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with the smallest brushes," André loved to note, "that the artist paints the most exquisite of details."

COVER: This is a copy of a painting of Brother André which was commissioned by our province to commemorate the Beatification of Brother in Rome on May 23, 1982.

The painting was done by Tim MacDonald, a local South Bend artist, in consultation with Brother Jeffrey; the original hangs in the Holy Cross Brothers' Center, Notre Dame, Indiana.

OF BROTHER GERALD NETTESHEIM

Perhaps fewer vocations, varying and changing interests, attrition have all contributed to the fact that none of our Brothers is at Gibault, only two at St. Charles, and ten remain at Boysville. These facts make even more important Brother Gerald Nettessheim's twenty-four consecutive years of service at Gibault (8) and Boysville (16).

Gerald is the third of five children and he was graduated from the local high school in Hartford, Wisconsin in 1955. This past January he marked twenty-five years of vows in Holy Cross.

Last July he assisted at his parents' celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Gerald's devotedness to the religious life parallels and "comes naturally" from his parents devotedness to each other.

At Gibault, among various activities, he taught, counseled in the dormitory and was Dean of Students. He has performed these same tasks at Boysville and, in addition, has served in the development office and as Director of Buildings and Grounds. Any litany of Gerald's personal qualities would have to include neat and orderly, conscientious and dependable. Those who have worked with him have come to take this for granted.

Brother Gerald mentions Brothers Ignatius Boyd and Michael Becker as two men who have been a source of strength and religious and apostolic growth in his life and service of others. Of Brother Ignatius, who died in the fall of 1959, Gerald recalls "his deep prayer life, his encouragement, support and patience, his wisdom, insight, and sound advice were instrumental in what it means to be understanding in working with troubled youth."

We congratulate Brother Gerald and hope that, in the coming years, many more youth and religious will enjoy the benefits of his faithful service.



VOCATIONS

March 15 through 19 will mark the annual vocations awareness week at Holy Cross in River Grove. This year members of other religious brotherhoods have been invited - to give the student body a wider range of knowledge of the work of Brothers. Speakers will include Alexian, Servite, and Franciscan Brothers.

There will be a schoolwide liturgy

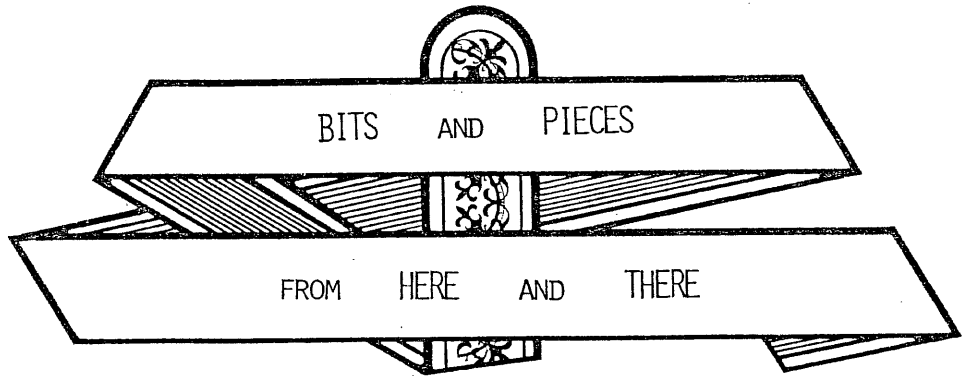
on March 18 and a free day following in honor of St. Joseph. Members of the vocation awareness committee include Brothers James Reddy, Louis Mangini, Donald Fleischhacker, Chester Rachel, and Mr. John Guldan, head of the Department of Religious Studies.

NEW POST OFFICE BOXES AT CENTER

Some changes have necessitated several new post office box numbers. The Provincial House (#460) and the Junior College (#308) retain the box numbers indicated. New numbers include:

- #744: Association of St. Joseph
- #716: Holy Cross Brothers Center
- #706: Dujarie House (Infirmary)

Mail might be received more quickly if these numbers are used in the addresses.



