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## U.S. Provincials discuss collaboration

+ On Friday, October 5, the six major superiors of the Priests' and Brothers' U.S. Provinces met at the Brothers' Center prior to the October 7 to 9 meetings of the combined major superiors of Priests, Brothers, and Sisters. Reports from the Task Force on the Holy Cross Conference on poverty were presented and discussed.

Early on Sunday, October 7, the provincials of the inter-society novitiate at

Waterford, New York, gathered to evaluate last summer's program and to consider options for next summer.

On Sunday evening, the regular meetings scheduled for all groups, including the Marianites of Holy Cross, the Sisters of the Holy Cross, and Sisters of Holy Cross, were begun to discuss charism and collaboration within Holy Cross. The meetings came about because of the interest held by the General Administration.

The presentations, aimed at Holy Cross identity, focused on how we see the specifics of collaboration within all the groups represented. The major question asked and discussed dealt with the topic: what is happening now in Holy Cross that can be tied into the workings of the various societies in the area of collaboration?



SISTER PAULINE PLANTE, CSC, MAIN PRESENTOR FOR THE THREE-DAY MEETING OF PROVINCIALS



THIRTY-ONE PROVINCIALS AND ASSISTANTS DISCUSS COLLABORATION AT FATIMA HOUSE MEETING

### PROVINCIAL OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENT:

Requests for full-time study/renewal programs for the 1985-1986 academic year are to be completed and sent in to Brother Roy Smith at the Provincial Office by January 16, 1985.

### FROM THE PROVINCE CENTER

+ On October 23, letters were sent out to those province members who were elected as delegates to the 1985 Chapter.

The letter was also a reminder that the first organizational meeting of the delegates to the Chapter will be held in the chapter room of the provincial house on Saturday, November 24, at 9:00 a.m.

A proposed plan for the '85 Chapter will be sent to the delegates several weeks before the first meeting so that they may study the plan in preparation for voting whether to accept or reject it.

FROM ROME

+ In his letter of October 4, 1984, addressed to the Priest's District of India, Father Barrosse officially established the Indian Province of Priests. The chapter, convoked as a district chapter, elected Fr. Mathew Vadakedom as its first provincial. Father Barrosse noted that this was our first province outside Europe and North America since the days of our founder, the first in a country where the vast majority of the population is non-Christian, the first in a country where the very poor are so numerous and first with such a great variety of languages and cultures among its members.

Father William Hogan (EP) was appointed as Procurator General of the Congregation. The return of Father Hogan to this position will be of considerable assistance to the general administration in preparing the way for the approval of our Constitutions by the Holy See.

Since May 31, the writing committee for revising the Constitutions of our congregation wasted no time in deciding that the Consultation responses, made by about one-half of our entire membership, indicated that we were to use the contents of our present Constitutions as the basis for revision. The awareness of the international, multilingual and transcultural nature of Holy Cross came from having to say the very same thing in French and English. Remaining sensitive to the workings of the Lord among us, the revision committee has hopes that the workings of the Spirit are evident in the working document that will go to the General Chapter in 1986.

Brother Raymond Dufresne has been busy getting use to operating the Apple IIe. It will accommodate a U.S.A./French keyboard, thus making it possible to put the working of the revised Constitution and other related documents into the computer.

Brother Ray is also preparing to join the rest of the General Council in attending the Council of the Congregation meeting in Santiago, Chile, from November 29 to December 5.

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I looked for my soul  
 But my soul I could not see.  
 I looked for my God,  
 But my God eluded me.  
 I looked for a friend,  
 And there I found all three.



FORMATION COUNCIL: (SEATED L-R) BROTHERS THOMAS MOSER, KEN HADERS, AND JAMES CALEY. (STANDING) BROTHERS JEFFREY MICHELS, BOB FILLMORE, PHILIP SMITH, DOUGLAS ROACH, DON GIBBS, AND FRANK ROTSAERT.

