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# SERRA CLUB OF DAVENPORT

NOVEMBER 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!

November brings us Thanksgiving and we'd like to thank all of you for your Vocations. We've all been blessed in so many different ways Thanks to Our Lord.

Please keep your eyes and ears open for our next wave of shepherds and then ASK them if they've ever considered a religious vocation. You could be the one to plant that seed.

We hope you'll be able to attend our gala of thanksgiving for our priests, deacons and religious on Nov.18th at the Outing Club. It should be a enjoyable evening. Please send your response if you haven't yet, or contact the Vocations Office.

May God bless you and your works.  
Bill Barrett  
President, Serra Club of Davenport

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## *Letter from Fr. Thom Hennen, Director of Vocations*

Dear Serrans,

I'm not sure why, but the months of October and May have always seemed busier to me. I think it is because we tend to adapt our lives to the school calendar and, by October schools, parish programs, etc. are running "full speed ahead," and by May we are scrambling to get everything wrapped up before summer (when no one can do anything, of course). How interesting that these two months are also especially devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary in our Catholic devotional life. It's like God knew we would need some extra help during these two months. Anyway, November is now upon us and with that we look forward to our Inaugural Vocations Appreciation Gala. We have had similar events around this time in the past (originally closer to Christmas and then moving to November a few years ago), but we are trying some new things this year to make it really special. I hope many of you can join us at the Outing Club on Friday, November 18. I hope you are enjoying the beautiful Fall weather and may you have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

God bless,  
Fr. Hennen

## FIRST FRIDAY MASS - NOV. 4, 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

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## **CATHOLIC MESSENGER NEWS**

- Clinton Franciscans to present Clare award: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/09/clinton-franciscans-to-present-clare-award/>
- New shrine urges visitors to ‘pray for one another’: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/10/new-shrine-urges-cemetery-visitors-to-pray-for-one-another/>
- Respec Life Month Kickoff: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/10/catholics-kick-off-40-days-for-life-respect-life-month/>
- Celebrating 50 years of marriage, living the vocation: <https://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/10/26004/>
- White Mass touches on end-of-life decisions: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/10/white-mass-touches-on-end-of-life-decisions/>
- The art of altar linens: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/10/learning-the-art-of-making-altar-linens/>
- New lay ecclesial ministers take their next steps: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/10/new-lay-ecclesial-ministers-gain-knowledge-confidence/>
- Catholic Worker House opens in Iowa City: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/10/catholic-worker-house-opens-in-iowa-city/>
- Encourage group begins in the Diocese: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/10/encourage-group-begins-in-diocese/>
- Cinderella’s Cellar prepare for open house: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/10/cinderellas-cellar-prepares-for-open-house/>

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## **ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES – OCTOBER**

Francis Odoom, 11/12/05; Joe Roost, 11/25/89

Please use this opportunity to thank all those priests, deacons, and religious who have impacted your faith life!

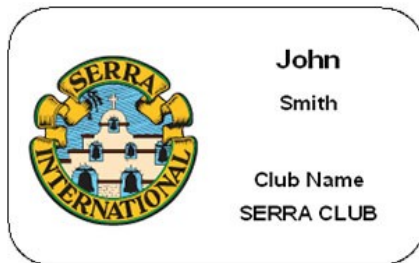
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## **NAME BADGES AVAILABLE THROUGH SERRA STORE**

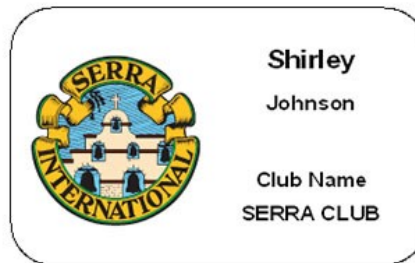
For those who would like to share their Serra membership through a name badge, these are available through the Serra Store. Here is the link: <https://www.serrastore.org/store/product/SINB-1> These badges are available for \$10 each, plus shipping and handling. The website walks you through entering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

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

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!



Magnetic Clasp



Pin/Clip Clasp

### **SAVE THE DATE**

#### **Business Meeting**

November 16, St. Vincent’s, 7PM  
Please note the change to Wednesdays!

### **Vocations Gala– November 18, 2106**

Mass and Dinner at the Outing Club  
RSVP to [vocations@davenportdiocese.org](mailto:vocations@davenportdiocese.org) or  
563-888-4378.