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***Pray the Rosary to know your own personal Vocation and reveal
God's will in your life***

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

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

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.

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October, the month devoted to the Holy Rosary.



Pray the Rosary to know your own personal Vocation and reveal God's will in your life.

What is this? you may ask

If you had seen someone using a phone or tablet within the church and I have had that experience, you may have raised your eyebrows at least or challenged the user. But! Technology? What better way to carry the decades of the rosary or indeed the Mass readings and have the option to select that particular mystery or Mass reading of the day.

In the year 1214 the rosary was given to Saint Dominic the founder of the Dominican order when the Virgin Mary appeared to him in an apparition. In the 13th century, she is said to have appeared to St. Dominic (founder of the Dominicans), given him a rosary, and asked that Christians pray the Hail Mary, Our Father and Glory Be prayers instead of the Psalms. The Dominican priest and theologian Alanus de Rupe promoted the practice of the Rosary by establishing the “fifteen rosary mysteries” and many confraternities of the rosary were formed. In 2002 Pope John Paul II, in his apostolic letter *Rosarium Virginis Mariae* added the fourth mystery the “mystery of light”

All throughout the history of the Catholic Church, many popes, indeed our own Pope Francis today, and saints have encouraged praying the Rosary. As we begin to understand and appreciate the Rosary and pray it more frequently, we come to see the true meaning of its meditations. We begin to appreciate how its prayers are reminders not only of Mary the Mother of God but of Christ himself.

Devotion to the Rosary is one of the most recognised features of popular Catholic spirituality. The Rosary inspires us to meditate on the mysteries of the lives of Mary the Mother of God and Christ himself. Meditation is an important part of our lives as Catholics. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, meditation “engages thought, imagination, emotion and desire. This mobilization of faculties is necessary in order to deepen our convictions of faith, prompt the conversion of our heart and strengthen our will to follow Christ.

November, the month of the Holy Souls.

As the weather grows colder and the leaves fall, and as Christmas approach, it is natural for many of us to think about the people we've loved who are no longer with us.

For the Catholic Church, November begins with All Saints Day and All Souls Day, as the Month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Perhaps no Catholic doctrine has been more misunderstood by Catholics themselves than the doctrine of Purgatory. Consequently, some tend to downplay it, even seem a little embarrassed by it. But according to Catholic theology, it is the Holy Souls who suffer because of the living's discomfort with the doctrine.

Purgatory is not, as many people think, one last trial. Catholics believe that all of those who make it to Purgatory will one day be in Heaven. Purgatory is where those who have died in grace, but who have not fully atoned for the temporal punishments resulting from their sins, go to finish their atonement before entering Heaven. A soul in Purgatory may suffer, but they have the assurance that they will ultimately enter Heaven when their punishment is complete. Catholics believe Purgatory is an expression of God's love, His desire to cleanse human souls of all that might keep them from experiencing the fullness of joy in Heaven.

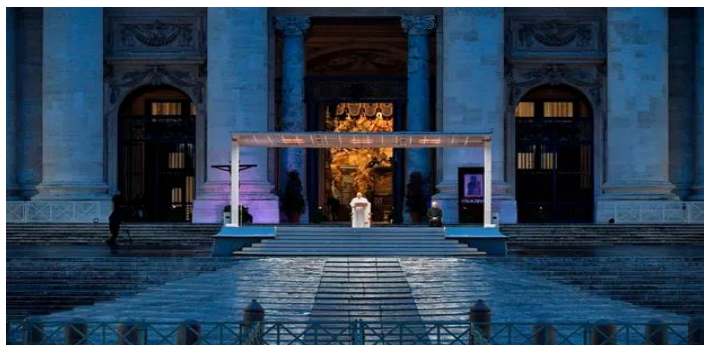
Christians believe that they don't travel through this world alone. Their salvation is wrapped up with the salvation of others, and charity requires them to go to their aid. The same is true of the Holy Souls. In their time in Purgatory, they can pray for the living, and the living should pray for the faithful departed that they may be freed from the punishment for their sins and enter into Heaven.

Catholics should pray for the dead throughout the year, especially on the anniversary of their death. In this Month of the Holy Souls, daily prayers should be said for the dead. Those that wish to participate should start with those closest to them—like their mother and father, for instance—but they should also offer prayers for all the souls, and especially for those most forsaken.