- Members of the present Formation Council met at the Holy Cross Brothers' Center on Saturday, October 13 to formulate a formation manual that would cover eight areas of concern and responsibility in the program.

The manual, which is scheduled for completion by Chapter time in June of '85, will cover the following areas: a philosophy of formation, the vocation counselor, office of vocations, admissions procedures, pre-novitiate programs, the novitiate program, the post-novitiate program, and the Formation Council.

The Council serves in an advisory capacity to the provincial administration, and each member is appointed by the provincial. Brother Robert Fillmore is the director of the Formation Council.

The Council meets three times a year in order to review and understand the entire formation program as presently implemented. It attempts to become personally knowledgeable of formation programs operating within religious communities.

A new program under the direction of the vocation counselor is the Affiliate Program. It is designed for high school graduates as an informal means of keeping them in contact with the Brothers of Holy Cross, affording them occasions to get a closer look at the Brothers' life, giving them insights into what the religious life is all about, and to help them develop a way to discover and carry out God's designs in their own lives without either involvement in the process of application or commitment to the life of a candidate.

FROM THE VOCATION OFFICE

+ As of mid-October, Brother Don Gibbs resigned his position as Director of Pastoral Care at St. Joseph Hospital in Mishawaka, Indiana, to assist Brother David Baltrinic in the Vocation Office. Brother David will handle all of the correspondence going through the vocation office while Brother Don will make the annual round of school visitations. A new vocation booklet, produced by Brother David, was sent to the printer for completion. The 32-page booklet is a newly designed and updated presentation of Holy Cross and its formation program that was several months in the making.

+ Brother James Kell, South-West Personnel Director, will be offering a two-day Life/Work Planning Workshop at the Midwest Brothers' Province Center on March 2 and 3, 1985. He will have presented the workshop in New Orleans, Sherman Oaks, and Mountain View before coming to the Center.

The workshop is geared to religious and lay people of all ages and backgrounds who are interested in enriching their lives. The participants will explore past experiences, examine present situations, plan future ministry and service, and attempt to affirm themselves in present ministry.

The content of the program will cover a wide range of topics, such as expectations and assumptions, skill identification, theology of life, values meditation, elements of the work environment, leisure time, interviews and interviewing, resumes, discernment, and practical applications.

The cost of the workshop is \$60.00 for the two days. This includes lunch between the morning and afternoon sessions.

Brother James is the facilitator for the workshop. He can be contacted at the South-West Provincial Office, c/o St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas 78704. Registratrion deadline is Feb. 23, 1985.

Brother Philip Armstrong said after attending the workshop, "I think it is worth the very brief time and effort required, and Br. James surely puts you at ease, making the experience not only educational but enjoyable. The overall result is a better knowledge of self and the tools needed to investigate and follow up on possible life changes."



CANDIDATE COMMUNITY: (SEATED L-R) WILSON KENNEDY AND BR. PHILIP SMITH. (STANDING) ED NOVAK, BR. DOUGLAS ROACH, MARK HUMMEL, TIMOTHY GAVEY AND LEN ROGUS.

+ The Candidate Program is designed to help men begin to make the transition into Holy Cross Community life. The residential program gives the candidate the opportunity to experience Holy Cross life first hand, while helping him to grow and mature as a Christian person. The primary purpose of the candidate program is immediate preparation for beginning the novitiate.

The program consists of five components blended together in a lived experience: 1) prayer--individual and communal, 2) community living, 3) intellectual development, 4) personal integration--spiritual direction and self identification, and 5) weekly volunteer apostolic service.

