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One must praise this Institute of priests and laymen who mean to be united by a covenant of friendship in such a fashion that each society preserves its own nature, neither prevailing over the other, but they work with each other in the best possible manner in the attainment of their respective ends.

(The above Decree of Praise is Rome's official definition of the Congregation of Holy Cross.)



FEBRUARY at DUJARIE HOUSE

+ Certainly it was not the best of months and, perhaps, an argument could be made for the opposite. Never before have we had seven patients in bed at the same time -- and that number rose to ten near the end of the month when we experienced an influx of cold and 'flu' germs and viruses. We are trying to "think spring".

+ Brother Julian Beaudry (S-W) joined us on the 5th. He was brought by Brother Robert Carberry (S-W). But we had time only to learn what a patient and essentially kind and considerate man he was. His blindness increased the difficulty of becoming acclimated but he was able to come to the dining room for meals as well as to Mass for most of the first week. After that a cold and then the flu aggravated his lung cancer. While not in a coma he became confused and could not remember where he was. He was anointed on the 16th but seemed to snap back quickly -- but only for a day or so. On the evening of the 24th Brothers Just and Pedro went to his room about 9:30 to offer the prayers for the dying. Julian was still breathing heavily when they left the room fifteen minutes later. In five minutes the nurse was back to tell them Brother Julian had passed away. He would have been 90 years old this coming September. Funeral arrangements were made in Austin.

+ Brother Francis Assisi was also anointed on the 6th. His half-brother and a cousin came from Indianapolis when informed that he was failing. But he made a quick turnaround and now is up and (somewhat) about once more.

+ On the 19th we had our big Valentine Party. As usual, Richard and Addie outdid themselves in preparing the buffet. Shirley Rasmussen engaged a barber shop quarter, THE CHORDS, for entertainment after the meal. Guests included Brothers Joseph Walter and Richard Weber from the Center, Mr. Glenn Rousey and Mr. Mike Hazen, Principals of St. Joseph and Marian High Schools, as well as our "regulars", Sisters Dorothy Marie and Carmel, C.S.C., from St. Joe High School. The table was bountiful and the evening entertaining. Mr. Hazen is a former student of Brother Paul Mattingly.

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+Mr. Tim Treischield, a friend of Bro-David DeCuir, visited David from Sacramento for six days early in the month. Tim stayed at Columba Hall.

+ Several fine movies were shown on the VCR this month for those who wished to view them: A PASSAGE TO INDIA, THE TRIP TO BOUNTIFUL, and PARIS, TEXAS. As you can see, we don't stay home in our imaginations.

+ The Director has been suffering at least part of his purgatory the last four or five months. In addition to a two-months bout with a kidney stone, three weeks with bronchitis and viral pneumonia, he fell while running last Sunday (22nd) breaking off a tooth, badly mutilating the lower lip, fracturing a rib, and spraining his right shoulder and upper arm. But it could have been worse.

+Sister Agnes Eugenie, C.S.C., joined us for Mass and Brunch on Sunday, the 15th.

+ Brothers Anselm Tatro and Luke Bauer (S-W) received greetings from the President and his wife for their 96th and 91st birthdays on the 25th and 27th...Brother John O'Flaherty will be celebrating his 83rd on St. Patrick's Day.

+ Brother Just represented us at the Center's sesquicentennial celebration on March 1st.

OUR ELDER STATESMEN:

Perhaps some of our readers might like to remember one or more of the following birthdays coming up between now and our next publication:

Brother Seraphim Herrmann -- 88 -- March 4
Brother Liguori Denier -- 80 -- March 9
Brother John O'Flaherty -- 83 -- March 17
Br. Antoninus Schloemmer -- 82 -- March 21
Brother Eymard Salzman -- 82 -- April 1
Brother Pius Leising -- 84 -- April 11
Brother Kenan Judge -- 84 -- March 23

Life is, for most of us, a continuous process of getting used to things we hadn't expected.

BROTHER THEOPHILUS MACHALINSKI

Brother Theo received two letters recently which can make all of us feel good and proud. One came here (to Dujarie) and the other was forwarded to us by Brother John Federowicz from Holy Trinity in Chicago.

