



DELCHESTER SERRA CLUB



October 2020

PLEASE NOTE THAT WE WILL RESUME OUR IN-PERSON MEETINGS ON OCTOBER 3. SEE THE SCHEDULE BELOW FOR DETAILS.

Meeting Room Change

It will be a pleasure to again meet together with our fellow Club members on October 3 at the Church of St. Joseph in Aston. Please note the following changes from when we last met in March:

- Masses are being held only in the UPPER CHURCH at this time.
- As is the case throughout our Archdiocese, masks and social distancing are required when in the Church or meeting room. If you are sick or at high risk, please do not attend.
- Please note that our meeting room after the 8:30 a.m. Saturday Mass has changed. We will now be meeting in the lower level Cabrini Meeting Room.
- In order to prevent transmission of the COVID virus, refreshments will NOT be available during out meeting.

Hope to see you on October 3.

Please keep our Delchester Serra members and their families in your prayers, especially ...

Dolores O'Malley

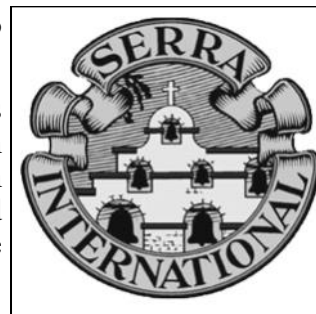
Bill Murray

Rev. Richard C. Williams, Club Chaplain

Mission San Gabriel Restoration

Have you noticed the church in the logo of Serra International at the top of our newsletter? This is Mission San Gabriel located in San Gabriel, California. It was one of the missions founded by Saint Junipero Serra in California.

On July 11, 2020, there was a fire in the church which caused heavy damage when the roof partially collapsed onto the pews of the church.



Damage to art work inside the church would have been worse but much of it had been removed due to a lengthy renovation project underway. According to a July 13, 2020 article in *Angelus*, the Catholic news site of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, the renovations were in preparation for the 250th anniversary of the Mission's founding in 1771.

Shortly after the fire, the Serra International Foundation initiated the Mission San Gabriel Restoration Fund. In the absence of meetings, our officers confirmed by email a donation to this restoration fund.

This donation was mailed on September 24.

REMINDER: Annual dues notices were sent out last month. You may bring payments to our October 3 meeting or mail them to Treasurer, Jim Grugan.

Schedule for October 2020 - November 2020

October 3	Monthly Mass 8:30 a.m. at the Church of St. Joseph, Aston - Upper Church . Membership meeting will follow at 9:00 a.m. in the Cabrini Meeting Room, Lower Level. Officers and Trustees meeting will immediately follow the Membership meeting.
November 7	Monthly Mass 8:30 a.m. at the Church of St. Joseph, Aston - Upper Church . Membership meeting will follow at 9:00 a.m. in the Cabrini Meeting Room, Lower Level. Officers and Trustees meeting will immediately follow the Membership meeting.