Brothers Walter Foken, Walter Davenport, and Maynard Rabidou will be in Chicago April 11 to 14 for the annual conventions of the NCEA and NCBEA.

Father John Keefe, C.S.C. will preach a retreat at the Brothers' Center beginning at 6 a.m. on Wednesday of Holy Week and concluding with the Easter Vigil Holy Saturday evening. The theme of the retreat will be the application of Scripture to personal life. Any Brothers wishing to make the retreat along with the Brothers at the Center should contact Brother Thomas Moser.

Brothers Cyprian Milke (45 years) and John Dobrogowski (31 years) were honored as a part of "225 years of dedicated service" celebrating Brother Francis Borgia Woehler's (S-W) golden jubilee in Sherman Oaks. Other (S-W) Brothers participating were Marco Daly (36), Thomas Frey (31), and Carl Smith (31).

Brother James Linscott, Administrator of Our Lady of Guadalupe parish in Milford, Indiana, lives at the rectory of St. John Evangelist parish in Goshen, where Father Larry Tippmann is the pastor. With the two nuns at the parish school they form a small community for Matins and Mass each morning and for Vespers in the evening. Occasionally, all four have their evening meal together, alternating between the rectory and the convent.

One of the recent Hoban newsletters ran a story on the Akron Chapter of the Associates of St. Joseph. The article listed the following Moderators of the Chapter over the years:

1960 - 1962	Br. John Aubry	1972 - 1973	Br. Donald Morgan
1962 - 1964	Br. Dominic Elder	1973 - 1974	Br. Robert Vaughn
1964 - 1969	Br. Paul Kelly	1974 - 1981	Br. Joseph Fox
1969 - 1972	Br. John Schuszler	1981 -	Br. Gregoire Bleau

Brother Ives Kilroy had successful prostate surgery at the hospital in LaPorte in late February and is now recovering at Le Mans Academy.

Father Joseph Barry, C.S.C., is presently recovering at Holy Cross House from a slight stroke suffered on February 3. He hopes to return to Hoban in Akron in about a month.

On April 20 Brother Pedro Haering will speak at the house meeting at Holy Cross, River Grove. He will give an "inside view" of the services, opportunities, needs, and advantages at Dujarie House Infirmary.

BROTHER ALBERTO BONDY "STANDS-IN"

Father Marcel La Londe, C.S.C., rector of St. Joseph's Oratory, is in Rome to finalize plans for the beatification of Brother Andre. He has engaged an artist, Signore Alfovino Missori, to do an oil painting of Brother Andre. The painting will hang from the balcony of St. Peter's during the ceremony. Signore Missori, an artist often employed for such work, asked if the community in Rome could provide a living model dressed as Brother Andre did. Brother Alberto Bondy was chosen. The artist is paying special attention to the design of the habit and cord and is doing particularly detailed work on the hands. The moment Brother Andre is declared beatified the painting will be unveiled in St. Peter's square. It will later reside in the shrine at Montreal. Copies of the painting will be used on holy cards of Brother Andre and be distributed generally.

FROM DUJARIE HOUSE

Brother Damian Daele, who has been recovering here from January surgery, is feeling well enough to take up rosary-making again.

Brother Polycarp Newman returned to the Center on March 2 after spending about a week with us.

Brother Paul Mattingly (Anton, until recently) has been helping us out here since his return to the Center.

Several Brothers from nearby houses joined us on March 6 for the Sacrament of the Anointing, which Father Raymond Cour conducts three times a year (Advent, Lent, and July).

Mrs. Margaret Guilfay, cousin of Brother Francis Assisi, came to visit him on February 27.

A buffet supper, followed by a musical program planned by Mr. Robert Brown (our "night nurse"), is scheduled for our St. Patrick's Day observance.

