Josh Evans, Curtis Heckler and PJ Voegeli.

Later will be the Golf Tournament, Steak Fry, Gift bags and Day at the Lake, which I know all of you will support by being there and working hard. But before the ordinations, is the installation of officers. Your new president Pat Burns and President-Elect Larry Damm will be exceptional in leading us forward. Jim Marks, Christine Eberle , Kent Reilley and Kim Kimbro will retain their board positions and they will be joined by Shawn Gerleman, Barbara Pinaire, Mike Kuckelman and Steve Cless, as well as the trustees. As for the ones leaving, a big thank you to Jackie Burns, Carolyn Stump, Jerry Ewald and John Lancaster, and also to Jim Goethe who has sent us notices, reminders and the newsletter for as long as I can remember. Jim- for all you unwavering hard work our most heartfelt –Thank you.

A Peanuts cartoon shows Lucy snuggled very deep in a beanbag. Charlie Brown says “Where did the week go” and from the depths of the bean bag Lucy says “Where did the year go”. My thoughts exactly. This is my last newsletter and I want each of you to know how much I have enjoyed the past year, and I am having a hard time putting into words how very grateful I am to each of you for letting me be your president.

First I would like to thank my board. I have relied on them to keep me on track. The year started off with Golf Tournament where the Golf committee and Silent Auction Committee gave tirelessly of themselves, to give everyone a fun day and provide support for our seminarians. Thank you to all.

At the Steak Fry the Gift Bag Committee worked very hard to give the best to our seminarians and everyone pitched in to fill them. Thank you to all. The Day at the Lake gave the seminarians a much deserved free day. Thank you to all

To the members that invited guests to a meeting, thank you. I have not begun to list all that was done in the name of Serra but what you have done, will not be forgotten by me and many others. Thank you. I hold each of you very dear in my heart. Pray for one another and God Bless

JoAnn

April 7th Speaker—Father Sam Brand

Topic—Vocation Story



Background

Fr. Sam was one of four boys and grew up in St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton Parish, where he attended grade school. He graduated from Bishop Carroll High School and attended Newman University for one year. He attended St. John Vianney seminary in Minnesota and was ordained a priest in May of 2014 by Bishop Carl Kemme. His home parish at that time was St. Catherine of Siena in northwest Wichita.

His Journey

Fr. Jim Billinger was his pastor in grade school, who made a very strong impression on Sam. He was a joyful and very holy priest, whose example Sam really liked. Fr. Jarrod Lies was his chaplain at Bishop Carroll High School and was also an inspiring example for Sam. Many people and friends had mentioned to Sam that he would make a good priest. One day when he and his dad were driving down the road his dad said, "I think you would make a great priest". This had a profound impact on Sam's thinking about his future.

Attending Newman University

While attending Newman University he found he was not interested in the studies and started skipping classes. Fr. Tatro called him out and they discussed his interest in the seminary. A week later they called Fr. Matt McGinness and Sam was applying for the seminary. He found this was the decision and vocation he wanted to do. In the seminary he got to experience the various aspects of the priesthood and make many new friends.

His first year as Parochial Vicar (Associate Pastor)

After ordination he was assigned to the Church of The Magdalen under Fr. York the pastor. He has experienced a lot of firsts this year and it has been a lot of fun and very rewarding. He loves being a priest, visiting the sick, teaching the 8th grade students, helping out at Kapaun Mt. Carmel High School and holding retreats for them.

He basked in the amazing experience of celebrating the Easter Triduum liturgy as a priest. A very memorable experience was celebrating an all school Mass at Kapaun Mt. Carmel on Ash Wednesday and using Fr. Kapaun's chalice.

We are blessed to have such good and excited new young priests in our diocese with prospects of many more to come. Our prayers of petition and thanksgiving must continue as these young men are welcomed and supported in their discernment of God's call to the priesthood.

—submitted by Jerry Ewald

April 21st Speaker—Christina Streeter
Topic—Holy Family Camp

The speaker for this evening was Christina Streeter, who works with the Persons with Disabilities for the Diocese, and is the coordinator of the Holy Family Camp which takes place each summer. Christina is a member of St. Francis parish with her husband and four children.



One Friday about eight years ago, Christina was on her way out of town for a weekend trip, when she realized she had forgotten something. When she ran back inside the house, the phone rang.

