



Serra Mensajero

Upcoming Events

Monday, June 17

Dinner meeting; 6:30 pm
Installation Dinner
Canyon Creek Country Club

Friday, July 5

First Friday Mass & Meal
6:30 am – St. Mark
12:30 pm – St. Eliz. Ann Seton

Monday, July 15

Dinner meeting; 6:30 pm
Fr Paul McCormick, Cistercian Abbey
Canyon Creek Country Club

Friday, August 2

First Friday Mass & Meal
6:30 am – St. Mark
12:30 pm – St. Eliz. Ann Seton

Monday, August 19

Dinner meeting; 6:30 pm
Andy Zihlman, Bishop Lynch HS
Canyon Creek Country Club

Friday, September 6

First Friday Mass & Meal
6:30 am – St. Mark
12:30 pm – St. Eliz. Ann Seton

Monday, September 23

Dinner meeting; 6:30 pm
Canyon Creek Country Club

Friday, October 4

First Friday Mass & Meal
6:30 am – St. Mark
12:30 pm – St. Eliz. Ann Seton



May Speaker Summary

Father Kevin Wilwert shared his vocation story with our membership at the May dinner meeting and then gave us the opportunity to ask questions about his journey, his position as formation director for Holy Trinity Seminary, and any other questions regarding seminarians. It was easy to see from his easy and unimposing attitude the rapport that he has with the young men he works with.

Welcome Father Michael Guadagnoli

Pastor of St Monica's

as the new Chaplain for

North Central Dallas Serra Club!

Serra Mensajero is the monthly newsletter for North Central Dallas which reports activities, provides news to members, and supports Club goals.

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North Central Dallas Serra Club
www.ncdserraclub.com

Serra USA Council
www.serraus.org

**President's Message
June 1, 2019**

Dear Fellow Serrans,

This is my last contribution to the Mensajero as president of the Serra Club of North Central Dallas.

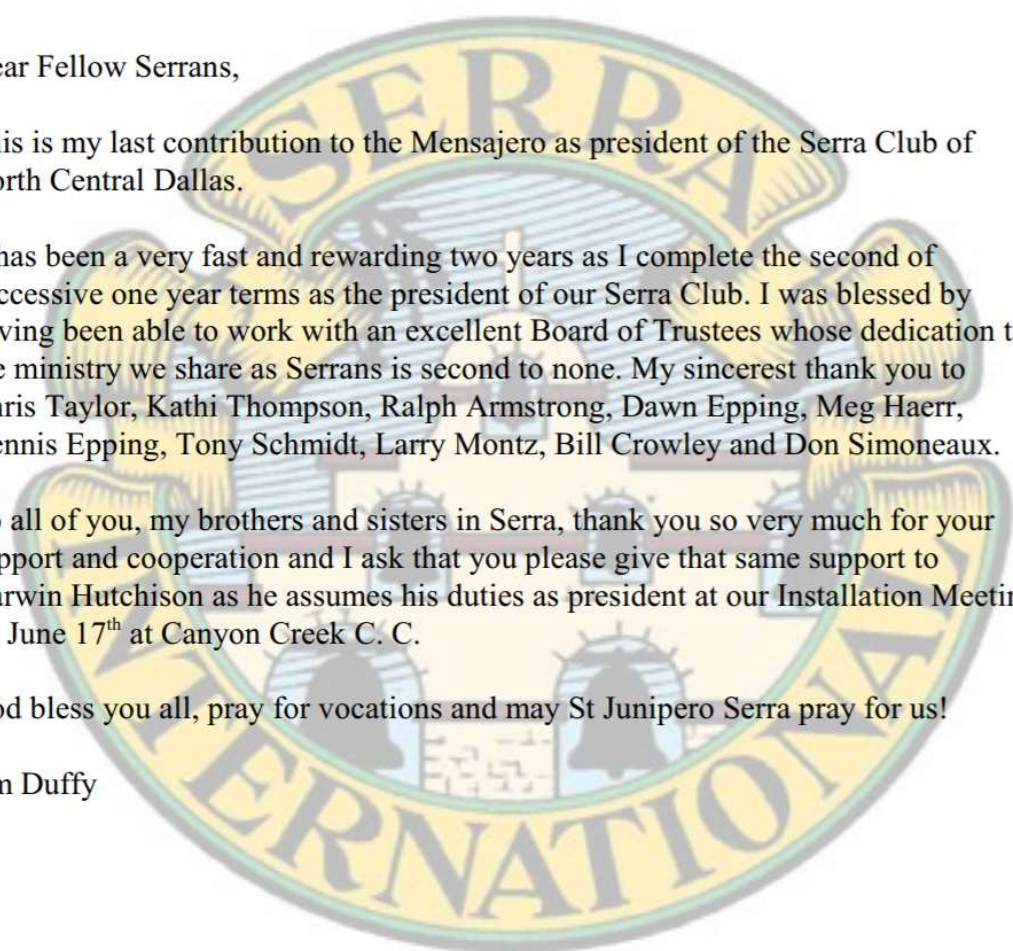
It has been a very fast and rewarding two years as I complete the second of successive one year terms as the president of our Serra Club. I was blessed by having been able to work with an excellent Board of Trustees whose dedication to the ministry we share as Serrans is second to none. My sincerest thank you to Chris Taylor, Kathi Thompson, Ralph Armstrong, Dawn Epping, Meg Haerr, Dennis Epping, Tony Schmidt, Larry Montz, Bill Crowley and Don Simoneaux.