Some of the Brothers, more of the Staff, and a few visitors have jumped into the "pool" to choose the day when they believe we will see the last of the mound of ice/

snow outside the front door. The mound is still more than four feet tall as of March 5.

FROM GHANA

Brother Joseph Tsiquaye, District Superior of Ghana, was re-elected at the pre-Christmas Chapter, attended by Brother Philip Armstrong, Provincial. Father Joe Higgins represented the General Administration at the six-day session.

Brother Joseph writes in the latest edition of THE AFRICAN SCENE: "The New Year was ushered in in a unique way when at the unusual hour of 11 a.m. on the eve an announcement was made over Radio Ghana that the army had once more stepped in to clear up/out certain unwanted elements in the ruling party. It was hours later when we learned who the leader was. He is Flight Lt. J.J. Rawlings, the leader of the June 4 Revolution in 1979.

This time he had declared Holy War on corruption and he is working toward the mobilization of the masses for maximum productivity. It is too early to know what will happen. He has charisma and commands a lot of respect. His style is different from what it was in 1979. He's unmistakably in charge of things. How it all happened is still much a mystery. He was retired by the previous government. He has been using persuasive language and approach which making it quite clear that when persuasian fails he will be left with only one alternative: 'Unprecedented Revolutionary Action.'

"Right now we have a great task of helping to create the religious and Christian atmosphere as there will be a real change of heart out of which can emerge real selfless leaders in all sectors of the society so we will see a better future. We live in revolutionary times working to give a ray of hope to people."



FROM BROTHERS' CENTER TO WEST AFRICA

The amateur radio communications between Notre Dame and West Africa have been in progress for twenty months. The first communications between 9G1RF, Father Bob Gilmour and W9NBU, Brother Eric Landers, took place July 17, 1980. Father Bob is at St. John's School, Sekondi, Ghana.

Some of the things done by way of radio communications with Ghana include:

- ordering and mailing a Volkswagen replacement part,
- ordering a replacement part for a movie projector,
- phone patching Brother Raymond Papenfuss to his brother in Wisconsin,
- phone patching Father Bob and Brothers Raymond and Vincent Gross, to the Brothers at the Provincial House,
- relaying approval for novices taking first vows,
- phone patching the Holy Child Sisters to their Sisters in the States,
- phone patching Peace Corps members to their folks in the States,
- sending message to Brother Rex Hennel of his brother-in-law's death and phone patching him with his sister in Cleveland, to console her over the loss of her husband.

With the kindness of Franciscan Father Romulus (9G1RC) and Brother Mitchell (9G1MQ), both at Cape Coast, Ghana, we have been able to get messages back and forth to Brothers William Gates and Frederick McGlynn. Brothers Charles Krupp and William Gates completed a purchase of Bibles for St. Augustine's.

Brother David Naples (ELZAU) and Donard Steffes (ELZAL) arrived at St. Patrick's in Monrovia in January, 1981. It did not take them long to set up their station and obtain their licenses. The first contact with David was on January 26, 1981. The first "meeting" with Donard was February 24. Both men use the same station equipment. Brother David does most of the official business back to Notre Dame. Some of the matters conducted with Liberia include:

- communications back and forth to Brother Chester Rachel in River Grove regarding basketball uniforms for Liberia. The uniforms have now arrived and Chester will receive pictures of the teams in their uniforms,
- purchasing and mailing new parts for Ditto machines,
- purchasing batteries and basketball nets,
- having optical glasses made and sent to Brother Donard,
- phone patching Brother Edward Foken to his parents in Cincinnati,
- phone patching Brother David Naples to his folks in Akron,
- during one phone patch Brother Philip Armstrong was able to talk to both Father Bob in Ghana and Brother David in Liberia at the same time.

