

Legacy Project

January 8th

Brother Joseph Earl Ballard, C.S.C.

born: 22 November 1934

died: 8 January 2012



Joseph was born in Holy Cross, Kentucky and attended elementary and St. Francis High School in Loretto, KY, graduating in 1953. He felt a calling to the religious life and entered Sacred Heart Juniorate and St. Joseph's Novitiate, pronouncing his first vows in January 1955. He began college studies at St. Edward's University in Austin and then was assigned to teach at St. Thomas Grade School in Brooklyn and Archbishop Hoban High in Akron. He returned to complete his college studies and graduated from St. Edward's in 1960. He had a variety of teaching assignments for 19 years at Holy Cross high schools in Evansville, Indianapolis, Lakewood, and Louisville. He began a variety of new ministries serving in the admissions office of Brescia College in Owensboro, KY, teaching at the Air Force High School in Bitburg, Germany, then working as a pastoral associate in parishes in Wabash, IN and Lake Charles, LA. He returned to his first love and served as a grade school principal in Texas, serving at Killeen, Austin, Floresville, and San Antonio. His final apostolate was caring for senior citizens at Nazareth House in Louisville, which he found to be a most rewarding and fulfilling service. He was very proud of his 'southern roots' from Kentucky. He was always a 'southern gentleman,' polite and respectful with a quiet unassuming dignity.

I know your works, your love, faith, service and endurance and that your last works are greater than the first **-- Revelation, 2:19**

Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does.

-- William James

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February 27th

Brother Eduardo (Stanley) Michalik, C.S.C.

born: 11 May 1920

died: 27 February 2012



Eduardo was born in DeLancey, jPA and attended elementary and high school. He worked in the coal mines until 1940 when he followed a calling to join Holy Cross. He went to the juniorate in Valatie, NY and the novitiate in North Dartmouth, MA, making his first vows in 1942. He studied at Notre Dame and graduated with a degree in 1946. He began a long career of high school teaching, first in Indianapolis, then in Chicago. In 1951 he joined the new faculty at St. Edward High in Lakewood where he served as the Dean of Men. He was famous for the method used with students who "earned" detention slips, they had to excavate an area in the basement to make a large space for shops and offices. In 1957 he was selected as one of the three founding Brothers to return to Africa and teach at St. John's in Ghana and serve as Dean of Discipline. He used the same technique on students, who dug out a hillside to form soccer and sports fields. He served a total of 15 years in Ghana and returned to study as a nurse to serve at hospitals in Wisconsin, Florida and at Dujarie House., In 1983 he worked for 6 years with the Holy Cross Sisters at their religious center in Tiberias, Israel. He was always an adventure-some and athletic person, a talented gymnast and swimmer, once saving a drowning Ghanaian from powerful breakers. He was a devoted chess enthusiast and loved to drive anyone on trips. He found life to be full of challenges and excitement, much like a long distance swim that gets one to a hoped-for destination.

*Complete your outdoor tasks and arrange our work
in order to establish your home. -- Proverbs, 24:27*

*There is no exercise better for the heart than reachng
down and lifting people up. -- John Holmes*