She says now that the Holy Spirit told her to answer the phone. It was Theresa Seiler asking her to coordinate the Holy Family Camp for 100 people. They needed someone to start the next week. Christina said she would start on Tuesday.

At the end of January each year, she starts working on the camp for that year. She stays overnight at the camp with the campers, and her children help out with the camp. She gets volunteer help from Carroll and Kapaun students. Also five nurses stay the whole time.

There have also been volunteers from Boy Scouts, Knights of Columbus, Little Flowers, Daughters of Isabella, and Sisters of Sienna. At present, the camp consists of 80 – 90 campers and 80 – 90 volunteers.

The camp is open to people from ages 14 – 79. It fills up very quickly. The cost is \$160 per week, which does not cover the cost of the camp. During the week the participants attend Mass, go to Reconciliation, and have faith lessons. They also do crafts, have inflatables, a petting zoo, a clown, a photo booth, track and field competitions, and a dance.

The camp provides a good time for participants, and respite for the parents of children who have disabilities. It is the 26th year of the program.

—submitted by Teri Marks

MAY

May 5 General Meeting
 Installation of Officers
 May 10 Mothers Day
 May 14 Adoration
 May 19 NO MEETING
 May 19 Combined Board
 May 21 Evening with
 Seminarians
 May 22 Deacon Ordinations
 May 23 Priest Ordinations
 May 25 Memorial Day

JUNE

June 1 Golf Tournament
 & Steak Fry
 June 2 NO Meeting
 June 11 Adoration
 June 16 Gen Mtg
 & Board Meeting

<h1>May 2015</h1>						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3 Mothers Day	4	5 General Meeting	6	7	8	9
10 Mothers Day	11	12	13	14 Adoration	15	16
17 Ascension	18	19 NO Meeting Comb.Board	20	21	22 Deacon Ordination	23 Priest Ordinations
24 <u>Pentecost</u> 31 Trinity Sunday	25	26	27	28	29	30

GOLF TOURNAMENT AND STEAK FRY ON JUNE 1 RESERVATIONS DUE BY MAY 22

The annual Serran Golf Tournament is coming up on June 1st. The golf tournament will be held at **Cherry Oaks Golf Course**, at 1119 N. Main in Cheney, Kansas. Check-in will begin at 10:30 a.m.

The evening Steak Fry Dinner and Silent Auction will again be held at the **Knights of Columbus Hall** at 3203 West 13th St., Wichita KS. Social hour begins at 6:00 p.m., with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Be sure to get your registration in by May 22. A registration form is enclosed or attached with this newsletter. Also please remember that our club is to bring desserts for the dinner, so please **bring a dessert!**



PRIEST ANNIVERSARIES OF ORDINATION

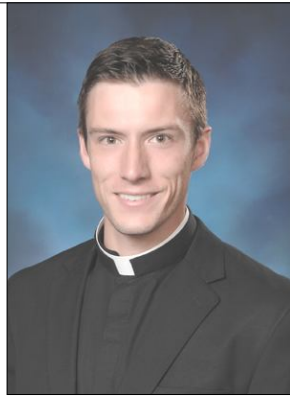
Since May has been the customary month for ordinations, there are a lot of anniversaries of ordinations for the month of May.