(Brother Eric Landers)

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FROM ST. EDWARD'S, LAKEWOOD

- St. Edward debaters were awarded the winning trophy in the annual St. Ignatius Winter Classic Debate Tournament.
- Brother Kenneth Kane's instrumental music students won a total of 64 first and second division awards in Class A competition last month.
- Three former St. Ed's students, at Michigan State, Clemson, and Cal Poly have been named college All-American in wrestling....The wrestling varsity won its fifth consecutive Catholic Invitational Championship....And the freshmen wrestling team was undefeated and untied for the first time in three years.
- The United Nations flag was presented to only four of 130 schools participating in the North American Model United Nations sponsored by Georgetown University. The team from St. Ed's received one of the four flags.
- Principal, Brother Charles Pinto, will be leaving St. Ed's at the end of the current school year to assume similar responsibilities at Holy Trinity in Chicago.

FROM HOLY TRINITY, CHICAGO

- The number of students who took the first entrance examination this year increased by nearly one-third over the number in each of the last two years.
- Newly appointed principal, Brother Charles Pinto, was guest at a faculty reception on February 28. He spent Monday talking with faculty members and becoming acquainted with the school.
- Brothers John Benesh and Charles Krupp will each chair one of the sessions at the NCEA Convention at McCormick Place, April 12-15.
- The third annual Talent Show was on March 14, and the second annual Las Vegas nights comes up April 16 and 17.
- Brother John Benesh was elected to the Board of Directors of the Northwest Community Organization (NCO). N.C.O. has had strong church ties from its beginning and continues to work for the preservation and improvement of the residential character of the neighborhoods near Holy Trinity.
- Brother Jerome Kroetsch is now living with the Noble Street Community. He began studies February 22 at Coyne American Institute where he will complete his two courses: air conditioning/refrigeration and industrial electronics by November. After that he plans to return to St. Joseph School of Industrial Trades in Dacca.
- Brother John Benesh will represent the Midwest Province at the national meeting (March 14-16) of CSC Sisters, Brothers, and priests who are involved in ministry among Hispanic people. The meeting is in Long Beach, California.

FROM HOLY CROSS, RIVER GROVE

- The music department presented its annual concert at 2:00 pm on March 6. There were presentations from all levels of the music department: the varsity band, the intermediate band, and the newly formed Jazzband.
- The Holy Grail Chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 25 new members on February 17....The Illinois State Schol-

arship Commission has released the names of the 1982-3 Illinois State Scholars. Thirty-eight Holy Cross seniors were on the list....Four Holy Cross students have been named finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

- The Fathers' Club sponsored a Father/Son Mass on February 28. Brother Donald Allen and Mr. Ernie Vessini were co-organizers. Brother Eugene Weisenberger played the organ. Brother Donald Fleischhacker prepared the liturgy and distributed Holy Communion, assisted by Brothers James Reddy and Thomas Corcoran (who also led the singing). Brother Raymond Dufresne and the Ladies Guild served refreshments after Mass.
- Registration for all students presently in school was held from February 22 through March 12....Group orientation for about 300 eighth grade boys who have been accepted for next fall was given on March 4 in the evening.
- The Ladies Guild will hold its annual dinner/dance on March 18 at the school. Themes for the evening will involve several large cities of the U.S.
- The latest joint venture of Holy Cross and Mother Guerin high schools will be the presentation of the musical "Li'l Abner" March 25 through 28 in the Guerin auditorium. Brother Chester Rachel will be the stage manager for the production.
- The guidance department administered a series of educational development tests to 600 freshmen and sophomores on February 26. Juniors and Seniors enjoyed a free day.
- Class rings were distributed to 115 members of the Junior Class at a Ring Mass ceremony on February 7. The Ring Mass has been an annual highlight of the Junior Year since 1974. Father Richard Downs, C.S.C. presided at the liturgy and the blessing of the rings. Brothers assisting with the liturgy in various capacities included Eugene Weisenberger, Donald Allen, James Reddy, Thomas Corcoran, and Don Fleischhacker. The Ladies Guild provided refreshments after the ceremony.