Four of the candidates live at 1114 Lincoln Way West in South Bend. Ed Novak of Doylestown, Ohio, and Mark Hummel of Sunman, Indiana, are joined by two English-Canadian postulants, Wilson Kennedy from Bathurst, New Brunswick, and Timothy Gavey from Kingston, Ontario. The fifth candidate, Len Rogus of Krakow, Wisconsin, lives at Columba Hall on the Notre Dame Campus (featured in the October, 1984 is-

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All four candidates at Lincoln Way carry 12 to 15 hours of academic work. Classes are taken at Notre Dame University, Holy Cross Junior College, St. Mary's College, and Moreau Seminary. All are undergraduate students. Len Rogus, having completed his formal studies in 1962, is a member of the Religious Leadership Program at the University of Notre Dame.

Brother Douglas Roach is the director of the candidate program. He is assisted by Brother Philip Smith, who also teaches English Literature and music at St. Joseph High School in South Bend. Together, they direct and coordinate the program and activities of all five phases of the formation program mentioned above.

Already active in their local community through apostolic service projects, Mark Hummel helps out at the St. Augustine Parish soup kitchen, Ed Novak assists at the Brothers' infirmary at the Brothers' Center, and Wilson Kennedy and Tim Gavey tutor in the Religious Ed program at St. Joseph's Grade School, South Bend.



FATHER FINTAN, OSB, JOINS THE CANDIDATE COMMUNITY FOR A LITURGICAL CELEBRATION.

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The Holy Cross Community in Akron invite all Province members to join them in remembering Arthur LeBon, father of Brother Joseph. Funeral services were held in Dallas, Texas, on October 25. Survivors include Joseph's mother and his brother Arthur.

Reverend Clement Kane, C.S.C., died at Holy Cross House, Notre Dame, on Sunday, October 28, 1984.

## Around the World

### News from the Missions

**FROM BANGLADESH:** Because of the number of letters sent to Bro. John Rozario, he has finally obtained a box that should help remedy the situation. The new address is: Brother John Rozario, CSC, P.O. Box #2152, G.P.O. Dhaka 2.

The District Council met on October 4. The following were declared new members: Brothers John Emminger, Binoy Stephen Gomes, Robi Theodore Purification, Bijoy Harold Rodrigues, and Subal Lawrence Rozario.

Brother Dominic made a whirlwind trip through the north and rounded up a dozen boys to attend the vocation camp.

**FROM NARINDA:** Brother John Rozario helped run two BCC seminars in Hahnabad in September with two other members of the Christian Communities Program. In Hashnabad, Fr. Charles Houser's (presently on leave in the States) parish, there were about 225 participants and in Golla about 65 participating.

Dhaka traffic is chaotic. When one has to turn right (left hand drive), one may take the turn from the far left lane. If the light is red for the right turn, the through traffic has to over-take the rickshaws on the left. At one of those crossings, Bro. John Rozario did just that with his Honda. In a split second he found himself on the road with cuts and bruises and broken lights. The rickshaw in front of him took a left turn from the middle lane. (Figure out that one.)

**FROM THE ASPIRANCY IN MARINDA:** There are now 16 aspirants and two Brothers at the Aspirancy. The new boys came September 8, registered at the college on the 9th, had orientation on the 10th, and started classes on the 11th.

Brothers Ronald and Benoy attended the National Advisory Council Meeting with the National Service Team of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal. It was a one-day meeting at the Ramna Seminary.

Brother Benoy went to Nagari to help with the Vocation Camp for six days. He escorted two boys from St. Gregory's who were brought over by Brother Charles.

With our new basketball, we played an intramural game involving one team named

the Brother Andre's and the other named the Father Moreau's. The founder's team won by 20 points: 54 to 34.

FROM HOLY CROSS IN BANDURA: Brother Bikash Victor D'Rozario renewed his vows on September 15. Brother John Rozario was present and received his vows. A gala reception followed the ceremony.

The evening before, all the Fathers and Sisters joined the Brothers to celebrate the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

FROM ST. NICHOLAS IN NAGARI: Brothers Subal and Robi renewed their vows in the parish church on September 14. Brothers, Fathers, and Sisters gathered for a high tea on the occasion.

