

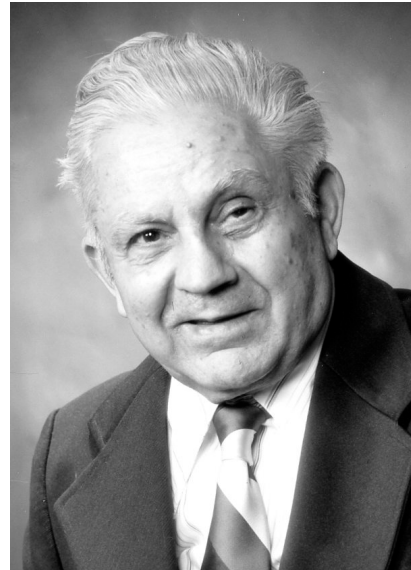
Legacy Project

September 20th

Brother Alfred (John) Grilli, C.S.C.

born: 22 January 1911

died: 20 September 1995



Alfred was born in Chicago attended schools there. After graduation he worked as a bookkeeper and joined the Holy Cross community in 1937. He went to Watertown and pronounced his first vows in 1938. He studied at Notre Dame, earned his bachelor's degree in 1942. His first assignment was in his home town where he taught at Holy Trinity for 7 years. He went to summer schools at Gregg College and Catholic University and earned a master's degree at the Vandercook School of Music in 1950. He was assigned to teach in New Orleans where he was the director of the band and glee club. In 1966 he returned to Holy Trinity, again teaching and directing the band until 1987. Alfred served Holy Trinity for a total of 40 years, the last 20, as the treasurer of the school. He was familiar with all band instruments, strings, woodwinds, brass and percussion. Alfred's disposition was admired by all in the community. Where some saw sadness or criticism, he had a way of seeing the sunnier side, believing that things are not as bad as they appear. He retired to Columba Hall in 1987 after many years of devoted service and energy.

A cheerful heart lights up the face.

-- Proverbs 15:13

*The sun does not shine for a few trees and flowers,
but for the wide world's joy. -- Henry Ward Beecher*