EDITOR'S COLUMN

Perhaps many of us have become familiar with the ZIGGY cartoons. One of my favorites appeared several years ago and I have (obviously) not forgotten it. Ziggy says "thanks to today's media I am now able to worry about problems all over the world." The evening newscasts, the daily papers, the newsweeklies continually remind us of our worsening economy, of wars declared and undeclared in El Salvador, in the middle East, in Ireland, of people dying of malnutrition and starvation nearly everywhere in the world. Sometimes we are forced to cry out "Is there good news anywhere?"

There is, of course, the "Good News" of the Gospel but one wonders if governments (our own in the forefront) are on the brink of making the Gospel irrelevant. And as I was somewhat heartened this past month in reading through the February issue of SOJOURNERS. (Probably more of us are familiar with ZIGGY!) The theme of the issue is "Peace Breaks Out in Europe." I would recommend it to everyone. From that issue I am going to take the liberty of copying a letter. All I know is that it is from "a Catholic sister living in Chicago" and it appears on page 29. I hope you will read it.

(Pedro Haering, C.S.C.)

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“ This year I received a Christmas card from a young man studying in Moscow. The card has a charming country snow scene filled with playing children. Some are making a snowman, others skating and pushing sleds. Only the postmark on the envelope and the imprint on the card make it clear that these are Soviet children, not American. These are our enemies. In current political jargon, in case of a nuclear attack they are "collateral damage."

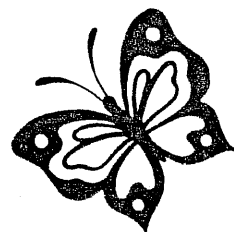
The card has brought home to me as nothing else that the arms race is indeed a machine gone mad. How can two "superpowers" continue to point weapons of indiscriminate destruction at each other's children, so fragile, so delightful, so equal in grace and beauty and human dignity, our most precious heritage and the hope of our race?

I'm going to have my own exercise in disarmament. I'm going to keep that Moscow Christmas card in a place where I will look at it every day. Each day I will look at those little Russian brothers and sisters and pray for them and their counterparts all over the world. I will, of course, have to include all their parents. That will mean praying for our enemies.

Enemies? I have a strong suspicion that enemies in prayer do not remain enemies very long. It is a risk, of course. But who knows? Peace is a gift from God entrusted to us, and there is no point in leaving it in the box."

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WORD WAS RECEIVED FROM THE ORATORY THAT THE OFFICIAL MONTREAL CELEBRATION OF BROTHER ANDRE'S BEATIFICATION WILL BE ON SUNDAY, JUNE 20, 1982, AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE OLYMPIC STADIUM IN MONTREAL. ANY CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE ORATORY REGARDING ARRANGEMENTS, ACCOMMODATIONS, ETC., SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO "BEATIFICATION OFFICE" RATHER THAN ANY PARTICULAR PERSON.

