



# Serra Club of Louisville

July, 2020  
Newsletter

“To always go forward – to never turn back!”  
– Saint Junipero Serra

### MISSION:

To foster and promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

If you receive this through regular postal delivery, but would be willing to receive it by email, please contact Chuck Lynch, (502) 244-2752.

## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

*The only meetings scheduled at this time are for members only:*

**July 20** - We will meet at St. Margaret Mary's Hospitality Room.

11:30 am - Seminarian Quan Nguyen will be our speaker.

**August 13** – tentative Seminarian luncheon. Details will be provided later.

## CLUB'S FIRST ONLINE CONFERENCE CALL MEETING WAS JUNE 15

With the coronavirus shut-downs, we decided to hold an online meeting, whereby attendees could participate by way of regular phone, or using a computer with a camera. We had about 16 people participating, with about half of them in the video, using Free Conference Call.

As usual, the meeting opened with a prayer, led by Bob Hublar. We used “Mission and Ministry of a Serran” from the “[Call to Holiness](#)” materials offered by the USA Council of Serra (USAC).

In the middle of this, Ken Peet, our District Governor, led a ceremony to install the slate of officers who volunteered to help run the Serra Club for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2020. Fr. Pat Dolan said a few words and provided a blessing to the slate of officers.

The ceremony also included Bob reading from a story in “[To Save a Thousand Souls](#).”

“Who will you bring with you into heaven?” was a question that a Monsignor asked a young altar boy, who eventually became a priest, in one story that Bob read.

One of the ceremony readings was from Pope St. John Paul II's speech to a Serra International Convention audience - “On behalf of the Church, I must tell you of my esteem and my encouragement

## FR. JOSEPH LYON HAS PASSED AWAY IN HIS 70<sup>TH</sup> YEAR AS A PRIEST

In the June issue of our newsletter, there were two references to Fr. Joseph Lyon. However, in the first of those, I mistakenly referred to him as Fr. John Lyon. I (editor, Chuck Lynch) apologize for the error.

We were acknowledging that he was about to celebrate the 70th anniversary of his June 3, 1950 ordination. He was ordained the same day as our Club Chaplain, Fr. Joe Voor.

We are sorry to report that Fr. Joseph Lyon passed away two days before his anniversary - on June 1. Fr. Lyon's obituary can be found by clicking [here](#).

A story in The Record can be found by clicking [here](#).

May his soul, and the soul of all the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

## NEW SLATE OF OFFICERS WAS VOTED IN EFFECTIVE JUNE 1

The following have volunteered for the Board of Directors for the Fiscal Year beginning June 1, 2020: **Bob Hublar** – President; **Ken Peet** - VP & Secretary; **Neil Manias** - VP for Membership; **Jerry Gonso-ski** - VP & Treasurer; **Paul Willett** - VP for Programs; **Chuck Lynch** - VP for Communications; Other Trustees: **John Tichenor, Theresa Fiedler, Ralph Williams, Norm Beat, Debbie Farmer**;

**Fr. Joe Voor** will continue as our Chaplain. **Fr. Pat Dolan** will continue as our Assistant Chaplain; **Ken Peet** will continue as our District Governor.

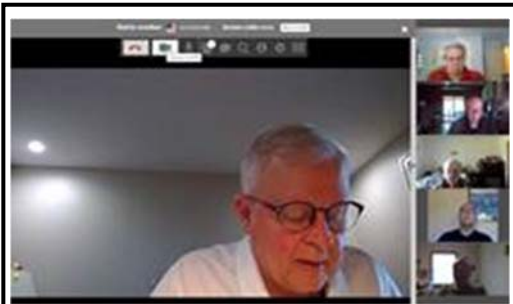
Since we could not have a regular meeting for the election around June 1, we held an election by email; and the slate of officers received the vote of the majority of all members.

All of us Serrans  
are recruiters for  
the Serra Club.  
“Each one, bring one!”

WASH YOUR HANDS AND  
SAY YOUR PRAYERS,  
BECAUSE JESUS AND  
GERMS ARE EVERYWHERE.

**CLUB'S FIRST CONFERENCE**  
**CALL MEEETING**  
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for your numerous initiatives in favor of vocations. It is really admirable that lay persons, deeply convinced that the Church and society need priests and religious, take as a purpose of their commitment as Christians prayer and hard-working action for the spread, development, perseverance, increase and assistance of vocations. You are mindful in this of Jesus words, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray, therefore, the Lord of the harvest to send



Here is a picture of the screen people saw during the online conference call meeting. Each speaker was in the larger part of the screen, while other video participants were in smaller screens on the side.

out laborers into his harvest.' ”

We are the only lay organization aggregated to the Pontifical Work for Priestly Vocations, meaning we have the support of the Vatican behind our work.