One is from Professor Joseph C. Bronars of Queen College, New York, a 1942 graduate of Holy Trinity. Two excerpts:

"I just read in the latest TRINITARIAN about your having your 95th birthday last October 20. Sto lat!

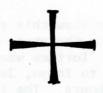
"As I recall, you introduced me, by selling copies to us in class, to the CATHO-LIC WORKER. I have kept in with it ever since — in fact, I just received the latest issue in today's mail. And I had what I consider a very great privilege of meeting and talking with Dorothy Day on several occasions. Your influence thus continued, and my social awareness I'm sure influences my teaching of prospective teachers today, thanks, in large measure, to you."

The other letter is from Edward T. Woj-cik of the Trinity Class of 1940. It is also a response to Theo's 95th birthday. It begins:

"It's been almost 50 years since I was graduated from Holy Trinity, but the work of Brothers like yourself, Brothers Stanislaus, Victor, Maximus, Edward, Sigismund, George, and others has stood me in very good stead.

Later he says, "While you may not recall me personally, I can still recite parts of Hamlet's Soliloquy which you has us commit to memory as part of our English class."





From CHICAGO

+ The 1987 Loyola Symposium on Values and Ethics under the title "The Catholic University and the Urban Poor", held February 19, heard a paper presented by Brother Robert Dailey, CSC, of the Mathematical Science Division. The paper was titled: "Etiology vs. Action".

+ In the Holy Trinity High School TRINI-TARIAN we read that Brother James Van Dyke, Esq., a long-time religion and English teacher at HTHS passed his Illinois Bar Exam this past summer and is now an attorney. Congratulations.

From VENICE, FLORIDA

Brother Peter Nault, Assistant Treasurer of the Diocese of Venice is the director of the 1987 Bishop's Faith Appeal. With a goal of \$1,500,000, Brother Peter announced:

"It is our hope that every family in the diocese will give whatever they can, with each parish responding 100%. Each family should feel some responsibility to contribute, no matter how small the amount."

Major beneficiaries of the appeal will be the Hispanic and Migrant Apostolate, Education and Youth Services, and Diocesan Support Services.

RETREAT OPPORTUNITY

The annual Holy Week Retreat at Columba Hall begins Palm Sunday evening (April 12) and ends Holy Saturday (April 18). Brother Carl Sternberg will be the Retreat Master. For more information please contact Brother James Reddy at Columba Hall.

From BRAZIL

Brother Robert Ludwig writes from Santarem, Para:

"The mail was slow this year as it took four weeks for Christmas mail to arrive. I recall the 'forties when a letter from Tipton, Iowa to Tokyo, Japan took only forty-eight hours. The jet age has slowed things. And not all of the mail arrived un-tampered.

"I have passed the renewal form for my permanent visa, but it could become messy in the Capitol as Sao Paulo has more than a million people on visas.

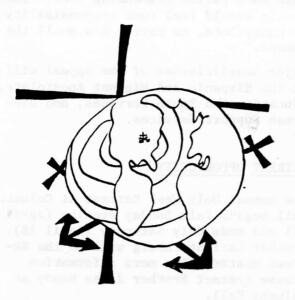
"Our big vacation is nearly over. Classes begin a week before "Carnival", and that doesn't make much sense as many students will not come until after

"The country is still on price control and we have to wait for confirmation on what we can charge and afford to pay our teachers.

"We need rain here, while in Campinas they are having floods. Greetings to all."

From CHILE

At the triennial chapter of the District of Chile, which was held December 25 to 31, Father Robert Gilbo was elected to a second three-year term as District Superior. The members of the District elected Brothers Donald Kuchenmeister and Joseph Tomei as district councilors; Father Gilbo appointed Fathers Charles Delaney and Fermin Donoso.



From BOYSVILLE

Michigan's newest Boysville Home has opened with fourteen boys at the former Comboni Mission Center north of Monroe.

The former high school seminary was sold late last year and has been converted into a private residential program for troubled youths.

