
When Fr. Maynard Geiger wrote his magisterial biography of Junípero Serra, he had to confront what he called some “seemingly unconquerable legends,” such as that Serra always walked and never rode in his journeys through California. In the many decades since Geiger’s volumes appeared, the legends have only multiplied. In this special lecture, historian Robert M. Senkewicz will dig through the legends to discover a man whose life was focused on his religious vocation and his relationships with the various indigenous peoples he encountered in the Americas.

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