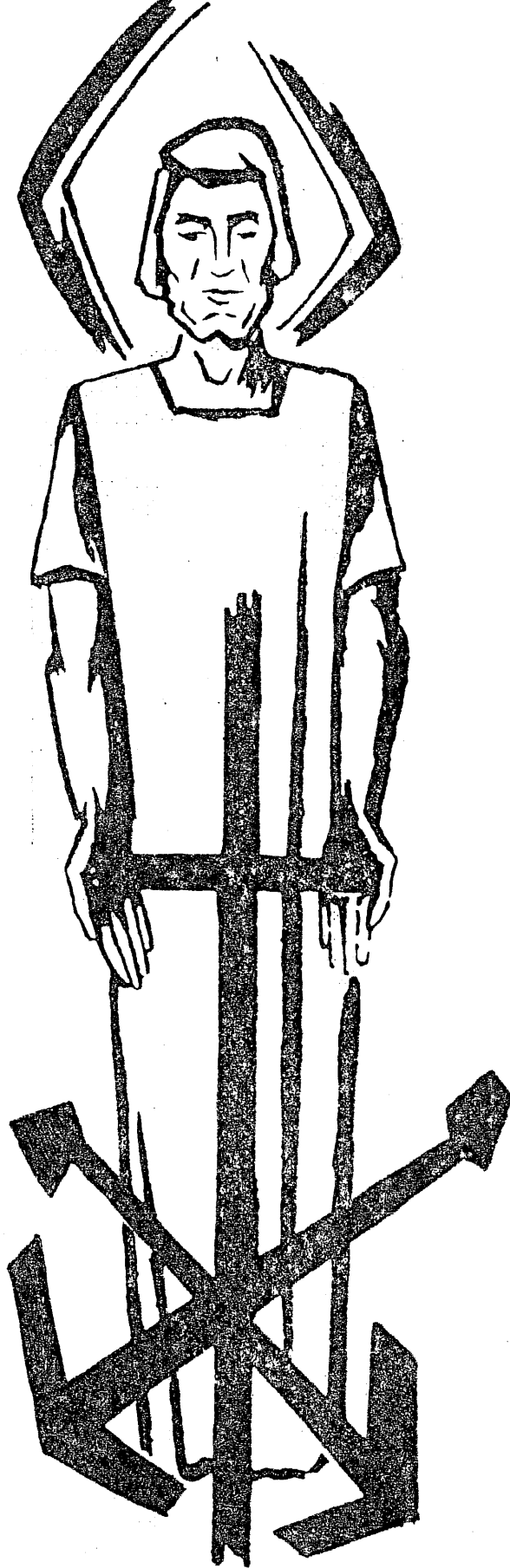


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IN OUR PRAYERS

- Mrs. Marie Fox, mother of Brother Joseph Fox (Akron Hoban), died on February 17.
- Mrs. Eunice Kelly, stepmother of Brother Paul Kelly (Columba Hall), died in Fortville, Indiana on February 25.
- Mr. Thomas O'Malley, father of Brother Thomas O'Malley (Chicago Trinity), died on March 7.
- Brother Celestis Mueller is back in M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston and requests our prayers.

GOD CALLED HIM "FATHER"



Those fabled cities he never saw -  
The things he never got to do -  
because of Jesus.  
The human joys he sacrificed -  
The life-time dreams he had forgot -  
because of Jesus.  
He was scorned by the worldly-wise  
because he was insignificant;  
just an honest working man  
Yet he clothed and housed  
the God who flung the stars,  
built the world,  
and clothed the Lilies of the Field.  
Those rough, calloused carpenter hands  
never held the Eucharistic Bread of Life;  
but they soothed Mary's brow  
in Bethlehem's cold and windy barn.  
He was never a Priest -  
Yet it was given him to feed  
Jesus Christ.

People called him Joe or Joseph  
or just 'Hey, you!'  
But he was the only man  
God ever called 'Father.'  
To the Most Pure Virgin-Mother  
He was Most Chaste Spouse  
When the great Angel of Death  
reached out and tenderly closed  
his tired eyes -  
Joseph's last sight was of  
the weeping face of Jesus.  
A final pulse-beat later  
he was in the glorious smiling Presence  
of that same God.

To the busy, material world around him  
he was nothing.  
A nobody.  
But what a precious soul it was  
that rejoicing Battalions of Angels  
escorted to the eternal Throne  
Blessed Layman!  
Spouse of the Immaculate Ever-Virgin Mary!

Never Pope.  
Nor Bishop  
Nor even Priest;  
yet  
Foster-Father of Christ's  
Mystical Body.  
Patron of  
the Universal Church.

Joseph, true Star of Bethlehem  
First to welcome Jesus to Earth;  
Most Chaste Spouse of Mary  
Remember us.  
Pray for us.

Anonymous