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Davenport, IA 52804

SERRA CLUB OF DAVENPORT

DECEMBER 2016

MISSION STATEMENT: *To foster and affirm vocations to the Ministerial Priesthood and vowed religious life in the USA and through this ministry, further our members' common Catholic faith.*

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Letter from Bill Barrett, President

Greetings!

We had a very enjoyable Thanksgiving Gala. About 20 priests, 20 sisters and a couple of Deacons and their wives were able to attend as well as a great dinner and show. We hope we are able to expand for next year!

Our Lord's Birthday celebration is coming upon us quickly, the beginning of our Catholicism. It is a great time for reflection on the past year and review how we can better serve our Lord next year.

We have a great opportunity to ASK anyone we meet about a religious vocation if you feel they have the right qualifications. Please keep that in mind. We are looking for more shepherds to continue bringing God's message to the flock.

Thank you again for your vocation and have a Blessed Holyday Season.
Bill Barrett
President, Serra Club of Davenport

Letter from Fr. Thom Hennen, Director of Vocations

Dear Serrans,

I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving. Speaking of thanksgiving, thank you to all who attended our Inaugural Vocations Appreciation Gala on Nov. 18. It was a wonderful gathering. We had about 100 guests, some great food, and a lot of fun. Also, thank you to all who helped in the preparation, planning and set up for this event. We hope to build off of this good success to create greater awareness of the mission of the Serra Club and to show our appreciation for those priests, deacons and religious who serve us.

As we now enter into the season of Advent, we wait with expectant joy our celebration of the Savior's birth. May the spirit of this season and the Christmas season to follow fill you hearts with peace.

In Christ,
Fr. Hennen

FIRST FRIDAY MASS - DEC. 2, 2016

Rosary for our Bishop's intentions & Serra Club's prayers: 6:40 a.m.
Leader of the Rosary:
John Stratman

Mass: 7:00 a.m.
Celebrant: Bishop Martin Amos
Reader: Peg Beaudry

CATHOLIC MESSENGER NEWS

- Vocations is a team sport: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/11/vocations-is-a-team-sport/>
- Former seminarian professes simple vows: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/11/marie-professes-simple-vows/>
- Call to vocations turns Mallory's life around: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/11/call-to-vocations-turns-mallorys-life-around/>
- Holy Doors close as the Year of Mercy ends: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/11/holy-doors-close-as-year-of-mercy-ends/>
- Bishop Amos reflects on a decade in the Diocese of Davenport: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/11/bishop-amos-reflects-on-a-decade-in-the-diocese-of-davenport/>
- In their own words: the impact of Bishop Amos: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/11/in-their-own-words-the-impact-of-bishop-amos/>
- Catholic perspective on end of life issues: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/11/catholic-perspective-on-end-of-life-issues/>
- Veteran's Day focuses on the cost of freedom: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/11/veterans-day-focuses-on-the-cost-of-freedom/>
- Chancery Hours Change: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/11/chancery-hours-change/>

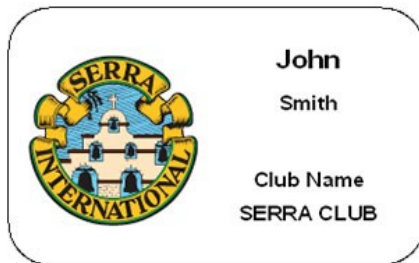
ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES - DECEMBER

Steve Witt, 12/15/12; Ed Fitzpatrick, 12/18/70; Robert Shortall, 12/27/74

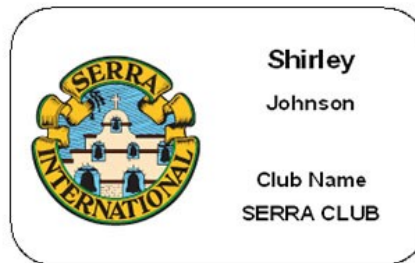
NAME BADGES AVAILABLE THROUGH SERRA STORE

For those who would like to share their Serra membership through a name badge, these are available through the Serra Store. Here is the link: <https://www.serrastore.org/store/product/SINB-1> These badges are available for \$10 each, plus shipping and handling. The website walks you through entering your

names, up to nine per order. They are available with either a magnetic clasp or a pin clasp, shown on the right.



Magnetic Clasp



Pin/Clip Clasp

Sometimes there can be a high demand in these name tags, so if you are interested, ordering sooner rather than later would be a good idea. While you're there, check out the other amazing products in the Serra Store!

SAVE THE DATE

Business Meeting

December 21st, St. Vincent's, 7PM Please note the change to Wednesdays!