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Dave Boven, OStJ, is an educator living in Southwest Michigan. Originally from the Chicago area and still connected to the city, he's now spending time in the country with his wife, four kids, and one Golden Retriever. He graduated from Calvin College in Michigan with a teaching degree in history and continued with graduate degrees in education from Concordia University Chicago and the University of London before completing doctoral work at Loyola University.

Dave has taught around the world, joining the staff at prestigious international schools in Europe and Asia. His teaching assignments have included a variety of institutions from the urban to the rural and from middle school up to graduate school. In his professional capacity, he has also been involved in coaching several sports and other extracurricular activities from basketball to Model UN. Outside of school, he is a member of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary and president of the American Heraldry Society.

With a long-standing interest in medieval history, it wasn't a big jump to involvement in an organization like the Order of St John. Dave was first appointed to the Order as an Esquire (Grade VI) in 2005. He is currently serving on the Chivalry and Heraldry Committee, the Communications Committee—where he helps manage the Priory's social media presence—and the Young Members Committee. He has also been active in the service of the Priory in the Chicago area through the St John Volunteer Corps. Being a part of the Order of St John has truly given him an opportunity to live out his faith in the service of others. Recognizing and honoring humanity in our lords, the sick and poor, with dignity has been a humbling and fulfilling experience.