Byzantine Catholic Serra Club



"Our mission...

...is to foster, affirm, promote and support, by prayer and deed, vocations to the priestly and diaconal ministries and to the consecrated life, in the Byzantine Catholic Church."

Wednesday, October 16, 2013 6:00 p.m. Dinner Meeting Crowne Plaza-South

OCTOBER 2013 NEWSLETTER

October 16 Dinner Meeting - Our guest speaker will be Subdeacon John Russell. Three GCU representatives from District One will also be in attendance for a special presentation.

Dinner meeting times remain unchanged at 6:30 p.m. They will continue to be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Fort Couch Road across from the South Hills Village. The menu has been set for our October Dinner meeting. Featured entrée choices will be: Chicken Marsala or English Scrod. The dinner will include salad, roasted red skin potatoes, a medley of vegetables, strawberry cheesecake and the usual accompaniments.

If you are planning to attend, please call either Frank Chiprich (724) 258-7122 or Rich Trankocy (412) 672-4665 by Sunday, October 13, 2013. Cost of the dinner is \$25.00, and donations to cover the expenses of our guest are gratefully appreciated.

We will have a discussion at the Dinner Meeting about attending and sitting as a Club at the St. Nicholas Banquet.

Annual Memorial Liturgy and Welcome Back Brunch -On Sunday, September 8th, St. Pius X Parish graciously hosted our Annual Memorial Liturgy for priests, religious and Serrans who have fallen asleep in the Lord during the past year and the brunch that followed in the parish hall.

BLIND BAG AUCTION! Bill Kress was auctioneer, so we will all had a good time!

The Seminarians, our honored guests, were first to hit the chow line (right) Michael lights up when told he can use the solar light for Otpust! (below left) The Barone's grandson, Brendon, discovered that one of his brown bags contained a haul of snacks! (below right)







<u>OTPUST!</u> – We had an informational table set up at Mt. St. Macrina during the annual Labor Day Weekend pilgrimage. Sorry to say, there are no pictures available for the crew that manned the table.

October 2 Board Meeting – Frank Chiprich, Pat Bovee, Rich Trankocy, Joe Warhola, Bill Kress, John Tomko, Father Valerian and Gerry Rhoads attended. Frank received information from the GCU that they desired to support the Serra Club mission with a check. Also the Board discussed sitting together as a group at the St. Nicholas Dinner. Rich gave the Treasurer's Report.

<u>A Heartfelt Thanks</u> – to all who donated money for vestment fabric for John Russell and a cassock for Ken Malley. Here's a picture of Subdeacon John with his vestment.

Calendar of Events

October 16 – 6:30 p.m. Dinner Meeting, Crowne Plaza November 6 – 6:30 p.m. Board Meeting, St. Gregory's November 20 – 6:30 p.m. Dinner Meeting, Crowne Plaza December 4 – 6:30 p.m. Board Meeting, St. Gregory's December 11 – 6:30 p.m. Christmas Party, Crowne Plaza

Extended Dates

Board Meetings: January 8, February 5, March 6 (Thursday), April 3, May 7 and June 4

Meetings/Events: January 22, February 19, March 15 – Saturday Lenten Day of Reflection, April 23, May 18 – Clergy Appreciation Dinner, June 18 – Induction of New Members

