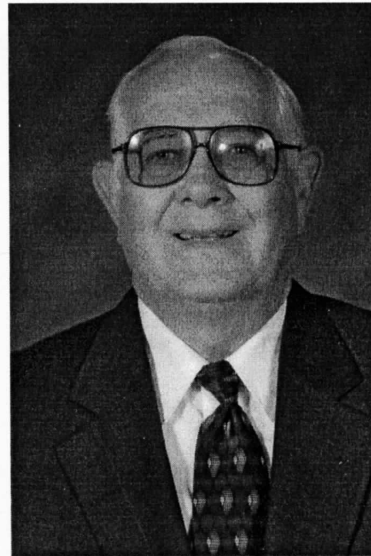


December 21st

Brother John Lawrence Harris, C.S.C.

born: 17 July 1927

died: 21 December 2003



John was born in Detroit and attended Ford Trade School, graduating in 1945. He spent a year at the University of Detroit and joined the Navy in World War II. He entered the juniorate in 1949. After his novitiate year he joined the staff at St. Charles Boys' Home and a year later taught at Mount Carmel School in Brooklyn. He completed his B.A. degree at Notre Dame in 1955 and was sent to the Holy Cross Missions in East Pakistan. He spent a total of 18 years teaching in Dacca and Chittagong. He returned to the U.S. in 1973 and joined the faculty at St. Francis High in Mountain View for 2 years. Because of involvement with immigrants during the Pakistani Civil War, he could not return to East Pakistan. In 1974 he taught at St. Xavier High, a Jesuit institution in Kathmandu, Nepal for 8 years. He came back to the U.S. to teach for a year in New Orleans, and returned to Kathmandu for 4 more years. He taught for a year at St. Joseph High in St. Croix, Virgin Islands. He studied as a Maryknoll associate and returned to Kathmandu to work for 7 more years. In 1997 he came home to volunteer at Schubert Villa and in 1998 retired to live with the community at St. Francis High School, Mountain View. John was noted for his friendly, open, and optimistic personality.

"Through the gift bestowed on me, I was a minister."

-- Ephesians 3:7

"Do what you can with what you have, where you are."

-- Theodore Roosevelt