



# Serra Mensajero

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With great Joy The Diocese of Dallas Announces  
the Ordination of:

Rev. Mr. Michael Jayson Baynham  
Rev. Mr. Martin Castaneda  
Rev. Mr. Javier Alberto Diaz Servin

BY THE ORDER OF PRESBYTER

The Most Rev. Edward J. Burns  
Bishop Of Dallas

Saturday, 3 of June, 2017

10 A.M.

Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe  
2215 Ross Av.  
Dallas, TX 75201



Sunday, April 30  
Mass with the Seminarians  
9:15 a.m.  
Holy Trinity Seminary

Wednesday, May 3  
Installation Dinner  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Friday, May 5  
1st Friday Mass, Breakfast  
6:30 a.m.  
St. Mark's Catholic Church

Sunday, May 7  
Religious Women's Lunch  
2 p.m.  
Holy Trinity Church

Saturday, May 20th  
Transitional Diaconate Ordination  
10 a.m.  
Cathedral Shine of the Virgin of Guadalupe

Friday, June 2  
1st Friday Mass, Breakfast  
6:30 Dinner  
Canyon Creek Country Club

Saturday, June 3  
Ordination  
10 a.m.  
Cathedral Shine of the Virgin of Guadalupe

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

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Visit these Serra web sites...  
North Central Dallas Serra Club  
[www.ncdserraclub.com](http://www.ncdserraclub.com)

Serra USA Council  
[www.serraus.org](http://www.serraus.org)

### Religious Women's Appreciation Lunch

Sunday, May 7, 2:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church - Community Life Center  
Reservations are \$35/person.

Please send to:

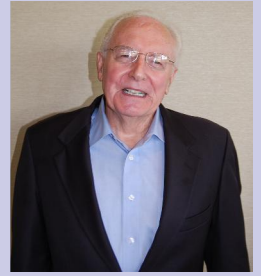
Linda Scheets, 11159 Fernald, Dallas, 75218.

If you have any questions please call [214-632-7341](tel:214-632-7341) or email [les61@att.net](mailto:les61@att.net). Deadline is May 1st.



*The President's Focus...*

## “THE SERRAN LITANY”



Recently the Presidents of 46E and 46W along with our present and future Regional Director and our District Governor's had the opportunity to meet with the Greg Schwietz, President, Serra's National Council for the United States. He spoke about "The Serran Litany. We're called: It's our Vocation". (The USA Councils of Serra International "The Serran Litany").

### “THE SERRAN LITANY”

We're committed to our Mission  
We're focused on Vocations  
We're doer's.  
We're called: It's our Vocation

What (or who) is a Serran? If you can nod your head yes to any of the statements in the proposed "Serran Litany," then you have the makings of a Serran. Through your involvement with Serra, you now more clearly see yourself to be a leader in your church, your community and your family. Your membership in a good, healthy Serra Club should be an inspiration to you; an inspiration for you to grow in your faith and in your action. Serrans are committed to a great mission.

From the early days of Serra, our founders set the course of our organization to be two-fold: 1) to affirm, encourage and foster to the priesthood and consecrated religious life; and, equally important, 2) to assist its members to grow in their Catholic faith and to bring that faith into the world for its benefit. The first of the two mighty pillars of Serra include what many of us readily identify as our mission, namely, fostering vocations

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But it is the second pillar which makes us "Serrans for a lifetime". What brings us together is our sense of spiritual growth and brotherhood with fellow Serrans. Twice monthly internal programs within Serra clubs around the world must be oriented toward spiritual growth of its members. Too many times, club meetings become more social, or what can be called "informational," rather than "inspirational." It is the belief that the glue of Serra is the spiritual camaraderie that is found and nurtured at the club level. That is why extra effort must be made to attend Serra meetings regularly. Both pillars of Serra need our full commitment.

The Serran mission is very focused and unique within the Catholic church. Only Serra has a formal charge within the Catholic hierarchy to be "The Lay Vocation Support Organization". It was established early in our existence, on May 6, 1951 by Pope Pius XII, that Serra became formally aggregated to the Church through its formal structure, the Pontifical Work of Priestly Vocations. This underscores our belief that being a Serran is a special calling, involving special work, requiring recruitment to this important mission of the best leaders found within our communities.

Serrans are doers. Sitting on the sidelines, not getting involved, or continually patting yourself on the back for past involvement is not enough. The challenges of the Church remain today and your involvement today is needed.