Christians believe that the Holy Souls for whom they pray will continue to pray for them after they have been released from Purgatory. Followers of the faith believe that they, too, will likely find themselves in Purgatory someday and that their acts of charity toward the Holy Souls there now will ensure that they remember them before the throne of God when they are most in need of prayers. It's a comforting thought for many, and one that encourages many Catholics, especially during the month of November, to offer their prayers for the Holy Souls.

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Over the past 18 months our Church has suffered. Serra has suffered.



The iconic image of the glistening, wet, dark, St Peter's Square, with the Holy Father, alone, and praying upon a platform, what you are seeing encapsulates the suffering and indeed the challenges for our Church during this pandemic. Our bishops and priests and those dedicated to shepherding our people have been put under great pressures, simply to provide the basic essentials of our faith. Many have been isolated and frustrated, younger priests supporting older isolated ones, frustrated that they cannot fulfil their vocation and the call of Our Lord to provide the Eucharist, and the sacraments.

Serra throughout the world has equally suffered, we have not been able to function fully in our basic work to go out and encourage and attract vocations and meet with our club members.

Over the last 18 months of lockdown and restrictions our Serra clubs in Great Britain have met by zoom or what's app or simply by email communication. Some of our more senior Serrans are not quite as able to use the internet and in one case a Serran of some 50+ years service who can't wait to return to our normal meetings has communicated weekly with what he calls his chatter. Chatters are his stories related to his Serran vocations experiences. His most recent chatter was numbered Chatter 74 representing 74 weekly communications with his club members, one year and a half of devotion to our cause.

We have lost members to this virus including one of our patrons to Serra GB namely Archbishop Philip Tartaglia both he and Bishop Vincent Logan who died three days later were great ambassador for Serra. Several other members we keep in our prayers. May they rest in peace.

Despite all the restrictions our dioceses throughout Great Britain, by the grace of God, have had new entries to seminary for their propaedeutic year. Ordination to the diaconate and priesthood are still forthcoming. All is not doom and gloom. If we pray enough Our Lord will listen.

Communication has been extremely important in this past year and a half and will continue to be so. We have our web site and the Serra GB *focus* newsletter, it is now more

a magazine. It has expanded both in content and distribution to our National Serrans and beyond. Clergy, religious orders and friends of Serra know we still exist, and with the possibility of new members when we return to normal. Notably our resources page being the most popular where Rosary for vocations, intercessions, or other prayer sessions can be freely downloaded for use by our Serrans or churches and has been very active over the lockdown periods.

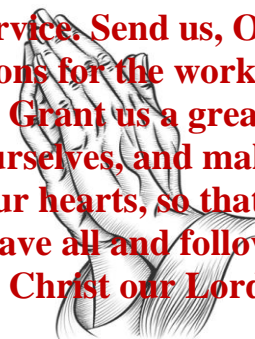
It is only in the last month that Serra clubs in Great Britain have been able to meet physically to celebrate the Eucharist together, share experiences, laugh and return to some kind of normality. On Sunday 10th October our National council and members meet for our AGM. The intention to re-establish our many external programs, visit schools, have parish Adoration for vocations, our vigils, our 31 clubs, they will require renewing, our speakers anew and many programmes will require updating.

Most importantly our membership which is predominantly older has suffered through inactivity. One club has expanded others have retained their numbers and regrettably some members have fallen away through inactivity and old age. On 10th October we will strategise "Where we want to be in the coming years" and our plans to once again expand our membership.

Let us pray that Serra in Great Britain with the help of prayer will succeed in the very valuable work for our church in attracting and encouraging vocations and supporting those very valuable priests and religious who have dedicated themselves to the service of God's people.

In Great Britain we have a Prayer for Serrans.

O Lord, we pray for our own vocation: give us strength in our faith so that we do not fall with difficulties and are able to be generous in Your service. Send us, O Lord, many active laypersons for the work of Serra for Vocations. Grant us a great friendship among ourselves, and make Your love grow in our hearts, so that we may help many to leave all and follow You. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Hopefully and prayerfully, we will not have to experience, for much longer, this dreaded virus and the restrictions it imposes on our church, clergy and consecrated religious, on Serra, here in Great Britain and throughout our Serra world.

