

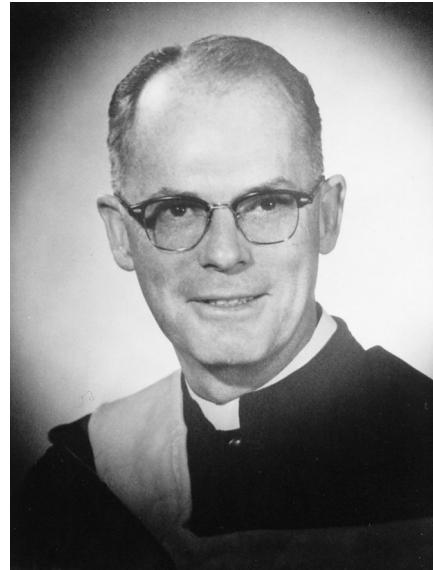
Legacy Project

December 25th

Brother Francis Assisi (Paul) Davis, C.S.C.

born: 29 September 1908

died: 25 December 1987



Francis was born in Cincinnati but grew up in Indianapolis. He spent two years as a 'Minim' at the University of Notre Dame's grammar school. He graduated from Cathedral High and joined Holy Cross in 1928 at Watertown. He went to the novitiate at Notre Dame, and made his first vows in 1930. He studied and earned his bachelor's degree in 1934. He began his teaching career in New Orleans and then at Central Catholic High in Fort Wayne. He attended Catholic University in Washington, D.C. earning a master's degree in 1941. He went to California to teach in Sherman Oaks and Long Beach for 12 years. He became the principal and superior at St. Anthony High for 6 years. He came back to the Midwest to teach for 11 years at Cathedral High. He then taught at LeMans Academy in Rolling Prairie. Francis had a no-nonsense and humorous style of teaching. His good humor and ability to see the positive side of life were an inspiration to his community members. Francis had a talent for renovating old furniture. In 1976, Francis came to Dujarie House with symptoms of failing mental health, and lacked the ability to communicate as he had done so skillfully for many years.

Your work will come to light and test the quality of the effort.

-- 1 Corinthians 3:13

*People are always good company when they are doing
what they really enjoy.*

-- Samuel Butler