

Legacy Project

November 26th

Brother Marius (John) Wittner, C.S.C.

born: 20 September 1919

died: 26 November 2007



Marius was born in Toledo, Ohio. He attended elementary school at St. Joseph Orphan Home in Superior, Wisconsin. In 1934, he joined Holy Cross and went to Sacred Heart Juniorate in Watertown, then to the novitiate at Rolling Prairie, where he made first vows in 1939. He studied at Notre Dame, earning a bachelor of science degree in 1943, and later a master's degree in 1950. He taught at Cathedral in Indianapolis for 9 years. Then he spent 2 years teaching at Central Catholic in South Bend and 3 years at St. Edward's High in Austin, Texas. In 1957 he joined the faculty at Hoban High and taught for 10 years. In 1967 he served on the faculty of Gibault School in Terre Haute. In 1976 he taught at Catholic Central High in Monroe, where he taught for 13 years and was the director of the community. In 1989 he served on the staff of Holy Cross High in River Grove. Marius retired at Columba Hall in 1999 after 56 years of teaching. He was a talented and innovative science teacher, with a skill in designing equipment and repairing microscopes for his biology classes. Though he was slight in build, he had a commanding presence in the classroom and his students highly respected him.

*I have taught you in the ways of wisdom, guided you
along the paths of honesty. -- Proverbs 4:11*

*The good teacher makes the poor student good and
the good student superior. -- Marva Collins*