***"Prayer moves the heart of God".
St John Paul***

The stewardship of God's creation.



November 1st -12th, the UN climate change conference, COP26 (Conference of the Parties) on Global Climate Change will take place in Glasgow. The conference will be attended by some 190 delegates from the countries that signed the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, a treaty that came into force in 1994.

Our Holy Father will be present at that conference, celebrating mass for the delegates at St Aloysius church in Glasgow one of the most beautiful churches in the world and used by Serra for our 1999 SI convention liturgies. He will, no doubt urge for immediate change in the way humans abuse God's creation. For several years we have been aware that human activity has been detrimental to the survival of our planet. Over the summer months, we know of countries that have experienced drought, excessive temperature rises, catastrophic fires and rising sea levels causing extreme flooding, increased frequency of hurricanes and so much devastation to countries and peoples. And that is becoming a frequent situation.

We have reached a critical position where urgent action is required to save our planet. As Catholics and indeed Christians we believe that the world is a gift from God and that he placed humans in a position of stewardship and dominion over his creation. Throughout the Book of Genesis, several times we hear of God creating this earth, our human species our animal kingdom and the stewardship and dominion we have in protecting this universe."

"Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground".
"Genesis 1.28 " The drive to "Serve the garden in which we have been placed" (also Genesis 2:15) sees Christian influence in political and practical affairs. This stewardship requires changes in human behaviour— both in moral behaviour and technical advancement... A renewed sense of sacrifice and restraint will make an essential contribution to addressing global climate change.

Our Catholic church teaching asks us to be faithful to the fulness of God's truth in the hope that this conference will shed some much-needed light upon the environmental issues that are currently facing our world. We must reflect upon the

environmental questions with the help of Church teaching which is handed down through the Magisterium and is indeed from Our Lord himself. This teaching has been passed down to us by the Scripture, Sacred Tradition, and is intended to be universal in its scope, and, as such, has much to contribute to a proper understanding of environmental stewardship. Our teaching represents a two-thousand-year history of reasoned reflection upon divine revelation, it serves as an indispensable point of departure for establishing a deeper understanding of the created order, the nature and the value of God's creatures, and, in particular, humanity's value and place on this earth.

Catholic understanding of the environment must be informed by a knowledge of these truths so that we can respond to the environmental questions in a manner that respects the order that God has established. At the same time, a genuinely Catholic approach to stewardship must constantly bring the moral authority of Church teaching to bear on all environmental questions. Thus, in addition to authentic scientific and reasoned analysis, even the simplest choices regarding the environment must be properly ordered to the truth about man and the world that is his home.

The Christian Declaration on Nature drawn up at Assisi in 1986 makes the following points very clearly: All creation, both with and without humans, has a close interdependence which was made in this way by God. This harmony of creation is to the glory of God. Humans have the role of protecting all created things, not abusing or destroying them. All types of exploitation of the world and its resources and all creatures are rejected. Humans must not do anything that risks damage to the world, including nuclear warfare. For many Christians, the guiding principles are to respect God's creations, not to exploit creation and to be aware of the needs of future generations. We can apply these principles to the question of looking after the environment in many ways.

The Roman Catholic Church has responded to the challenges raised by environmental issues by stressing the need for every individual and every nation to play their part. The important points that the Church makes include the beliefs that: creation has value because it reveals something about God the creator. Creation has value in itself; humanity depends on God but everyone has a responsibility for the world and the environment. We must not destroy the beauty of God's gift to His people and the beauty of His creations.



Let us pray that this conference will awaken all nations to the preservation, to stewardship and not destroy the beauty of all God's creation.

“A Fisher of men”.

Back on September 2nd our first night back since lockdown for our normal club meeting. During mass we were listening to the gospel of Luke 5:1-11 when Jesus says “From now on it is men you will catch” appropriately so, since it is a very important vocations reading. It also says “Put out into deep water” quite scary for Peter and Co and indeed for us. Serrans and those of you not Serran I ask you “Should we be fishers of men and so arrogant to assume that title?”