FROM THE JUNIORATE IN NAGARI: A vocation camp was held from September 30 to October 5. Forty-five boys attended. Brother Subal organized the camp and most of the arrangements. He was assisted by Brothers Robi and Binoy and seminarians Bokul and Benedict. Father Atul celebrated Mass each day and gave many conferences. Since the attendance was greater than expected, everything was shifted to the school where the classrooms were used for the chapel, for conference rooms, for the dining room, and for sleeping areas.

Physicians for Social Responsibility will sponsor the visit and program.

#### FROM DUJARIE HOUSE

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Brother Lewis Bertand has been living at Dujarie House since October 8, while nursing a bad back. By the end of the month, the TLC he has been receiving, is working wonders.

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## Around the Province... and then some

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FROM ALASKA

+ The work of Brother Charles McBride, Director of Communications for the Archdiocese of Anchorage, is evident from the long listing of available Catholic programs on Multivisions. The Catholic Television Network of America (CTNA) programs are seen Monday through Friday from 9-11 a.m. The Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) programs are seen daily from 4-8 p.m.

Charles has worked for several years to bring Catholic television programming to Alaskans, especially to those in hard-to-reach-areas of the Archdiocese and beyond.

In recent weeks teens from St. Mary's Parish, Kodiak, participated in a retreat conducted by Brothers Joseph Fox and Joseph Barry of the Youth Ministry Office. The Youth Ministry Office also sponsored a Youth Rally in Kenai in early October in which Archbishop Francis T. Hurley attended its Saturday session. In coming weeks, the Brothers will conduct a retreat in Valdez and a "Faith Frolic" for fifth, sixth, and seventh graders in Cordova.

Brother John McMuldren will continue with his study leave at Notre Dame till January, at which time he resumes his duties as Director of the Youth Ministry Office in Anchorage.

FROM MONROE, MICHIGAN

+ An ad appeared in the Monroe EVENING NEWS on Tuesday, October 9, announcing the inauguration of a Community Band, formed by the Music Department of Catholic Central High School. The Community Band is open to all interested parents, alumni, friends and students of CC. The purpose of the program is to keep in touch with all those associated with CC, past and present. The first practice was held on Thursday, October 11. The response was gratifying, averaging between 22 and 35 persons for the three weeks of practice sessions since its beginning. The Catholic Central Community Band will hold its first appearance in conjunction with the Christmas Concert held on December 9.

It's "Hail to the Champions" again for Monroe Catholic Central's football team. CC won the Huron League Championship on Friday evening, October 19, for the sixth time in the last seven years.

FROM EVANSVILLE, INDIANA

+ In an article in the Evansville MESSAGE of October 19, titled "Learning Together," Brother John Stout is featured as not only a teacher who has shared learning with students for the past 33 years, but one who has valued his vocation as a Brother of Holy Cross as well.

"My greatest satisfaction comes from being with young people and seeing them grow intellectually. I also enjoy the commitment and feeling of religious life," he commented. "I always thought I had a vocation and I always wanted to be a teacher. Things fell into place when I went to St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas in 1946. There I had personal contact with Brothers for the first time, and later made my first vows when I was 25."

FROM AKRON

ARCHBISHOP HOBAN HIGH SCHOOL, AKRON: Sister Claire Young, I.H.M., after spending ten years at Archbishop Hoban High School, left to join Holy Cross in Bangladesh. Sister is well remembered at Hoban for her involvement as a counselor, teacher of English and Latin, and administrator of the World's Finest Chocolate Drive, as well as involvement with the ISLI (International Student Leadership) Program, being a class moderator, and uniquely contributing to the bi-annual mini-course program.

