



# Serra Mensajero

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**Friday, February 3**  
1st Friday Mass, Breakfast  
6:30 a.m.  
St. Mark's Catholic Church

**Monday, February 20**  
Monthly Dinner Meeting  
6:30 Dinner  
Canyon Creek Country Club

**Wednesday, March 1st**  
Lent Starts

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Canyon Creek Country Club

**Sunday, April 2**  
Mass with the Seminarians  
9:15 a.m.  
Holy Trinity Seminary

**Saturday, May 20th**  
Transitional Diaconate Ordination  
10 a.m. Cathedral of Guadeloupe

*Serra Mensajero* is the North Central Dallas monthly newsletter which reports activities, provides news to members and supports Club goals.

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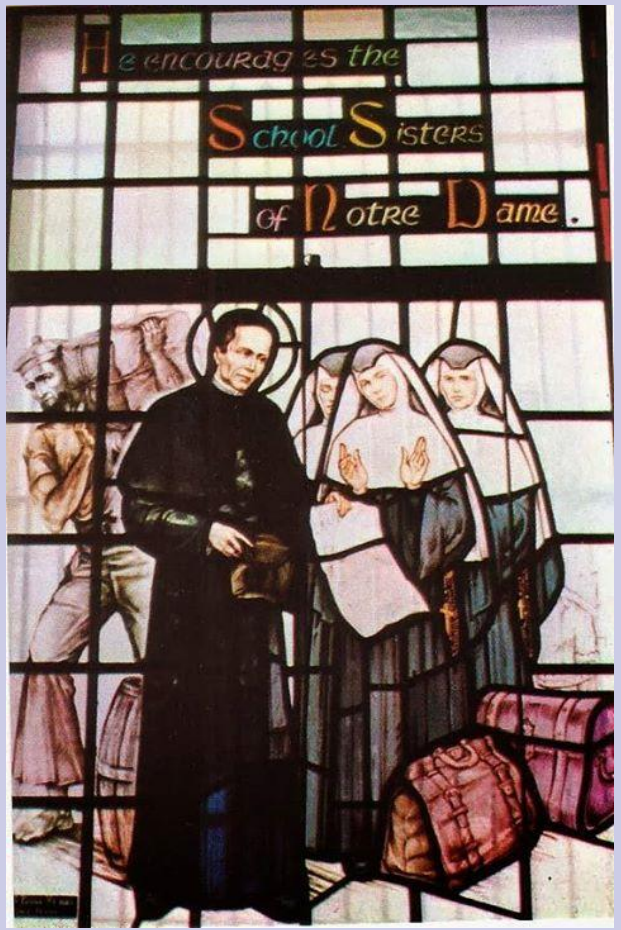
## Sister Bridget Waldorf, Sisters of Notre Dame



Sister Bridget grew up in Minnesota and just moved to the Dallas area this past July. She talked to the group about Christian discipleship.

The call to Christian discipleship is always present. It is referenced in vocation programs, Catholic churches, retreats, schools, and many other things. Christian Discipleship harkens back to the bible story where Jesus is telling Simon and his brother Andrew casting their net into the ocean. He tells them to drop their nets and follow Him and He would make them fish for people.

Two books Sister Bridget referenced was The Joy of the Gospel by Pope Francis and Forming Intentional Disciples by Sherry A. Weddell.

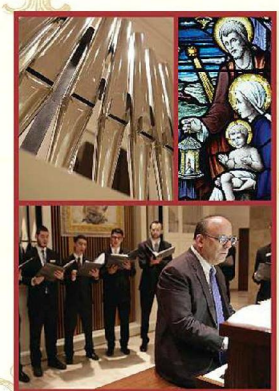


## UPCOMING EVENT AT HOLY TRINITY SEMINARY

### UPCOMING SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY

Fr. Randy Gibbens

Fr. Gibbens was born and raised in New Orleans, a 1995 grad of Jesuit High School New Orleans. He studied agronomy at Texas A&M and worked for a golf course construction company for a couple of years before entering the Jesuits. While in Jesuit formation, he taught at Jesuit High in Tampa and was ordained in 2015. The first year was as a priest in rural Honduras (Yoro) before beginning his job as vocation promoter for the Central and Southern Province of the Jesuits.



### The Joy of Music

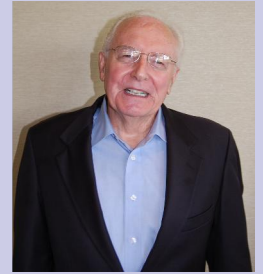
Please join us in the Chapel of Holy Trinity Seminary at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 12 for a concert featuring the musical talent of our seminarians! They will perform works by several famous composers, including Ralph Vaughan Williams, Johann Sebastian Bach, and Frederic Chopin.