The greatest mistake made in recruitment is to invite good, able people to the table of Serra and not engage them in meaningful relevant activities, thinking they would catch the spirit of Serra by osmosis. Club leaders must be prepared to properly welcome new Serrans into their club and lay before them the noble work of the club engaging their immediate commitment to the club's activities. The second greatest mistake is to invite people who like what he or she hears about the mission of Serra, but cannot or will not make a time commitment to club's activities

So, our recipe for a healthy club includes the Serran Litany. We need Serrans who are leaders, people who are doers, those who say "yes!" when asked. We need those who are committed to the dual Serran mission, which is focuses on fostering religious vocations and their own spiritual growth.

It's a calling. It's a gift. It's our legacy.

Bill Crowley,

# Your 2017/18 Board Nominations

## Serra Club of North Central Dallas

	2017	2018		
President:	Jim	Duffy	469-777-3911	<a href="mailto:jpduffy320@gmail.com">jpduffy320@gmail.com</a>
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### MAY BIRTHDAYS

Dick Reed	5/11
Rob Larriviere	5/18
Bill Higgins	5/21
John Fitzpatrick	5/26



**MAY ANNIVERSARIES**  
Lou and Jean Neeb  
5/18



## Holy Trinity North Central Dallas

April 30th

Remember to bring those donuts!



**PRAY FOR THE HEALING POWER OF GOD FOR:**

Adrian Rodriguez  
Bernadette Johnson  
Leo Heiting

To: Serra Club of North Central Dallas  
Board of Trustees and Membership of Serra N.C.D.

I would like to take this opportunity to say Thank you to the Board of Trustees and the membership of Serra and the work they have accomplished over the past year and their never-ending help to the Board and me making my position a joy to serve as your president. By working together, we are committed together to the dual Serra mission, which is focuses on fostering religious vocations and their own spiritual growth.

Thank you for all you do for Serra

Bill Crowley, President  
Serra Club of North Central Dallas

**31 Club** The 31 Club is a commitment by Ser-rans to attend Mass and pray for vocations on a specific day each month. If you wish to participate in this important ministry please e-mail Hank Himmelberg at [hankhimmelberg@verizon.net](mailto:hankhimmelberg@verizon.net)

1st	Jerry Hurster	18th	Rob Larriviere
1st	Joan Heiting	18th	Ann Larriviere
1st	Ed Johnson	19th	
2nd	Dick Park	20th	Tony Schmidt
2nd	Katie Park	21st	Doug Biglen
2nd	Mike Maxwell	21st	Veronica Biglen
2nd	Dolores Maxwell	22nd	
3rd	Bill Crowley	23rd	
4th	Ida Keptner	24th	Ralph Armstrong
4th	Mike Holmes	24th	Kay Hogan
5th	Bob Baillargeon	25th	Kathi Thompson
6th	John Fitzpatrick	26th	
7th	Bill Condon	27th	Warren Schneider
8th	Lou Neeb	27th	Chris Taylor
9th	Peter LaFave	27th	Leo Heiting
9th	Mary LaFave	28th	Bill Larsen
10th	Vicki Dean	28th	Bonnie Larsen
11th	Jim Duffy	29th	
12th	Mark Venincasa	30th	Katy Warren
13th	Bruce Baumann	31st	Ron Kepner
14th	John Tromba		
15th	Don Simoneaux		
15th	Warren Schneider		
16th	Hank Himmelberg		
17th	John Fitzpatrick		

# WE ARE ENTERING MAY / JUNE, WILL YOU BE THERE?

Just a reminder, this Sunday the 30th is the date of the last scheduled Public Mass at Holy Trinity. All Ser-rans are welcome. If you can, bring a treat, their exams will start soon!

May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Serra Club of North Central Dallas, Installation dinner of New Officers and the Serran Rededication Oath. Held at Elizabeth Ann Seton Plano Starting at 6:30 PM



May 5<sup>th</sup>. First Friday Mass and Breakfast 6:30 A.M. at St. Mark.

Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. The Serra Clubs of Dallas Invite you to share in Thankful Celebration at the 2017 Religious Women's Appreciation Lunch. At Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Community Life Center, 3811 Oak Lawn, 2:00 PM -4:30 PM



World Day of Prayer for Vocations is observed on "Good Shepherd Sunday" - May 7, 2017. The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest" (Mt 9:38. Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered.

May 14<sup>th</sup>. Mother's Day



Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 10:00 A.M. [Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe the Dioceses of Dallas](#) joyfully announces the ordination of Five to Sacred Order of Deacon. The Most Reverend Edward J. Burns Bishop of Dallas.



The Serra Club of North Central Dallas will start a fresh on June 1, 2017 with a new President Jim Duffy and an exciting Board of Trustees.

Saturday June 3, 2017 at 10 A.M. Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe the Dioceses of Dallas joyfully announces Three Priests will receive their Ordination to the priesthood.

