



# The MESSAGE

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## Creating and sustaining a culture of vocations



Photo courtesy of Father Tyler Tenbarge, special to The Message  
The Father Deydier House of Discernment's chapel has become a daily refuge of peace — and a source of clarity — for house residents and other young-adult discerners. Here, residents and a guest make an evening Holy Hour in November before the Blessed Sacrament.



Photo by Serra Club member Terri Barnes, special to The Message  
The House of Discernment welcomed the parents and siblings of house residents Nov. 23 for a Thanksgiving meal. The Serra Club of the Diocese of Evansville cooked and served the meal.

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Special to The Message

It has been another fruitful and encouraging fall for vocations in our diocese. Our decades-high brotherhood of 16 seminarians are wrapping up their fall semesters at St. Meinrad Seminary, Bishop Simon Bruté Seminary, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary and the North American College. We hope you have enjoyed reading their stories about the Eucharist in **The Message** and on our "Evansville Vocations" Facebook Page these past few months.

Our Savio community, now in its fifth year of forming disciples and facilitating discernment for teenage guys, saw its largest gathering ever in August: 135 young men from more than a third of our parishes. Hosting

that many guys in one house is not easy, though. So, we have temporarily limited attendance at Sunday Night gatherings to eighth through 12th grade guys. Faith formation topics this fall included marriage, the Pro-Life movement and natural law.

The Dubois County site for Savio also continues to grow. Twice this fall,

more than two dozen teenagers from the greater East Deanery gathered for pizza, football, basketball and hanging out — followed by faith formation and prayer at St. Joseph Parish in Jasper.

"Siena," launched this summer, is a sisterhood for teenage girls. They also have held monthly gatherings from

July until now. Modeled after the diocesan "Savio" brotherhood, these girls have been gathering at St. John the Evangelist Parish in Daylight for prayer, formation and community. More information can be obtained by signing up for email updates at [www.EvansvilleVocations.org/Siena](http://www.EvansvilleVocations.org/Siena).

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### Wishing Mary Kaye, Chris and Janet well!

Bishop Joseph M. Siegel, standing at left, presents a gift to Mary Kaye Falcony, assistant director of the Office of Catechesis, who is retiring soon after 32 years of service to the Church in the Diocese of Evansville, including the past eight years in her role with the Office of Catechesis. Also shown in the photo is Mary Kaye's husband, Joe, seated at left, and daughter Lynn, in the foreground at right. Bishop Siegel celebrated Mass Dec. 1 in the chapel of Sarto Retreat House on the Catholic Center campus in Evansville, and Mass was followed by a lunch for Mary Kaye, and Chris and Janet Hoehn, who also are retiring. Chris served 36 years as director of the Newman Ministry at the University of Southern Indiana; Janet, her sister, has served in a support role for the USI Newman Ministry for the past 18 years. Chris and Janet were unable to attend due to illness, but will be recognized in person at a later date. Thanks to Mary Kaye, Chris and Janet for your service to the diocese. Prayerful best wishes!



The Message photo by Tim Lilley

### Trivia Night at Corpus Christi

Jeremy Goebel, standing at left, Diocesan Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, serves as MC for the Dec. 1 Trivia Night hosted by Corpus Christi Parish in Evansville. All young adults are invited to the next Trivia Night, which is scheduled for Jan. 5, 2023, at Holy Redeemer Parish in Evansville. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. CST, and trivia will begin at 7 p.m. CST. There is no cover charge, and snacks will be provided.



Submitted photo