We were reminded that vocation is not primarily about self-fulfillment but converting and saving others.

After the installation of officers and completion of the readings from “A Call to Holiness” and “To Save a Thousand Souls,” we had a discussion of three questions: (1) When you hear the words “Serra International,” what comes to your mind? (2) When you think of serving as a Serran, how does it make you feel? (3) How does participation in Serra meetings contribute to your faith? The faith of others?

We were reminded that the “I” in SI (Serra International) means we are part of a much larger picture, with many cultures and languages, fostering a culture of vocations, supporting priests and religious, as well as enhancing our own faith. There are over 20,000 Serrans throughout the world.

One member said that “we are doing something worthwhile; and without priests we can't have the Eucharist.” “The Eucharist is the summit of our faith.”

Someone else said that “we are trying to build a culture of vocations in all parishes.” We have to make up for not having as many priests and religious order

members as we had a half century ago.

Another member said that he “didn't know, years ago, that the Church has so many ways of helping others; and I've learned a lot through the Serra Club.” Likewise, one member said “I have seen so much outreach by our Church over the years.”

Another person spoke of how the Church, over 2,000 years, has become the largest sponsor of parish schools, universities, hospitals, orphanages, etc.

Finally, in this conference call, we devoted time to a discussion of a possible face-to-face meeting in the near future – maybe practicing social distancing in a large room, with everyone bringing their own lunches. We also devoted time to a discussion of the Seminarian luncheon scheduled for August in the Maloney Center.

We want to thank everyone who was able to participate.

**JULY 1 IS THE FEAST DAY**  
**FOR ST. JUNIPERRA SERRA**

Born November 24, 1713 on the island of Majorca, Spain, he entered the Franciscan University at Palma, Spain at age 15, and joined the Franciscan Order at age 17, taking the name Junipero after the friend of Saint Francis. The name means “jester of God.” He was appointed a lector of philosophy prior to his ordination; and he later obtained his Doctorate in Theology. At the age of 36, he decided to give up teaching and dedicated himself to become a missionary in Mexico. For 20 years he preached and taught around Mexico City. Then he was assigned to California, to convert the Native Americans to Christianity. The Indians were taught how to farm and raise livestock, in addition to hearing the word of God and being baptized.

He stood just 5 feet, 2 inches, and, as a journalist later wrote of him, "He certainly didn't look like the man who would one day be known as the Apostle of California." Yet he endured the hardships of the frontier and pressed forward with remarkable determination to fulfill his purpose: to convert the Native Americans of California to Christianity.

“California is my life and there I hope to die,” Saint Serra once said. He was the sower of Catholic California, many of whose great cities are named after the missions he founded. In California, streets, trails, roads, highways, schools, and parishes are named after St. Serra. A statue of Friar Junípero Serra is one of two statues representing the state of California in the National Statuary Hall Collection in the

**ST. SERRA'S FEAST DAY**  
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United States Capitol.

A few hours before his death, he said, "If the Lord in His infinite mercy grants me eternal happiness, which I do not deserve because of my sins and faults, I shall pray for all and for the conversion of so many whom I leave unconverted." He died from tuberculosis on August 28, 1784, on the feast of St. Augustine of Hippo, at the age of 70.

The bells rang out the news to the entire mission: Fray Palóu (a companion and biographer of Serra) wrote that "many Indians came weeping over the death of their beloved father who had begotten them anew in the Lord and who was more esteemed by them than if he had been their natural father." He was buried at Carmel, Monterey, California.

**PRIESTS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE**  
**CELEBRATING ORDINATION**  
**ANNIVERSARIES IN JULY**

The following priests are celebrating anniversaries this month:

- DAY, C.P., REV. JOHN P., 7-8-72, 48 YRS
- HALPIN, O.F.M. CONV., REV. DONALD P., 7-29-72, 48 YRS
- HAYDEN, REV. JOSEPH F. (retired), 7-14-63, 57 YRS
- KO, REV. LUKE MIN SOO, 7-5-96, 24 YRS
- LESOUSKY, C.R., REV. JOHN A., 7-1-19, 64 YRS
- OTUMA, A.J., REV. GEORGE, 7-21-01, 19 YRS

More information on all our priests and deacons can be found by clicking [here](#).