Rev. Colin J. Boor	May 31, 1950	Rev. Thomas M. Hoisington	May 27, 1995
Rev. Ivan C. Eck	May 19, 1951	Rev. Samuel J. Pinkerton	May 27, 1995
Rev. Victor A. Bieberie	May 21, 1951	Rev. Daniel J. Vacca	May 27, 1995
Rev. Joseph T. Nolan	May 16, 1953	Rev. Stuart M. Smeltzer	May 25, 1996
Rev. Robert F. Kocour	May 28, 1954	Rev. Scott Cuong Nguyen	May 31, 1997
Rev. James J. Spexarth	May 3, 1955	Rev. John B. Brungardt	May 23, 1998
Rev. J. Patrick Mannion	May 26, 1955	Rev. David J. Lies	May 23, 1998
Rev. Philip J. Allen	May 31, 1958	Rev. James F. Weldon	May 23, 1998
Bishop Eugene J. Gerber	May 19, 1959	Rev. Thomas H. Leland	May 29, 1999
Rev. Eugene W. Grabner	May 28, 1959	Rev. Darrin M. May	May 29, 1999
Rev. Jerome A. Beat	May 25, 1963	Rev. Charles F. Seiwert	May 29, 1999
Rev. Thomas F. Scaletty	May 25, 1963	Rev. Joseph A. Eckberg	May 27, 2000
Rev. Msgr. Robert E. Hemberger	May 30, 1970	Rev. Hien P. Nguyen	May 27, 2000
Rev. Thomas J. Stroot	May 30, 1970	Rev. Joseph C. Tatro	May 27, 2000
Rev. Donald R. Thissen	May 30, 1970	Rev. Eric M. Weldon	May 27, 2000
Rev. Dwight J. Birket	May 27, 1972	Rev. Jason W. Borkenhagen	May 26, 2001
Rev. Steven P. Scheier	May 26, 1973	Rev. C. Jarrod Lies	May 26, 2001
Rev. Douglas Campbell	May 8, 1976	Rev. Jerome J. Spexarth	May 26, 2001
Rev. Robert B. Wachter	May 8, 1976	Rev. Juan G. Garza	May 25, 2002
Rev. Andrew H. Kuykendall	May 20, 1978	Rev. John J. Jirak	May 25, 2002
Rev. Floyd E. McKinney	May 10, 1980	Rev. Nicholas A. Voelker	May 25, 2002
Rev. H. Michael Peltzer	May 10, 1980	Rev. Michael A. Klag	May 24, 2003
Rev. David W., Linnebur	May 15, 1982	Rev. Brian D. Nelson	May 24, 2003
Rev. John P. Miller	May 15, 1982	Rev. Michael M. Simone	May 24, 2003
Rev. Michael E. Baldwin	May 21, 1983	Rev. Edmond G. Kline	May 29, 2004
Rev. James J. Billinger	May 21, 1983	Rev. Daniel S. Lorimer	May 29, 2004
Rev. Michael E. Nolan	May 26, 1984	Rev. David T. Marstall	May 29, 2004
Rev. Larry J. Parker	May 26, 1984	Rev. Benjamin D. Shockey	May 29, 2004
Rev. Daniel J. Spexarth	May 26, 1984	Rev. Andrew E. Heiman	May 28, 2005
Rev. Robert K. Spencer	May 18, 1985	Rev. John N. Hay	May 26, 2007
Rev. Brian D. Bebak	May 31, 1986	Rev. Larry Carney III	May 27, 2007
Rev. Stephen F. Gronert	May 31, 1986	Rev. Matthew Marney	May 27, 2007
Rev. Michael J. Maybrier	May 31, 1986	Rev. Ruben Ortiz-Montelongo	May 27, 2007
Rev. James S. Mainzer	May 23, 1987	Rev. Adam J. Keiter	May 24, 2008
Rev. Joseph M. Gile	May 28, 1988	Rev. Michael J. Linnebur	May 24, 2008
Rev. Kent A. Hemberger	May 28, 1988	Rev. Aaron D. Spexarth	May 24, 2008
Rev. John P. Lanzrath	May 28, 1988	Rev. Benjamin Sawyer	May 23, 2009
Rev. Andrew J. Seiler	May 28, 1988	Rev. Chad Arnold	May 29, 2010
Rev. H. Jay Setter	May 28, 1988	Rev. Maximilian Biltz	May 29, 2010
Rev. Matthew C. McGinness	May 27, 1989	Rev. Yancey Burgess	May 29, 2010
Rev. Patrick G. York	May 26, 1990	Rev. Patrick Reilley	May 29, 2010
Rev. Sherman A. Orr	May 25, 1991	Rev. Curtis Robertson	May 29, 2010
Rev. Kenneth S. VanHaverbeke	May 25, 1991	Rev. Jeremy Huser	May 28, 2011
Rev. Ned J. Blick	May 23, 1992	Rev. Daniel Duling	May 28, 2011
Rev. Kenneth J. Schuckman	May 23, 1992	Rev. John Fogliasso	May 28, 2011
Rev. Jose M. Machado	May 15, 1993	Rev. Marco DeLoera	May 28, 2011
Rev. W. Shawn McKnight	May 28, 1994	Rev. Benjamin Green	May 26, 2012
Rev. Daryl W. Befort	May 27, 1995	Rev. David Voss	May 26, 2012
Rev. Bernard X. Gorges	May 27, 1995	Rev. Ricky Kotrba	May 25th 2013
		Rev. Sam Brand	May 24th, 2014
		Rev. Andy Walsh	May 24th 2014

SEMINARIAN BIRTHDAYS

Thomas Skinner

1st Theology
Kenrick-Glennon Seminary
St. Louis MO
Blessed Sacrament Parish
Wichita KS
May 1st