By virtue of our Baptism, we are all called to share our faith. Serran or not we are all called to evangelise. It is everyone’s mission to encourage the propagation of our faith in our home, community and parish. In today’s society, I know it is difficult, but we must reach out to active and inactive Catholics. “Yes. It is a scary and onerous thought”

We should generate our own priests for our own parishes. In a quote by Pope Benedict some years ago he said, *“A parish that does not generate its own priests is a dying parish.”*

Do we ever ask our younger people “Have you ever thought about being a priest or religious?” I think 90% would say no, then perhaps we should ask the question. Fortunately, we do not have the final say, that is up to Our Lord since He is the one that calls. We can plant the seed and pray that Our Lord nurtures the growth of that seed and makes the final call.

If one asks any Vocation Director to identify the most crucial element for success, prayer is almost always mentioned first. Of course, we must pray and “Ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to His harvest.” ...but we must also persevere with prayer, continual prayer for more vocations and prayer for those who struggle with their vocation.

The Catholic Church has many problems today in this secularist society, as it has done throughout the ages. She is weaker in Western Europe today but stronger in many other continents. She will always be there and to the end of time.

Serrans or not, the laity must join in the effort by giving of their time, by inviting people to discern their vocations by praying and by creating a climate and culture in which vocations can flourish. By reading this prayer, let us pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

Lord, we ask you to call many young people to religious life, and to provide the holy and generous priests that are so needed in our Church today. Amen

Cardinal Justin Regali Past Episcopal adviser to Serra Int

“The call of a tax collector, a gift from God”

“The Calling of Saint Matthew” is a masterpiece by Michelangelo Merisi da Caravaggio, in the Church of San Luigi dei Francesi, Rome depicting the moment at which Jesus inspires Matthew to follow him.



In this painting, one of three, in this church by Caravaggio, he tells the story of St Matthew’s call to follow Our Lord.

As with all of Caravaggio's paintings, light plays an important part in their composition. In the Calling of St Matthew we see the light of eternity coming from behind the figure of Jesus, flooding into the scene of the taxman Matthew at his table. Jesus is summoning him in a call which comes in heavenly light, for it comes from the Father. Jesus' hand of summons is unmistakably the same hand as that of Adam, in Michelangelo's masterpiece in the Sistine Chapel. Jesus is the Second Adam and is calling Matthew to the fulfilment that he alone can give.

This makes so plain the first aspect of the Church's doctrine of vocation: **God is the source of every vocation** be it religious or otherwise.

Then, in the picture, we see that Jesus is accompanied by Peter. The summons given to Matthew is to become one of the companions of Jesus. The call and its fulfilment take place in the context of the Church. Thirdly, Matthew is called in the reality of his everyday life and work. You may recall that the group around the taxman's table are dressed in the clothes of the sixteenth century whereas Jesus and Peter are clothed in the timeless robes of New Testament iconography. The call of God comes to us as we are, flawed and compromised, in the daily realities of our lives.

In the text on St Matthew’s feast day we hear in the Gospel of Matthew 9:9-13, when Jesus is criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners, He replies “It is not the healthy who need the doctor, but the sick – what I want is mercy not sacrifice – I did not come to call the virtuous but the sinners.

We must never assume that a person is not fit to be called. That is not our call but that of Our Lord. As in Matthew’s name from the Hebrew name Mattityahu, which means “gift of Yahweh,” or “gift of God”.

All vocations are a gift of God.

Articles on Sts Mark, Luke and John next 3 issues.

Serra is still alive

As many of you will know Serra International has been aggregated to the Sacred Congregations since 1951, coincidentally the birthdate of the newly appointed Prefect to Congregation for the Clergy.



On 2nd August 2021, His Excellency, the Most Rev. Lazzaro You Heung sik commenced his service as Prefect of the Congregation for the Clergy.

Born in 1951 and ordained a priest for the Diocese of Daejeon, Lazarus You Heung sik was appointed as Coadjutor Bishop of the said Diocese in 2003, and as Bishop of Daejeon in 2005.

He served as President of the Justice and Peace Committee for the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Korea and travelled to North Korea four times. His ardent prayer and hope is for lasting peace and reconciliation on the beloved Korean Peninsula.

In August 2014, Archbishop Lazarus You Heung sik welcomed Pope Francis to the Diocese of Daejeon, on the occasion of the sixth Asian Youth Day.