**NEW PRIEST ASSIGNMENTS**  
**EFFECTIVE THIS SUMMER**

There were three articles in The Record announcing the new assignments. You can view those articles [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#).

**SEMINARIAN BIRTHDAYS IN JULY**

On July 5, we have two seminarians celebrating birthdays – **Quan Nguyen** and **Loi Pham**.

You can get more information on all our seminarians, as well as their email addresses by clicking [here](#).

**PANDEMIC PONDERINGS**

**On the vocation NOT to explain suffering, but to LAMENT with those who suffer** --- The Coronavirus and the Will of God – To read the article, click [here](#).

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**Another good quote** - "... meaningless suffering is the goal of the devil, and bringing meaning out of suffering is the saving work of God." - Ross Douthat, columnist

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**Many good national articles** - The National Catholic Register has prepared a number of articles on the pandemic. These articles deal with everything from Spiritual Communion to anxiety, to online resources, to how some dioceses are dealing with the virus, to virtual retreats, to tools for parishes, and much more. They can be found [here](#).

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**Is the Coronavirus Pandemic a Judgment From God?** – To read the article, click [here](#).

**POTPOURRI –**  
**VARIOUS ITEMS OF INTEREST**

**Celebrations this July:**

**Birthdays of Serrans and members of the Vocation Office:**

- Fr. Anthony Chandler, July 1
- Fr. Peter Do, July 2
- Chuck Lynch, July 7
- Sr. Sarah Yungwirth, July 9
- Mary Means, July 10
- Cheryl Bowling, July 18
- Bert Trompeter, July 19

**HAPPY  
BIRTH-  
DAY!**

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**Pope's Prayer Intentions for July** – Our Families - We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

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**African Americans on the Road to Sainthood** - To read about them, click [here](#).

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**Learn to profit from your spiritual trials** – To read the article, click [here](#).

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Newsletter questions, comments, or submissions? Contact Chuck Lynch at (502) 244-2752.



# The NEWMAN CONNECTION



*The Serra Club of Louisville*  
and the  
*Archdiocesan Office of Youth and Young Adults*  
have teamed up to promote  
*The Newman Connection*  
for all of our high school graduates!



## THE FACTS:

- An estimated **80%** of Catholic students leave the Church **before they turn 23!**
- **Only 15%** of U.S. Catholic college students take the time and effort to locate the Catholic ministry on their college campus!
- A study completed for the U.S. Bishops confirmed that those who are active in Campus Ministry also attend Mass more often, donate more to their parishes, become leaders in their parishes, and are likely to consider a vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life!
- Conclusion: **Increasing student's participation in Catholic campus ministry activities greatly benefits the individual and the Church in many ways!**

By informing the local Catholic ministry leaders on or near any of over **2,000 public and Catholic campuses nationwide** through *The Newman Connection*, the college student will be found and contacted, and will then *know* there is a place for them in the Church, meet Catholic friends, and grow in their faith!

## WAYS YOU CAN HELP:

*(If someone other than the student or their parent would like to submit a name, please courteously ask permission of the student or their parent first!)*

- 1) **Tell every high school graduate, parent or grandparent of a graduate you know!** Encourage them to go to <https://signupnc.newmanministry.com> and sign up!
- 2) **Provide names directly to us!** (*See contacts below.*) All that is needed for each student is:
  - First and last name,
  - The college this student plans to attend (*exact name since some college names are similar*), and
  - The city and state of the college
- 3) **Enter names yourself directly into the Newman Connection website!** Register as a "Volunteer" at [www.newmanconnection.com/volunteer](http://www.newmanconnection.com/volunteer) and start your own list of young people you wish to get connected!

## GET YOUR PARISH, YOUTH MINISTRY, AND CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL INVOLVED!

- Parish offices can help find your parish's high school graduates, create bulletin announcements, and post flyers!
- Youth Ministers often have a good idea who your parish's public high school graduates are!
- Catholic High Schools have their list of current graduates and their intended colleges, too!
- **Share this flyer!** Pastors, Principals, Youth Ministers, Scout Leaders, Coaches, Teachers, Parents, Grandparents!