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Reception to follow.

*The President's Focus...*

## Behind the Scenes



Wow we are coming into February 2017 and the N.C.D, Club has a lot working behind the scenes getting ready to come forth for Spring.

In following the Club's "Policies and Procedures Manual" the Board of Trustees has worked to fill the officer roster with nominees for the next year. (June 1, 2017 – May 31, 2018)

The following officer slate will be presented to the Serra Membership at our February 20<sup>th</sup> Dinner Meeting at C.C.C.C. for a vote of acceptance to fulfill their new positions for our new fiscal year. They will be inducted at our May Installation of officers meeting. Information to follow.

The Serra Club of North Central Dallas has a stellar slate for our new fiscal year.

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On behalf of the Board of Trustees I would like to say thank you to these members in stepping forward to fill the positions they have chosen and making the "Serra Club of North Central Dallas" a powerful force to carry out our main objective:

To foster and promote vocations to the ministerial priesthood in the Catholic Church as a vocation to service and to support priests in their sacred ministry.

Please pray for vocations.

Bill Crowley, President  
Serra Club of North Central Dallas





HTS seminarians who are on their way to Washington, D.C. for the National March for Life! (left to right: Steven Chabarria, Diocese of Tyler; Chase Johnson, Diocese of Wichita; Erik Roman and Matthew Curley, Diocese of Charleston)

Laughing Matters

**When God Sends Help, Don't Ask Questions**

She hurried to the pharmacy to pick up the medication. When she got back to the car, she found her keys locked inside.

The woman found an old rusty coat hanger on the ground. She looked at it and said, "I don't know how to use this."

She bowed her head and asked God to send her some help.

Within five minutes an old motorcycle pulled up, driven by a bearded man who was wearing an old biker skull rag. He got off his cycle and asked if he could help.

She said, "Yes, my husband is sick. I've locked my keys in my car. I must get home. Please, can you use this hanger to unlock my car?"

He said, "Sure." He walked over to the car, and in less than a minute the car was open.

She hugged the man and through tears said, "Thank you, God, for sending me such a very nice man."

The man heard her little prayer and replied, "Lady, I am not a nice man. I just got out of prison yesterday; I was in prison for car theft."

The woman hugged the man again, sobbing, "Oh thank you, God!" You even sent me a professional!"

**UPCOMING SPEAKERS**

- February Fr. Randy Gibbens
- March Matthew Vereceke
- April Fr. Tom Cloherty

**PRAY FOR THE HEALING POWER OF GOD FOR:**

- Mary LaFave
- Bernadette Johnson
- Leo Heiting
- Jerry Hurster



**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

**Dennis Eppigng 2/4**

**FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES**  
Warren and Mary Eveyn Schneider  
2/4

**Bill and Merle Condon**  
2/16

**Dan and Michele O'Connell**  
2/25

**31 Club** The 31 Club is a commitment by Ser-rans to attend Mass and pray for vocations on a specific day each month. If you wish to participate in this important ministry please e-mail Hank Himmelberg at [hankhimmelberg@verizon.net](mailto:hankhimmelberg@verizon.net)

1st	Jerry Hurster	18th	Rob Larriviere
1st	Joan Heiting	18th	Ann Larriviere
1st	Ed Johnson	19th	
2nd	Dick Park	20th	Tony Schmidt
2nd	Katie Park	21st	Doug Biglen
2nd	Mike Maxwell	21st	Veronica Biglen
2nd	Dolores Maxwell	22nd	
3rd	Bill Crowley	23rd	
4th	Ida Keptner	24th	Ralph Armstrong
4th	Mike Holmes	24th	Kay Hogan
5th	Bob Baillargeon	25th	Kathi Thompson
6th	John Fitzpatrick	26th	
7th	Bill Condon	27th	Warren Schneider
8th	Lou Neeb	27th	Chris Taylor
9th	Peter LaFave	27th	Leo Heiting
9th	Mary LaFave	28th	Bill Larsen
10th	Vicki Dean	28th	Bonnie Larsen
11th	Jim Duffy	29th	
12th	Mark Venincasa	30th	Katy Warren
13th	Bruce Baumann	31st	Ron Kepner
14th	John Tromba		
15th	Don Simoneaux		
15th	Warren Schneider		
16th	Hank Himmelberg		
17th	John Fitzpatrick		

**Holy Trinity North Central Dallas Dates**

April 2nd

Remember to bring those donuts!



**HOLY TRINITY SEMINARY**

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