In October 2018, at the invitation of Pope Francis, he participated in the Ordinary Assembly of the Synod of Bishops on Young People.

He was appointed by Pope Francis as Prefect of the Congregation for the Clergy on 11 June 2021, Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, replacing our much loved Prefect Emeritus Cardinal Beniamino Stella.

As members of Serra International we extend a warm welcome to His Excellency assuring him of our support and prayers in his new appointment.



Cardinal Stella was prefect for the past 8 years and largely responsible for our private audience with Pope Francis during our Serra International convention of 2017. We thank him, wish him and continue to pray for him in his retirement.

Archbishop Jorge Carlos Patrón Wong with whom we closely liaise continues as Secretary for Seminaries of the Congregation for the Clergy.

As members of Serra slowly return to some kind of normality and try to re-establish our vocations work. We pray that this Covid virus while not fully neutralised is under control thanks to the magnificent work of our scientists and medical personnel. We must still be aware of the caution and prevention methods that are necessary to maintain that sense of normal living.

Again, I must thank our Serran friend Gerard Humphries from North Cheshire who has, I dare say struggled to keep fresh his chatters, for 72 weeks, amazing!

Chatter No72.....A True Story



When I was very young, I read in some catholic publication that if one of the family left the catholic church and joined some heretical set, they should be kicked out of the family. How things have changed. Another example: when my Father married (he being an Anglican) they were not allowed to marry in the church. They married in the sacristy, with only the priest and a male and female witness, bridal gown, no organ etc. My Father had to promise that he would help his wife to bring children up as Catholics. He did, wonderfully. Now, and I approve, we are friendly with any Christian, and rightly so, still loving a son or daughter who leaves the church. What caused the change?

My mother nevertheless had a wedding photo, or one that looked genuine. She went to the local photographers, with a wedding gown in a case. She bound a small book with white paper, so it looked like a prayer book. And did not tell anyone that it was a set-up.

Another great change is covid and lockdown etc. For many months I always thought that covid was something that happened to 'other people'. I have a grandchild who is a doctor. He caught it, got better, and returned to the same job. I have 2 other grand children with Covid. I have a grand daughter who was due to marry last Saturday. She and her intended got it and had last minute to cancel, or rather postpone, their wedding. They have managed to find another date in about a month when they can get the church and the reception hotel, remarkably have concurred.

So, I ask for prayers for our grandchildren (we have 24) and your grandchildren. And, of course You will be praying for priestly vocations. as well as the usual or more fervently.

We can now return to our Club meetings and hope you will join us again. God Bless you.

.....Gerard and Elizabeth Humphries

Serra International Rosary for Vocations



In the month of November, the Serra clubs of Great Britain will recognise and pray for their deceased members.

This year, we pray for all Serrans and especially our Serrans and clergy who have passed, during these last 18 months of lockdown, from this earth to the loving care of Our Lord.

*Archbishop Philip Tartaglia of Glasgow,
Bishop Vincent Logan of Dunkeld,
Canon John Harty of Dunkeld,
Stan Ollieuz North Cheshire,
Willie Robertson Glasgow,
Peter Connor Paisley,
Tom Kilkerr of South Herts
and Sheila Riley of South Herts.*

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen*



On the last Saturday of every month, you are invited to join the world in a recitation of the Rosary for vocation. The Serra International Rosary continues Saturdays, Oct 30th, Nov 29th Dec 26th, Jan 30th 2021, at 2.00pm GMT thereafter on the last Saturday of every month. Join us free, use

Access Code: 314-315-91. at:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/314315981>



*“I invite you to pray the rosary, and to carry it in your hands or in your pockets. The recitation of the rosary is the most beautiful prayer we can offer to the Virgin Mary. It is a contemplation on the stages of the life of Jesus our the Saviour, with his Mother Mary. It is a weapon that protects us from evils and temptations.
..... Pope Francis*

A Serran “Rosary for vocations” can be downloaded [here](#); or our [web site](#): resources page.

Our Priests and religious need our prayers

The health of our Church depends directly on the spirit of her priests and religious who need to be more than simply honest or diligent or even faithful. They need to be consumed by a love for God, a love for their people and a love for our Catholic faith. And that kind of love, a passion to give ourselves to something greater than ourselves, cuts against the very nature of the noise, distractions, addiction of the consumerist society in which we live

Lord, we ask you to protect all our priests and Religious around the world. Bless them Father; give them the Holy Spirit to provide wisdom and strength, to protect them physically and spiritually. Amen

Consider, Praying the Rosary with the intercession after each decade.