Opening and closing envelopes--this describes the daily activity of the Hoban Development Department. In the last two months, many have been busy responding to the \$50,000 challenge grant received from the GAR Foundation. With a deadline of November 1, the activity was maintained at a high level. Mr. Lisle M. Buckingham, Trustee of the Foundation, was instrumental in formulating the guidelines of the award. He and other members of the Distribution Committee of the GAG Foundation determined that the establishment of an endowed scholarship fund, providing assistance for students based on financial need warranted the Foundation's support. As of press-time, indications were that the Hoban family was responding positively to the appeal.

FROM PORTLAND, OREGON

+ Brother William Fuller reports from the University of Portland that a few changes have taken place since he last wrote.

The University now has a new five thousand seat convocation center called the Earl A. Chiles Center. It will house the athletic department and will permit the basketball team, the U of P Pilots, to have a permanent home court.

Brother Richard Fischenich is getting ready for all of his recruiting trips this fall. Last winter his whirlwind recruiting tour took him to seven South-East Asian countries, which added a hundred new applicants from that portion of the globe. Richard was also promoted to Associate Director of Admissions at the University.

Brother William (Francisco) Drury had an excellent year, with the microfilm sections of the library growing by leaps and bounds.

Bill gave several computer workshops this past summer. He gave a computer literacy workshop to the Office Services Personnel and is presently involved with a mathematics study skills workshop for minority students. Last spring an article, "Planar Coherent States", was published in the Journal of Mathematical Physics. He is also working on some context clarification software that will be used by the University's Counseling and Consulting center in the initial screening of clients.

The three Brothers would like to thank their visitors of this past summer: Brothers Philip Armstrong, Bruce Lescher, and Tom Maddix; and invite any or all who are passing by to stop in for a visit. The sun just may come out for the occasion.

FROM CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

+ In celebration of its 75th Anniversary, Holy Trinity High School, hosted an open house on Sunday, November 4 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. All students, parents, friends, and alumni were cordially invited to an afternoon of tours, refreshments, and door prizes.

Holy Trinity is not only looking to the past as it celebrates its 75th Anniversary. It also has its eye on the future.

Brother Charles Pinto, principal of Holy Trinity, has announced the formation of a Long-Range Planning Committee to develop a five-year strategy to guide Holy Trinity

into the next decade. Brother Charles, who chairs the committee, is assisted by an eleven member board, which includes Brothers John Benesh and John Tryon and Maureen Maher from the school faculty.

"We are committed to charting a first-rate course for Holy Trinity," says Brother Charles, "and I believe the committee, by soliciting the views and advice of the entire school community, will come up with a workable plan with which we will control our future rather than the future controlling us."

It is estimated that the long-range planning process will take from five to seven months to complete. The process is being facilitated by Richard Linting of Arthur Andersen and Co., and Rev. James Michaletz, C.S.V., of the Catholic Leadership Program at DePaul University.

FROM LAKEWOOD, OHIO:

+ No other St. Edward wrestling team in the past decade will be watched as closely as the 1984/85 team. This year's Eagle squad will be looking to extend their National Record of 56 consecutive tournament wins. Included in this string are seven consecutive Ohio AAA State titles, which is an all-time Ohio State record. These statistics and the fact that last year's team was ranked Number One in the Nation for a third straight year will present a new challenge to the wrestlers. The wrestling eyes of the nation, and wellwishers of the Holy Cross Community, will be focused on the 1984/85 St. Edward Eagles.

FROM CLINTON, MICHIGAN

+ A Liturgy of Thanksgiving and Praise and a dinner marked the 35th Anniversary of Boyssville of Michigan at Sacred Heart Seminary in Detroit, Michigan, on Saturday, October 6.

The Most Reverend Edmund C. Szoka, Archbishop of Detroit, was celebrant and homilist for the liturgy. The theme for the occasion was: "Youth hold a special place in the love and understanding of God."

Reverend Thomas J. Finnigan of the Boyssville Board of Directors and past President was the main speaker at the dinner.



FROM HOLY CROSS JUNIOR COLLEGE

+ On Saturday, November 3, Holy Cross Junior College held an Open House from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. The occasion provided the opportunity for former students, families and friends to see the college facilities and to visit members of the administration and faculty.