Evan Burke

3rd College
Conception College Seminary
Conception MO
St. Joseph Parish
Baxter Springs KS
May 6th



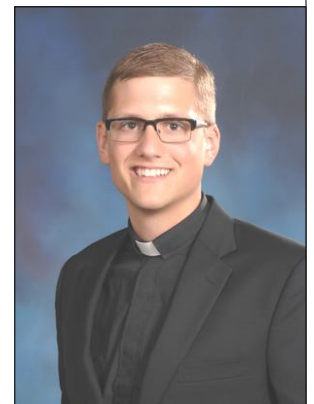
Hayden Charles

3rd College
Conception College Seminary
Conception MO
St. Francis of Assisi Parish
Wichita KS
May 22nd



Paul Wagle

2nd Pre-Theology
Mt. St. Mary's Seminary
Emmitsburg MD
St. Vincent De Paul Parish
Andover KS
May 22nd



Garett Burns

1st Theology
Kenrick-Glennon Seminary
St. Louis MO
St. Francis of Assisi Parish
Wichita KS
May 31st



Upcoming Events, Looking Ahead

- May 5** **General Meeting / Installation of New Officers**
- May 14** **Adoration**
- May 19** **NO Meeting**
- May 19** **Joint Board Meeting**
- May 21** **Evening with the Seminarians**
- May 22** **Deacon Ordinations**
- May 23** **Priest Ordinations**
- May 25** **Memorial Day**

- June 1** **Golf Tournament**
- June 2** **NO Meeting**
- June 11** **Adoration**
- June 16** **Board Meeting / General Meeting**

PRIEST BIRTHDAYS

May 1	Rev. Joseph Nolan
May 3	Rev. Steven Scheier
May 12	Rev. Chad Arnold
May 16	Rev. Robert McElwee
May 19	Msgr. John Gilsenan
May 19	Rev. Scott Cuong Nguyen
May 25	Rev. Patrick Reilley
May 28	Rev. Charles F. Seiwert
May 31	Rev. Joseph C. Tatro

May Ordinations

Ordinations to the priesthood and diaconate are scheduled for the end of May. All ordinations will be at the Cathedral of the Immaculae Conception. Deacon ordinations will be on May 22nd, and Priest Ordinations will be on May 23rd. Those scheduled for ordination, along with their home parish, are the following:

Priesthood Ordinations

Devin Burns	St. Francis of Assisi Parish
Zachary Pinaire	St. Mary Parish, Derby
Joshua Evans	Our Lady of Lourdes, Pittsburg
Curtis Hecker	Sacred Heart Parish, Arkansas City
P.J. Voegeli	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Deacon Ordination

Gabe Greer Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Pittsburg

31 Club Members Monthly Masses for Vocations

1	Dick and Peggy Gilmartin
2	John and Marge Finn
3	George and Vi Schuckman
4	Shawn Gerleman
5	Pat Burns
6	Christine Eberle
7	Berniece Scanlan
8	Dory & Irene Troilo
9	Darrell and Ann Chew
10	Terri Smeltzer
11	John Lancaster
12	George and Vi Schuckman
13	Frances Keffer
14	Dan Loughman
15	Mary Kriwiel
16	Bob & Twila Hermreck
17	Becky Hawk
18	Terri Smeltzer
19	Melissa Grelinger, Jan Keiter
20	Christine Eberle, Dianne Carter
21	Lynn Robertson
22	Carolyn Loughman
23	Donna Marie Smith, Jim and Terri Marks
24	Carolyn Stump
25	Dick and Marge Mayer
26	Paul & Bettie Eck
27	Ellie Ewald
28	Chuck & Ellie Kissling JoAnn Forister
29	Joan Kahn
30	Russ and Ruth Krueger Tony Barba
31	Carolyn Loughman

31-Club Members provide prayer support for vocations by offering their Mass attendance for the intention of vocations on one day each month. (Day 1 thru 31). In this way someone is praying for vocations at a Mass every day. Please consider adding your name to the list. Please notify Carolyn Stump of any changes or corrections, or to add your name to the 31 Club. 942-4918 or sstump3@cox.net

THANK YOU

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VP Communications	Jim Goethe	722-6910
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3 yr	Shawn Gerleman	617-6579
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Happy Mother's Day
May 10th

**Happy
Mother's
Day!**

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