Mary. Mother of vocations. Pray for us.

Finish with Our Serran prayers for vocations:

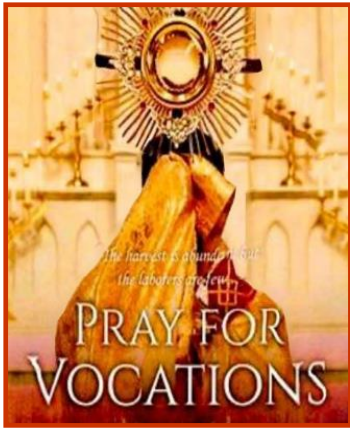
Serran prayers for vocations.

O God, Who wills not the death of a sinner, but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech You, through the intercession of Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, Saint Joseph, her spouse, Saint Junipero Serra, and all the saints, an increase in labourers for Your Church, fellow labourers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

Serran Prayer for the Perseverance of Vocations

O God, You have constituted Your only-begotten Son, supreme and eternal priest, for the glory of Your majesty and the salvation of mankind: grant that those whom He has hosen ministers and dispensers of His mysteries, may be found faithful in fulfilling the ministry they have received.

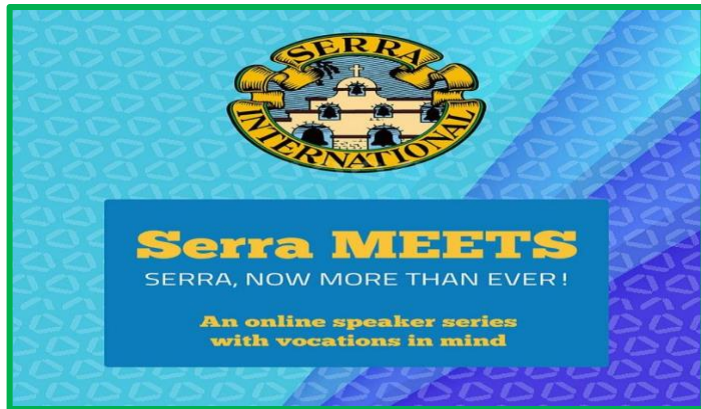
Does your parish have “Adoration for Vocations?”



It is during these quiet times away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life that you can escape and concentrate, with the help of the Holy Spirit, on prayer which will assist in solving problems. You can also browse through our resources page on our website, to help you focus, particularly on your vocation in life or that of

religious vocations, during that special time with Our Lord. Download and print off for your own or your parish use. Encourage prayer for all vocations.

Let us pray for all men and women who are contemplating their future work and lives. May they consider Our Lord's call in their lives.



Due to the success of this programme, we are continuing the Serra Meets virtual lectures from leading clergy and experts on the topic of Catholic vocations, designed to inspire you and keep you connected to our mission. Serra Meets is now a routine webinar broadcast each second Saturday of the month. Our Next Serra Meets speaker is the Right Reverend Bishop Frank Caggiano, from the diocese of Bridgeport Connecticut on October, 9th at 5pm, Each lecture will last one hour online. Our speaker for November 13th 2021, TBA.

To join our speaker, click this [link](#). Patterned after regular Serra meetings, Serra Meets events will open and close with prayer, speaker introductions, feature a notable keynote speaker(s), followed by a short business topic. As Covid restrictions ease, this is an opportunity for Serra clubs internationally to come together. Serra Meets is organized and hosted by the US Council of Serra International.

Replacing our 2021 Conference

Our Serra GB Council meeting will take place at



on Sunday 10th October. Joining our Serra Great Britain chaplain Father Anthony Cogliolo for our 10.30 Mass followed by our AGM and presentations.