Of special interest, particularly to those who have not been on the campus recently, is the new addition on the west end of the college building which houses Donatus Hall, containing three classrooms and a computer instructional area; and Kieran Hall, containing faculty and administrative offices.

Anyone who was unable to attend the Open House on November 3 is still welcomed to tour the college facilities at any time when in the Notre Dame/South Bend area.

FROM RIVER GROVE, ILLINOIS

+ Brother Donald Fleischhacker reports from the Chicago area that Brother Robert Filmore underwent surgery for a hernia at St. Mary of Nazareth Hospital in Chicago.

During the third week of October, Brothers Thomas Corcoran (Holy Cross, River Grove) and Charles Pinto (Holy Trinity, Chicago), were on the special committee to evaluate Notre Dame High School, Niles, for the North Central Association for Secondary Schools.

Brother Don attended the annual Archdiocesan Catechetical Resource Day on Saturday, November 3, at Gordon Technical High School in Chicago. The theme for the day was: "Discipleship for a New Age." He also participated at a special liturgy celebrated by Cardinal Bernadin and sponsored by the Chicago chapter of the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights at Holy Name Cathedral on Sunday, October 21.

FROM MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

+ In the October issue of HOLY CROSS BROTHERS, Brother Warren Shea was described as a "driving force in the Badger Kart Club." Currently, he is involved with a new program of remote control stock car racing. The cars, generally built by the boys themselves at St. Charles Boys' Home, are raced on a carpeted track, four and five at a time. The races last seven minutes.

From January through April, however, Brother Warren and his boys stay busy with two exciting programs that he has developed. During the snowy months they take to the trails on cross-country skis. They also go to nursing homes with their "Cruppets" show. The boys design and sew their own giant-sized muppet-like costumes and head pieces.

Once a week they visit the elderly and ailing, spreading joy and happiness everywhere they go with cheery messages and lots of personal contact. This year Bro. Warren has 15 to 20 boys in the program.

FROM OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

+ Brothers Richard Kearney and Joe McTaggart moved from Berkley to Third Avenue in Oakland last April (1704 3rd Ave., Oakland, CA 94606). Brother Bruce Lescher joined them in June.

Richard is now in his third year as Director of the Foster Care Program at St. Vincent School, a facility for delinquent children under the auspices of the Archdiocese of San Francisco. The Foster Care Program has grown considerably under Richard's guidance. A year ago, the Program received a grant from the San Francisco Foundation, and this grant will allow the Program to triple in size. Also last year Foster Care serviced eight children; there are now 20 (and soon to be 25).

Joe is participating in a Clinical Pastoral Experience (CPE) Program at the Presbyterian Medical Center in San Francisco. During the year, Joe will earn four units of CPE. He is part of a six-person Pastoral Ministry staff at the Medical Center. He is hospital chaplain for two units: a medical-surgical floor and floor for geriatric mental patients. CPE also involves a large time commitment to staff development as the staff members help one another improve their ministry skills.

Bruce is in his second year of studies for a Ph.D. in Christian Spirituality at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkley. In addition to studying, Bruce also serves as a reflection group leader for the Institute of Spirituality and Worship (ISW) and a spiritual director for the Network Ministry Program, a special seminary program attempting to integrate spirituality and social justice, sponsored by the Pacific School of Religion.

## Parish Ministry

### A PROFILE

+ For four years, Father Steve Sedlock, C.S.C., Pastor of St. Stanislaus Parish in South Bend, has been asking Brother Jerome Schwabe ("Brother Jerry" in the parish) to come and get involved in parish ministry. Fr. Steve felt that Brother's experience in community and apostolic administration, his work in Brazil, involvement with delinquents, neighborhood outreach programs, musical direction, and developed counseling techniques, would be invaluable in parish work. For Father Steve, having Brother work in the parish would be to utilize the talents and abilities he had developed over the years in his diversified ministries.

