

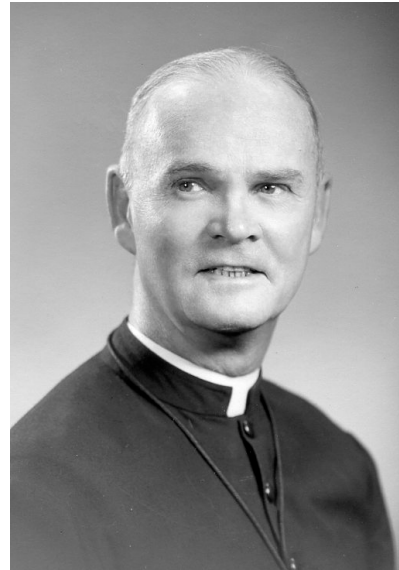
## *Legacy Project*

**April 23<sup>rd</sup>**

### **Brother Giles (John) Martin, C.S.C.**

*born: 10 February 1909*

*died: 23 April 2000*



Giles was born in Youngstown, Ohio and attended school there. He worked for a time at a steel company. After seeing an ad in the *Our Sunday Visitor* he decided to become a Brother. He joined Holy Cross in 1930, made first profession in 1931. He earned Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Physics and Mathematics at Notre Dame. At his 50th Jubilee, Giles remarked, "This is the perfect life for me." He had never been sick enough to miss work in his entire life. And what a busy life he led --- nearly 40 years in the classroom teaching math and science courses in Albany, Fort Wayne, Terre Haute, Watertown, Indianapolis, Biloxi, Evansville, Lakewood, Gates Mills, Sekondi, Ghana, and Akron. He was the principal at Cathedral High in Indianapolis for 3 years and assistant director at Gibault for 2 years. Giles was a proficient athlete and an avid football and baseball fan. Though qualified to retire, he was far from throwing in the towel. For 12 years at Gilmour Academy he did yeoman service answering the telephone after school hours, overseeing the AV equipment, delivering mail and tutoring students in math. When he did "retire" to Columba Hall in 1987, he continued doing the same extra-curricular activities there. Giles always had a ready smile and cheerful disposition. One wrote of him: 'Seventy years I've known this man, his merry smile warmed me as nothing else can.'

*Each must do as already determined, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

**-- 2 Corinthians 9:7**

*A man of God, may he always give cheer, may he always be near.*

**-- Br Remigius Bullinger, csc**