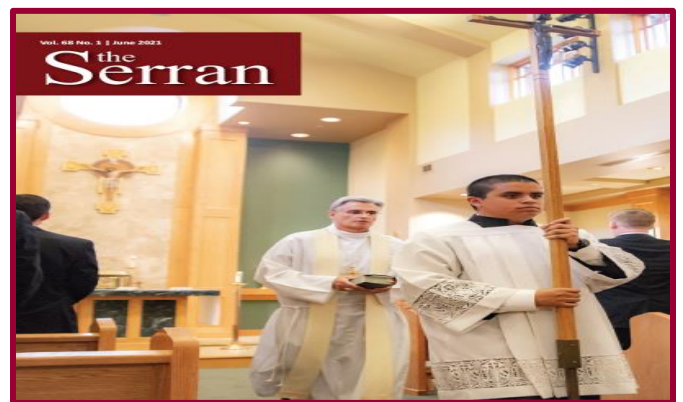
Serra International Convention

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The June edition Serran Magazine



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Vocations Ireland formed a team with the U.K. to work on a European music project with Austria, Germany, Switzerland, The Netherlands and Croatia. We are hosting an online music competition for 18-35's, with the theme of Vocation. Visit our website www.vocation-music-award.com You will see and hear some of last year's winners and will see the caliber of the entries. Click on the English section for more details.

The results for this year's competition are now in which can be streamed on You Tube at this link: <https://bit.ly/vocation-music-award-youtube>

We are also delighted to launch A Vocations Music Award Event app where you can find up to - date information on our finalists and a schedule of the event video. To access the app, please go to <https://vocationsmusicaward.lineupr.com/vocations-music-award-final/>

It's just a Joke

On their way to get married, a young Catholic couple is involved in a fatal car accident. The couple found themselves sitting outside the Pearly Gates waiting for St. Peter to process them into Heaven.

While waiting, they began to wonder: Could they possibly get married in Heaven? When St. Peter showed up, they asked him. St. Peter said, "I don't know. This is the first time anyone has asked. Let me go find out," and he left. The couple sat and waited and waited. Two months passed and the couple were still waiting. While waiting, they began to wonder what would happen if it didn't work out; could you get a divorce in heaven? After yet another month, St. Peter finally returned, looking somewhat bedraggled. "Yes," he informed the couple, "You can get married in Heaven." "Great!" said the couple, "But we were just wondering, what if things don't work out? Could we also get a divorce in Heaven?" St. Peter, red-faced with anger, slammed his clipboard onto the ground. "What's wrong?" asked the frightened couple. "OH, COME ON!" St. Peter shouted, "It took me three months to find a priest up here! Do you have any idea how long it'll take me to find a lawyer?"

“Grant me, O Lord, a sense of humour. Allow me the grace to be able to take a joke to discover in life a bit of joy, and to be able to share it with others.

Serra clubs of Serra Great Britain are slowly returning. You can contact us by email or telephone for information.

District 60

Liverpool

We meet at 6.30pm 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at the Cenacle Convent, Tithebarn Grove, Lance Lane, Liverpool L15 6TW.

email; serra.liverpool@gmail.com tel: 0151 724 6249

Manchester

We meet 1st Tuesdays of the month 2pm at Our Lady's Parish Centre, Davyhulme Rd, Manchester. M41 7DS
email; serramanchester@gmail.com tel; 01625 477215

North Cheshire

We meet 1st and 3rd Thursdays of month 2.00 pm at Christ Church, Heald Green, Cheadle, Cheshire. SK83Dye

email; serra.northcheshire@outlook.com
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South Lancs

For further information on Serra club of South Lancs
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or tel: 0151 724 6249

District 62

South Hertfordshire.

We meet 2nd Tuesday of every month (except August) 7.30pm at Our Lady and St. Michael's Church, Crown Rise, Garston, Herts WD25 0NE

email; serrasouthherts.co.uk tel; 01923 661692

District 63

We meet last Tuesday of the month at 6 pm with Mass at 7pm at St Joseph's convent, Lawside Rd, Dundee DD36XY.

email; serra.dunkeld@hotmail.com tel; 01382 322920

Glasgow

We meet 1st and 3rd Thursdays, August to June at 7.30pm Millhill, Cardonald and University of Glasgow Chaplaincy (as programmed)

email; serra.glasgow@aol.com tel; 0141 571 8313

Paisley

For further information on Serra club of Paisley

email; secretary@serragreatbritain.org.uk

or phone: 01505 321005

**Mary. Mother of vocations. Pray for us.
St Junipero Serra. Pray for us.**



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