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## WLCR AM 1040 PROGRAM-JULY 2020

Eastern	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6:30AM	<b>Begin Broadcast Day</b>						
6:30AM	Divine Intimacy	Son Rise Morning Show					Vatican Insider
7:00AM	<a href="#">Living Stones</a> Deacon Burke-Sivers	Morning Glory					Wisdom of Fr. Groeschel
7:30AM	<a href="#">EWTN Rosary</a>						EWTN Rosary
8:00AM	<a href="#">Rosary with Archbishop Joseph Kurtz</a>						
8:15AM	Sunday Mass from EWTN Chapel (Live)	<a href="#">Divine Mercy Chaplet</a>	<a href="#">Sunday's Homily</a> Fr. Matt Hardesty	<a href="#">Divine Mercy Chaplet</a>			Holy Mass from EWTN Chapel (Live)
8:30AM		Wisdom of Fr. Groeschel	<a href="#">Catholic Cafe</a> De.J. Drzycimski & T. Dorian	<a href="#">CatholicCatechism</a> Archbishop Fulton Sheen	<a href="#">Living Stones</a> Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers	<a href="#">Divine Intimacy</a> Dan Burke & Melissa Elson	
9:00AM	<a href="#">StoriesFromTheHeart</a>	<a href="#">Fr. Spitzer's Universe</a>	<a href="#">Journey Home</a> Marcus Grodi	<a href="#">Best of The Journey Home</a> Marcus Grodi			<a href="#">The Great Adventure</a> Jeff Cavins
9:30AM	<a href="#">EWTN Bookmark</a> Doug Keck						
10:00AM	<a href="#">EWTN Pro-Life Weekly</a> Catherine Hadro	<a href="#">Christ Is The Answer</a> Fr. John Riccardo					<a href="#">Scripture and Tradition</a> Fr. Mitch Pacwa
10:30AM	<a href="#">Word on Fire</a> Bishop Robert Barron						
11:00AM	<a href="#">Register Radio</a> Jeanette DeMelo	<a href="#">EWTN Live(E)</a> Fr. Mitch Pacwa	<a href="#">The Great Adventure</a> Jeff Cavins	<a href="#">Celtic Connections</a> Kathy Sinnott	<a href="#">Right to Life</a> Margie Montgomery	<a href="#">Vocation Boom</a> Jerry Usher	Doctor, Doctor
11:30AM	<a href="#">Light of the East</a> Fr. Thomas Loya				<a href="#">Word on Fire</a> BishopRobertBarron		
12:00PM	<a href="#">Rosary with Archbishop Joseph Kurtz</a>						
12:15PM	<a href="#">Divine Mercy Chaplet</a>						
12:30PM	<a href="#">Where God Weeps</a> Mark Riedemann	<a href="#">Liturgy of the Word</a> (starts about 12:28 PM)					<a href="#">Vatican Insider</a> Joan Lewis
1:00PM	<a href="#">Scripture and Tradition</a> Fr. Mitch Pacwa	<a href="#">Doctor Is In</a> 1-877-573-7825 Dr. Ray Guarendi					The Church Alive
2:00PM	<a href="#">Best of Called to Communion</a>	<a href="#">Called to Communion</a> 1-800-585-9396 Dr. David Anders					<a href="#">The Good Fight</a> 877-573-7825 Barbara McGuigan
3:00PM	<a href="#">The World Over (Encore)</a>	<a href="#">OpenLine(Live)</a> 1-800-585-9396 John Martignoni	<a href="#">OpenLine(Live)</a> 1-800-585-9396 Fr Wade Menezes	<a href="#">Open Line (Live)</a> 1-800-585-9396 Fr. Mitch Pacwa	<a href="#">MotherAngelica Live Classics</a>	<a href="#">OpenLine(Live)</a> 1-800-585-9396 Colin Donovan	
4:00PM	<a href="#">Word on Fire</a> Bishop Robert Barron	<a href="#">Kresta in the Afternoon</a> 877-573-7825					<a href="#">Catholic Cafe</a> De.J. Drzycimski & T. Dorian
4:30PM	<a href="#">Right to Life (E)</a> Margie Montgomery						<a href="#">EWTN Bookmark</a> Doug Keck
5:00PM	<a href="#">Rosary with Archbishop Kurtz</a>						<a href="#">Rosary with Archbishop Kurtz</a>
5:15PM	<a href="#">DivineMercyChaplet</a>						<a href="#">DivineMercyChaplet</a>
5:30PM	Family Theater						<a href="#">CatholicCatechism</a> Archbishop Fulton Sheen
6:00PM	<a href="#">Best of Catholic Answers</a>	<a href="#">Catholic Answers Live</a> 888-318-7884					<a href="#">The Bear Woznick Adventure</a>
7:00PM	<a href="#">Best of Catholic Answers</a>	<a href="#">Catholic Answers Live</a> 888-318-7884					<a href="#">Register Radio</a> Jeanette DeMelo
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8:30PM	EWTN Pro-Life						
9:00PM	<b>End Broadcast Day</b>						