The new owners are the Brothers of Holy Cross who also operate seven community group homes throughout the state.

The first youths, ages 12-17, began arriving January 23 and several more added a week later according to Ed Flynn, manager of the home.

The home consists of a private school and counseling center. Boysville's approach to working with youth served by its programs is to consider the whole child and his need for a healthy self-image, stable emotional control, and a positive value system.

The youths stay at the home from nine to twelve months, depending upon their progress. "It's a long term rehabilitation program," Mr. Flynn said.

The home has thirty staff members now who serve as teachers, child care specialists, family workers, treatment directors, and maintenance. Brother Leonard Siwierka, CSC, supervises the kitchen. He worked the last four years for the Brothers at Catholic Central.

(Condensed from the MONROE EVENING NEWS of February 2nd.)

OBITUARIES --

- + Brother Julian Beaudry, C.S.C. (S-W)
- + Sister Dorothy (Ursulyn) Coomes, C.S.C.
- + Grace Lyon, sister of Brother Brian
- + Aunt of Brother Richard Gilson, C.S.C.
- + Carl Brinkmeyer, uncle of Brother
 Edward Foken, C.S.C.
- + Ruth Bockhold, great aunt of Brother Edward Foken, C.S.C.

HOLY CROSS JUNIOR COLLEGE

In the February 6 issue of THE OBSERVER (Notre Dame/St. Mary's student newspaper), the Arts and Cultural magazine section featured Holy Cross Junior College.

Two full pages of HCJC photographs by Greg Kohs attractively set off the article written by Patti Tripathi. Some of the highlights of the article follow.

The Junior College provides education for 354 students from 22 states and 12 foreign countries. "Holy Cross Junior College is a stepping stone for many students," said Brother John Driscoll, President-Dean of the school. "As many as 70 percent of these students transfer to senior colleges. 30% is the national average.

The curriculum is similar to that of Notre Dame and Indiana University. The Holy Cross bulletin states that many of the transfer-intent students have the ability to succeed at senior college but wish to have the opportunity to test their abilities while making progress toward the bachelor's degree.

The opportunity to study at Notre Dame or Saint Mary's is one of the reasons that students attend Holy Cross. Last year thirty-five students transferred to Notre Dame.

"Cost is another reason for attending Holy Cross Junior College," said Brother John Driscoll. "The \$80 credit hour allows many to attain a higher education."

The student to faculty ratio is 20.9 to 1. Of the 354 students at the present time the ratio of male to female is 2 to 1.

Holy Cross does not provide on campus housing. Most students live in the Campus View Apartments, Notre Dame Apartments, or with friends and relatives in the South Bend area. "We are not in the hotel business," said Brother John.

Holy Cross opened in the fall of 1966 for student brothers of the Congregation of Holy Cross. Other male students were enrolled the following year and the school became coeducational in the fall of 1968.

SENIOR FRIENDSHIP CENTERS/ BROTHER WILLIAM GEENEN

The Sarasota City Commission provided Brother William Geenen, founder of the Senior Friendship Centers, with a belated Christmas present by approving a petition that will permit the Senior Friendship Centers to construct a large facility for the elderly at the city-owned Luke Wood Park.

Senior Citizens, some struggling to walk to the microphone, gave impassioned testimonies about how the efforts of the Senior Friendship Centers have helped aging people to walk again, helped a paralyzed man to regain his speech, and had enriched the closing years of many peoples' lives.

Dr. Robert Windom, assistant Secretary of Health at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Resources, spoke in favor of the expansion plan. "I think what we're seeing here is an example of what most cities in the Sun Belt are going to be facing in the future," Windom said during the public hearing. He urged the commission to be a "pioneer in this area and in the nation" by approving the plans.

Julia Cambridge, 77, told the commissioners that she is 'thankful to God' that the Senior Friendship Centers were there to help her. "You know you don't have to stay home and be lonely," she told them, "you don't have to be hungry."

(The above was excerpted from the December 30, 1986 edition of the SARASOTA HERALD TRIBUNE.)



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