



# DELCHESTER SERRA CLUB



June 2012

## 2012 Altar Server Project

One of the annual projects of our Club is to recognize eighth grade altar servers at the parishes in our area.

We mailed 43 parishes an invitation to have us provide certificates to their altar servers in both parish school, if applicable, and CCD or PREP programs. Forty parishes responded and, based on their requests, we provided over 550 certificates to 38 parishes.

Further involving our Club members, seven of our members helped distribute these certificates personally to the requesting parishes.

Thank you to all who took part and thanks to our altar servers!

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## Schedule for June - September 2012

June 2	Monthly 8 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Charity. Membership Meeting will follow at 8:45 a.m. in the basement Rectory Meeting Room (RMR). Our speaker will be Brian Burman, Third College Seminarian at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, who is originally from St. David parish in Willow Grove.
June 19	Officers and Trustees meeting. Our Lady of Charity parish basement Rectory Conference Room (RCR) at 7:00 p.m.
July 7	Monthly 8 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Charity. Membership Meeting will follow at 8:45 a.m. in the basement Rectory Meeting Room (RMR).
July 17	Officers and Trustees meeting. Our Lady of Charity parish basement Rectory Conference Room (RCR) at 7:00 p.m.
August 4	Monthly 8 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Charity. Membership Meeting will follow at 8:45 a.m. in the basement Rectory Meeting Room (RMR).
August 21	Officers and Trustees meeting. Our Lady of Charity parish basement Rectory Conference Room (RCR) at 7:00 p.m.
September 8	<b>NOTE CHANGE IN DATE DUE TO LABOR DAY WEEKEND</b> Monthly 8 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Charity. Membership Meeting will follow at 8:45 a.m. in the basement Rectory Meeting Room (RMR).
September 18	<b>SAVE THE DATE</b> Annual Clerical Cookout. No Officers and Trustees meeting will be held

**2012 Delchester Serra Club Charter Night**

On Sunday, May 6, fifty-eight people, including members, spouses, religious, and clergy, joined together to celebrate the 58th Charter Night of the Delchester Serra Club at the St. James Alumni house, known widely as "The Doghouse", in Eddystone.

Our Charter Night event serves many purposes. It is an opportunity for new club members to be inducted. Art Burke, Serra District Governor, performed this duty for Jim Grugan, Lynn Finnegan, and Marge Gargiule as seen in this photo.



In addition, new officers and trustees of the Club are also installed on Charter Night. Pictured here are,



from left, Margaret Flanagan, Deacon Jack Betzal, Jim Grugan, Bill Grogan, Rick Dennis, Marty Frick, and District Governor, Art Burke.

Especially significant this Charter Night was the installation of a new Club president, Dolores Lavelle. Dolores thanked all those who have helped her thus far in our Club. We



are all anxious to support her presidency as we continue to pray for and speak out about being open to vocations as well as to thank and demonstrate our appreciation for those currently in religious vocations.

Another aspect of our Charter Night is recognition of the winners of our annual essay contest for sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students, including CCD and PREP students, from area parishes. Here Auxiliary Bishop Michael J. Fitzgerald waits to present the awards as Essay Project Coordinators Natalie Pino and Judy Doolittle explain the selection process.



We are always interested to hear how our clergy and religious were called and responded to the call to their religious vocations. This year, our guest speaker, Bishop Fitzgerald, held our attention with his "vocation story". As Serra members, we were reminded that we always need to be alert to opportunities to provide food for thought among those still uncertain of their vocations in life.



Once again, the Delchester Serra Club conducted an enjoyable and thought provoking Charter Night event - hopefully energizing us all for the year to come.

**2012 - 2013 Officers**

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Vice President - Programs	Margaret Flanagan
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Vice President - Membership	Bill Murray
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**2012 - 2013 Trustees**

Deacon Jack Betzal	Jim Grugan
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