To all of you, my brothers and sisters in Serra, thank you so very much for your support and cooperation and I ask that you please give that same support to Darwin Hutchison as he assumes his duties as president at our Installation Meeting on June 17th at Canyon Creek C. C.

God bless you all, pray for vocations and may St Junipero Serra pray for us!

Jim Duffy

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PRAY FOR THE HEALING POWER OF GOD FOR:	
Ed & Bernadette Johnson	Leo Heiting
Tom Demarest	Mary LaFave
Katy Warren	

June Anniversaries	
Don and Carolyn Simoneaux	3
Dick and Diane Reed	11

June Birthdays	
Kay Hogan	24
Mark Venincasa	24
Dawn Epping	26
Chris Taylor	27

The Class of 2019: Survey of Ordinands to the Priesthood

A Report to the Secretariat of Clergy, Consecrated Life & Vocations United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

March 2019

(selected results)

Age

On average, responding ordinands first considered priesthood when they were 16 years old. They are now scheduled for ordination 17 years later on average (at the age of 33). Responding ordinands from religious institutes are two years older than responding diocesan ordinands, on average, at the time of ordination.

How old were you when you first considered a vocation to the priesthood?
Percentage of all responding ordinands in each category

	All	Religious	Diocesan
	%	%	%
Preschool (5 or younger)	6	5	6
Elementary (6 through 13)	34	33	34
High school (14 through 17)	24	18	26
College (18 through 21)	20	29	18
Adulthood (22 or older)	16	15	16

Age When Scheduled for Ordination

Age at Ordination
Age in years

	All	Religious	Diocesan
Mean	33	35	32
Median	31	33	29
Range	24-69	26-58	24-69

31 Club

The 31 Club is a commitment by Serrans to attend Mass or say the rosary to pray for vocations on a specific day each month.

1 st Jerry Hurster	7 th Bill Condon	13 th	19 th Barbara Johnson	26 th Dawn Epping
Larry Montz	8 th	14 th June Cooper	20 th Tony Schmidt	27 th Chris Taylor
2 nd Barbara Johnson	9 th Peter LaFave	15 th Don Simoneaux	21 st	28 th Bill Larsen
3 rd Bill Crowley	Mary LaFave	16 th Darwin Hutchinson	22 nd Kathi Thompson	Dan O'Connell
4 th Meg Haerr	10 th Vicki Dean	17 th Rob & Ann Larriviere	23 rd Kathi Thompson	29 th Kay Hogan
5 th Bob Baillargeon	11 th Jim Duffy	John Fitzpatrick	24 th Ralph Armstrong	30 th
6 th John Fitzpatrick	12 th Dennis Epping	18 th Tom Demerest	25 th Mary McGraw	31 st