

SERRA CLUB OF LOUISVILLE --- WHAT DO WE DO?

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Shaded items indicate where we spend dues.

Also, 42% of member dues are used to support the USA Council of Serra as well as Serra International.

- 1) Pray for vocations and promote prayers by others
- 2) Interact with and provide support to the Louisville Archdiocesan Vocation Office
- 3) Send a Serra member to participate on the Archdiocesan Planting Seeds Committee
- 4) Help finance / sponsor the Archdiocesan Men's Conference
- 5) Help finance / sponsor the Archdiocesan Women's Conference
- 6) Help finance / sponsor the annual Clergy Appreciation Day
- 7) Help coordinate the Archdiocesan Vocation Poster and Essay Contests for grade schoolers
- 8) Organize an annual Christmas luncheon for senior women religious
- 9) Sponsor an annual luncheon for our seminarians before they go back to school in August
- 10) Promote Vocation Action Committees (VACs) – aka Vocation Awareness Committees
- 11) Finance the annual publication of a prayer card with pictures of all our seminarians.
- 12) Promote the spiritual formation of members through regular meetings, usually twice each month, with different speakers every meeting (including the Director of Vocations, the Archbishop, priests, women religious, deacons, seminarians, missionaries, campus ministers, directors of Catholic charitable organizations, etc.)
- 13) Send annual congratulation cards to every priest in the diocese on the anniversary of his ordination
- 14) Send birthday cards to our seminarians
- 15) Disseminate vocation information, through parishes and the Archdiocesan Vocation Office, prepared by the national office of Serra
- 16) Send representatives to regional, national, and international Serra conventions
- 17) Promote the Adopt-A-Priest and Adopt-A-Seminarian programs
- 18) Promote the Traveling Chalice and Traveling Crucifix programs in parishes and schools
- 19) Assist the Archdiocesan Vocation Office in distributing information about, and encouraging recognition of
 - World Day for Consecrated Life (WDCL) - the Sunday coincident with or immediately following Feb 2 (the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord)
 - National Catholic Sisters Week (NCSW) - celebrated March 8 – 14 each year, regardless of the day of the week on which March 8 falls
 - World Day of Prayer for Vocations (WDPV) - the fourth Sunday after Easter each year – aka Good Shephard Sunday
 - Priesthood Sunday - the last Sunday of September each year
 - National Vocation Awareness Week (NVAW) - the week beginning on the first Sunday in November each year
- 20) Encourage people to send cards, letters, emails, and gifts to our seminarians
- 21) Distribute a monthly newsletter to members and others in the Archdiocese
- 22) Promote the Newman Connection, which keeps college students in touch with parishes near their college and on-campus Catholic ministers
- 23) Host monthly Holy Hours for Vocations and a monthly Club Rosary for Vocations
- 24) Support the Archdiocesan Clergy Appreciation Day, usually in June
- 25) Have member retreats some years, as well as visits to seminaries