

Legacy Project

October 12th

Brother Pedro (Harold) Haering, C.S.C.

born: 1 June 1923

died: 12 October 2008



Pedro was born in Evansville, and went to Memorial High. He joined Holy Cross in 1941, went to the juniorate at Watertown and the novitiate, making first vows in 1943. He studied at Notre Dame earned his bachelor degree *magna cum laude* in 1947 and later a master's in 1951. His life was dedicated to the instruction, direction, counseling and formation of youth. He taught at South Bend Central Catholic, was the principal of Cathedral in Indianapolis for 7 years, principal at Hoban in Akron for 3 years, and Supervisor of Education for the Cleveland Diocese for 3 years. He then became the superior and director of Dujarie Hall, and then James Hall at the Brothers Center for 5 years. In 1974, he returned to Indianapolis as president and principal at Cathedral. He moved back to Notre Dame, in 1979, as the superior of the Dujarie House infirmary for 9 years. Pedro was a gifted administrator and writer. He edited the province publications for more than 10 years. He was finally able to utilize his vast collection of musical records of the 'big bands age' from the 1920s to 1950s. He produced two 3-hour musical shows a week for more than 15 years on WSND-FM which had a large radio audience in the Michiana area. When he could no longer produce his radio shows, he said, "I'll just pray to accept God's will." Pedro confessed that he suffered from his sensitivity, it was easier for him to communicate via writing. His Christmas letters were treasures.

A bruised reed he will not break, a smoldering wick he will not quench.
-- Isaiah 42:3

The finest qualities of our nature can be preserved only by the most delicate handling.
-- Henry David Thoreau