



DELCHESTER SERRA CLUB



May 2024

NOTE: NO REGULAR MONTHLY MASS AND MEETING IN MAY 2024

PADRE SERRA SAYS:

Jesus called each one of us to a vocation, not just our priests and religious. Our Church needs committed lay ministers to spread the Gospel in our world.

Some of us have heard the Word of God preached by lay ministers at a special time of year in our parishes. Some of our parishes may have lay pastoral associates who administer the parish because there is no full-time priest/pastor.

Most of us encounter lay ministers of the Eucharist at our Sunday celebrations, as lectors and altar servers. Many of the homebound are regularly visited by lay ministers of care who pray the Scriptures with them and distribute Communion. These are but a few of the ministries that lay people are called to.

Ask yourself - how can I serve? Do you have your "shoulder to the wheel?" Are you "pulling an oar in the ship of our Church?" Can you befriend the lonely, visit the sick, assist the elderly, prepare and give homilies? If so, sound off. Let us inform our pastors of the talents we are ready to freely offer to serve our parish.

Christ said, "I came to serve, not to be served." How about you?

Serra for priestly and religious vocations

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Do you consider yourself an informed Catholic?

Think hard. How do you perceive the meaning of Christ, the nature of the Church and the Church's relationship to the world? When is the last time you read, discussed or listened to Scripture, ethics, Church history, spirituality or doctrine, other than at Mass?

Heavy? Not very. While you don't need to do the course work leading to a master's degree in theology, you should learn enough to be a very informed Catholic. You should have some beliefs on these perceptions based upon your reading, your study and your dialogue with other Catholics.

In *The Responsible Person in Society*, Fr. John Pawlikowski, OSM, a professor of social ethics, asks the reader: "What sets apart the moral vision of Christians in general and of Catholics in particular? Who is the Christian, according to this moral tradition? What kind of person is the Christian called to become? How are the principles of Catholic and Christian moral theology applicable in daily life and to specific dilemmas and conflict situations?"

Pray for vocations.

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Please keep our current and deceased Delchester Serra Members and their families in your prayers.

Continue to pray for religious vocations



Schedule for May 2024 - June 2024

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| May 11 | NO MONTHLY MASS OR MEETING THIS MONTH. |
| June 1 | 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 Neumann Meeting Room - Lower Level . Officers and Trustees meeting will immediately follow the Membership meeting. |