

FRIENDS OF SERRA - Affiliates of the Saint Serra Club of Louisville

PROMOTING VOCATIONS THROUGH PRAYER AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT

WHAT IS THE SAINT SERRA CLUB? WHAT DO WE DO?

We are an international lay group of men and women, who do what we can to support all people who have chosen a religious vocation. We also promote future vocations, and try to develop the faith formation of our Members.

We usually meet twice a month (first and third Mondays for lunch, usually at the same location each month), with speakers at almost all our meetings.

In addition to prayers for vocations, we have organized annual luncheons for women religious; sponsored send-off luncheons for our seminarians in August of each year; sponsored the Men's and Women's Archdiocesan Conferences; Coordinated with the Vocation Office for the Vocation Poster and Essay Contests (providing certificates and cash prizes); promoted the Newman Connection, which keeps college students in touch with the Church through campus ministry or nearby parishes; sponsored the pictorial seminarian prayer card for the Archdiocese; sent birthday cards to our seminarians; promoted the Traveling Chalice Program and the Traveling Crucifix Program in schools and parishes; given boxes of candies to 500 sisters for Christmas; promoted the 31-Club of parishion-

ers each picking a day of the month to pray for vocations; promoted Adopt-A-Seminarian and Adopt-A-Priest programs; promote Priest Appreciation Day and Deacon Appreciation Day; and much more.

About \$4,000 of our budget is spent on these items. Member dues (\$110 every six months) help cover the cost of the many things we do. Also, about 42% of our Member dues help support Serra International and the USA Council of Serra International.

WHO ARE FRIENDS OF SERRA?

Some Serra Clubs have "Friends of Serra" for people who are unable to become full Members due to time constraints or the physical constraints of getting out of their homes.

The Saint Serra Club of Louisville has decided to start a Friends of Serra program, asking for donations of **at least \$50 per year.** (That's less than \$5 per month.)

Our club could do so much more if we had additional financial support. This would include increasing prizes for vocation poster and essay contests, doing more for Clergy Appreciation Day, senior women religious, seminarians, etc.

BENEFITS OF BECOMING A FRIEND OF SERRA

1 - You never have to attend meetings, pay Member dues, or pay national or international dues.

2 - If you ever choose to attend our meetings, you can attend at Member Prices, instead of the higher price we normally charge non-Members.

3 - You will receive our monthly Club Newsletter.

4 - You can provide input to our Club and its Board of Directors. We always welcome ideas on how to improve the methods to achieve our mission.

5 - Financial support is tax deductible.

6 - We will recognize you as a Friend of Serra in our newsletter. (Of course, anyone wishing to remain anonymous can do so.)

7 - You'll have fellowship with other like-minded Christians who care about the future of the Catholic Church.

8 - Through interaction with our Club and its Members, you can learn more about Serra and hopefully consider becoming a full Member at some later date.

IF YOU WANT MORE INFORMATION ON BECOMING A FRIEND OF SERRA, PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM.

You can mail it to Bob Hublar (our Secretary) at 300 East Daisy Lane, New Albany, IN 47150.

Or you can just call Bob at (502) 216-0945.

Or you can email the information to Bob at RJHublar@Bellsouth.net.

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