

Legacy Project

January 9th

Brother Alexius (Erwin) Adam, C.S.C.

born: 10 November 1925

died: 9 January 2009



Alexius was born in Milwaukee and attended schools there. A vocation talk by Br. Theophane Schmitt convinced him to join Holy Cross. He went to the juniorate at Watertown in 1942, and the novitiate where he made his first vows in 1945. He studied at Notre Dame and in 1947, was sent to teach at St. Thomas Aquinas School in Brooklyn for 4 years. He earned his bachelor's degree at Notre Dame in 1949 and later a Master's Degree in History at DePaul in 1963. He taught at schools in Biloxi, New Orleans and then was assigned to join the first faculty at St. Joseph's High in South Bend in 1953. He taught his favorite subjects of history and Latin at Holy Trinity for the next 14 years and served in a number of roles. He returned to South Bend to teach and be a staff member at St. Joseph's High until 1999, serving there for a total of 32 years, many years as the school's athletic director. He retired to Columba Hall, and then Schubert Villa, to continue his hobby of compiling quotations and verses into booklets. He produced one or two volumes each year to be sent to community members and friends.

*Now go and write it in a book that it may serve
in the time to come -- Isaiah 30:8*

*If there's a book you really want to read, but it hasn't
been written yet, then you must write it. -- Toni Morrison*