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Davenport, IA 52804

# SERRA CLUB OF DAVENPORT

SEPTEMBER 2017

**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 and thank you for your vocations.

We had a great Summer Gathering with over 40 in attendance, and thank you for coming.

Remember November 10th is our Thanksgiving Gala and we look forward to seeing you all there! If you think of anyone to invite, please let me know and we'll get them added to the list.

Keep praying for vocations and keep your eyes open for new prospects.

Have a great fall.

May God bless you  
Bill Barrett, President  
Serra Club of Davenport

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

Dear Serrans,

After 3 moves this summer (out of my Assumption classroom into my office at SAU, from apartment at the Chancery to my house closer to campus, and from my office at the Chancery to a slightly smaller office 2 doors down), I think I am starting to feel a little more settled.

Most of our seminarians are already starting to settle down again at their respective seminaries. Soon the routine of the academic year will begin and, I hope, that will bring with it some peace and normalcy. Of course, it never hurts to get shaken up every now and then.

I hope this summer has been a time of true "re-creation" for you. It was wonderful to see many of you at our picnic this past month. Planning is well underway for our November gathering (2nd Annual Vocations Appreciation Gala), so stay tuned. As always, thanks for your prayerful support!

God bless,  
Fr. Thom

## FIRST FRIDAY MASS – SEPT. 1ST ST. ANN'S

First Friday Masses will be moving parish to parish.

September 1st will be at 8:30 AM Mass at

St. Ann's Catholic Church  
16550 290th St,  
Long Grove, IA 52756

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## Welcome to the 2017 Serra Region 9 Convention

Serra is an international Catholic Lay organization dedicated to fostering and supporting Priesthood and Religious Vocations.

THEME: Inspire! Ignite! Engage!

WHEN: October 20 to October 22, 2017 (Friday evening through Sunday morning)

WHERE: Omaha Marriott, 10220 Regency Circle, Omaha, NE 68114 402-399-9000

Marriott Reservation Website: Book your group rate for Serra International

Room rate until September 30, 2017: \$ 99.00 + taxes (Free Parking on-site.) WHO: Serrans from Region 9 (Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma), as well as Serrans from states surrounding Region 9, are encouraged to attend. Catholics who are not Serrans but have an interest in fostering and supporting religious vocations are also invited to attend.

REGISTRATION FEE: Entire weekend - \$150.00 per person (includes all sessions and all meals —Friday - dinner, Saturday - breakfast, lunch and dinner, and Sunday -breakfast, as well as coffee and snacks at program breaks).

REGISTRATION: Registrations are due by October 1. A registration form is enclosed and online registration is also available at the website, [www.serrainternational.org](http://www.serrainternational.org).

HOST: Serra Club of West Omaha, Serra Club of Omaha and Serra Club of Council Bluffs, IA

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Information on the convention will be constantly updated on the website until the convention begins.

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### **CATHOLIC MESSENGER NEWS**

- Fr. Hennen returns to SAU: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2017/08/fr-hennen-returns-to-sau/>
- Sister Emily's Vocation: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2017/08/sister-emilys-vocation/>
- Long-time scout serves as Jamboree chaplain: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2017/08/long-time-scout-serves-as-jamboree-chaplain/>
- Celebrating sisters' vows: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2017/08/celebrating-sisters-vows/>
- Natural Family Planning Awareness Week: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2017/07/natural-family-planning-awareness-week-couples-share-their-stories/>
- Love never fails, Spanish-speakers from across the country attend marriage and family conference: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2017/08/love-never-fails-spanish-speakers-from-across-the-country-attend-marriage-and-family-conference/>

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### **ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES - SEPTEMBER**

No ordination anniversaries in September. Please take this time to pray for all vocations!

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

##### **Business Meeting**

August 16, St. Vincent's, 7PM.

##### **Thanksgiving Gala**

Friday, November 10th, Mass at 5:30