Jerry is well into his second year of parish ministry at St. Stan's and admits that it is a lot different than the traditionally structured apostolates of the past. "The work is not hard," he said, "but it is constant, and many times seven days a week. Unless one decides to take a day off each week, and be away from the parish, it ends up with something else to be done."

Parish ministry is a different role for Brothers. The Pastoral team (two priests, one Sister, and Br. Jerry) meet three times a week to discuss present situations, plan for the future, and evaluate what has been done. As newly designated Office Manager for the parish, he has to oversee the many records, files, and financial books of the parish. He also publishes the weekly church bulletin.



FATHER TOM ELLIOT (L) AND FATHER STEVE SEDLOCK (R) MEET WITH BROTHER JERRY FOR FREQUENT PARISH ACTIVITIES DISCUSSIONS.

His most prominent work, however, is the parish choir. A group, consisting of mostly elderly people, has been molded into a three and four part choir that practices every Thursday evening and sings every Sunday. They also sing jointly with other choirs, including other denominations.

Brother Jerry also visits many of the parishioners in their homes, does part-time work on neighborhood outreach, and belongs to the Parish Finance Board and to the Parish Council.



BR. JERRY DIRECTING THE ST. STAN'S CHOIR

When asked how long he'll be at St. Stan's, Jerry answered, "I don't worry about how much or how little time. There are people to be reached and accepted, things to be planned and accomplished, and time becomes very relative when one is completely involved. The struggle in any apostolate is not how much time or what goals are reached, but a constant return to prayer and awareness of physical health so that one is free to do what has to be done. In doing God's work, we don't judge the person, who or what they are, or even what they have done or have been involved in.

Those who know Brother Jerry, know the long list of credits and places that would follow his name. Yet, he considers the greatest honor bestowed upon him in his work as a Holy Cross Brother was to be the first American to be declared an honorary citizen of Santarem, Para, Brazil in a special City Hall ceremony back in 1963.

There is little doubt in the mind of this writer that more will be written about Brother Jerry in the years to come. It will simply be a matter of having to keep up with him.

## Between the lines

By Brother Lawrence Miller, C.S.C.

+ My spiritual reading mood swings: from books to articles; from current output to the classics; I even indulge in my own writing and read it!

Psychologists nod their heads when they hear of "mood swings", but to me they can also be moments of opportunity, of grace.

The other day, being in a down mood, I casually explored the book shelf and magazine rack. The moment of opportunity came at the magazine rack.

There are two delightful articles in the Sept./Oct. 1984 issue of the REVIEW FOR RELIGIOUS that I want to call to your attention. Both were mood elevators for me, and I feel this is one of the functions of spiritual reading.

The title of the first article is: "The Transforming Power of the Biblical Heart Imagery." The author states that the word heart is found over a thousand times in the Bible, that the Bible takes a holistic view of the human body, and that "the nineteenth and the first part of the twentieth centuries dealt a very severe blow to the holistic view of the heart and the human person." He goes on to say that "it is imperative that biblical heart language be restored...it is simply necessary if we are to preserve the human race from destruction." In all, there are ten well-documented pages of challenging material in this article.

The title of the second article is: "Reading and Praying the Bible Today." The first point the author makes is that prayer is most of all a listening. He develops this theme in an interesting and traditional manner. The second point he makes is that we should read each book of the Bible as a book! This is different, at least for me. We are accustomed to taking verses (what does it profit a man, etc.) for meditation points. Spiritual writers single out a verse that may have converted sinners to saints. Now we can learn how to read the Bible as a literary composition. This point is well developed in the article. The author, a Jesuit, ends with: "There is, I think, a kind of parallelism between the ancient tradition of the lectio divino and the prayer-forms taught by Ignatius of Loyola in his Spiritual Exercises."

Both of these articles present a fresh approach to the subject.

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