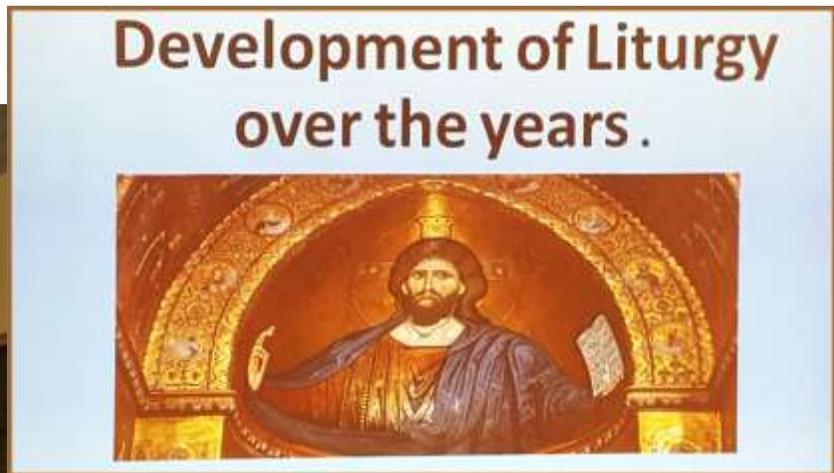


# MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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Fr. Jose Beltran, a student resident at Columba Hall, presented a brief view of the development of rites in the church. The presentation was given on Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, after supper in Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel on the third floor. A number of short videos embedded in a PowerPoint presentation were used.



## Perfume Wars

It should also be noted that Fr. Jose has been helpful in keeping skunks away from under the building in the Bessette House section of Columba Hall. Sausage patties from breakfast have proved to be the best lure! Two skunks are presently caged. Now how should the caged skunks be picked up and moved without ...?

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### Thoughts for Each Day

From Basile Moreau, C.S.C.

Each day of the year on the homepage of the Midwest Province website, <http://www.brothersofholycross.com>, is posted in the right column a unique thought for the day from the writings of Basile Moreau, CSC. These have been gathered together in a booklet by Brother Joel Giallanza.

By making a link on the desktop of your computer, tablet, or smart phone to the above webpage, you will be able daily to access and read these lines of inspiration from our founder.



## France to Vincennes to Notre Dame



A few weeks ago, Brother Ken Haders asked me if I could help on a project. He foresees a special celebration in each school commemorating the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Congregation's arrival in the United States. Maybe a "poster display" he suggested. I

thought a PowerPoint program would be easier since each slide could be converted into a poster.

I agreed to help and found references to build the story from when Father Moreau was contacted to how he selected Holy Cross people for the United States. Helpful authors were: Br Garnier Morin, Fr Arthur Hope, Br Kilian Beirne, Br George Klawitter, Thomas Schlereth, and Marvin O'Connell. The story began in August 1839 when Bishop Celestine Hailandière met Father Moreau in Le Mans, and requested "teaching brothers" to come to his diocese of Vincennes. On September 13, 1841 seven Holy Cross men sent by Father Moreau arrived in New York after 35 days of sailing across the Atlantic from Le Havre.

Bishop Hailandière had requested three Brothers, but Father Moreau sent seven Holy Cross men. Besides three teachers, he sent three more Brothers, (a tailor/cook, a carpenter, and a farmer) and Edward Sorin, their chaplain/superior. According to the constitutions which Father Moreau approved for the Congregation, a Holy Cross priest would accompany any group of Brothers on missionary ventures.

The following Power Point show [*"France to Vincennes to Notre Dame"*] illustrates the sequence of events on the route and the experiences the Holy Cross missionaries faced on their journey to Indiana and eventually to Notre Dame.

**Brother Lawrence Stewart**

**(Slide 1)**

The Congregation of Holy Cross arrived from France in September, 1841. This is the story of their first year, 175 years ago, and their eventual settlement along the St. Joseph River in Northern Indiana and the founding of the University of Notre Dame. It is a chronological look with photos, diagrams, and captions to explain the route and experiences of the “Seven Founders.”

*[Prepared by Brother Larry Stewart, CSC, Midwest Province Archivist]*

**To view PowerPoint (You will need the PowerPoint software on your computer) click on the website link below:**

<http://brothersofholycross.com/history/frawnce-to-vincennes/>

## New Email Addresses for the General Administration

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## Saint Brother André High School

### Letter from Brother Michael Amakyi to Brother Chester Freel

Dear Br. Chester,

Greetings!

I am writing to inform you that a ceremonial handing over of Phase One of the Brother Andre School project took place on Saturday, January 28, 2017. Some Brothers joined me at the site on Saturday for the simple ceremony to take possession of the three buildings that Kintek constructed. The ground floor of the classroom is ready to be used. The dormitory needs a few touchups here and there. The Brothers' residence is generally ready for us to move stuff in for occupancy. We have six months to draw the attention of Kintek to any problem we will have when we move in.

Now we turn our attention to readying the place for school to commence this academic year. We have a lot to do, but I am optimistic we are ready for the task, with God on our side.

Let me take this opportunity to once again express my gratitude for your support and that of the Province in bringing the project to this stage. It would certainly not be possible without your assistance. Thank you most sincerely.

I have attached a few pictures. I will send some more later.

God bless,

Michael



**South View of Brothers Residence**



**Handing Over**



**Courtyard of Brothers' House**



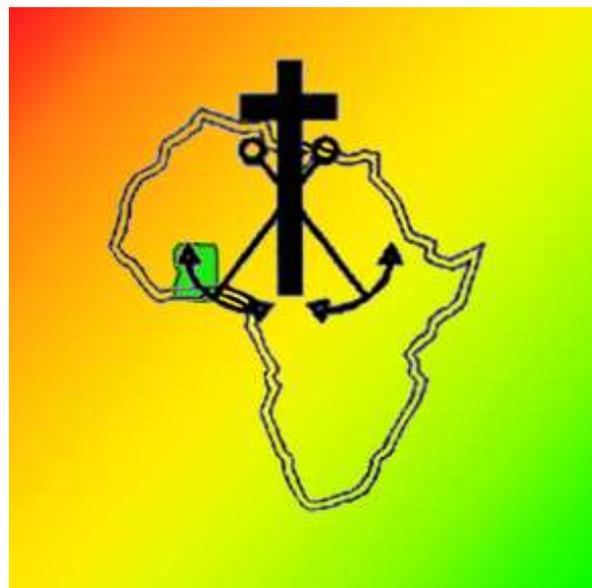
**Brothers' House**



**Completion of Phase One**



**Bedroom at Brothers' House**



## Gilmour, Hoban and St. Eds are Successful in First Round of Ohio Mock Trial Competition

### Gilmour Mock Trial Team Records Stellar Performance

1/30/2017

Last Friday, the Mock Trial team participated in the Lake County competition and took the competition by storm! The team won every individual award possible, including Best Lawyer for the Plaintiff (Sebastian Williams '18), Best Lawyer for the Defense (Lauriel Powell '18), Best Witness for the Plaintiff (Rajeel Zafar '18) and Best Witness for the Defense (Nikhil Nair '17).



This year the OCLRE (Ohio Center for Law-Related Education) came up with a case that could not be more timely - a news report about a candidate that was false and defamatory. The Mock Trial team is grateful to its legal mentors Brandon Cox '03 and Brendan Kelley '08, who were both highly successful as speech and debate and Mock Trial team members during their time at GA.

### Three Hoban Mock Trial Teams Advance to Regionals



Three Hoban mock trial teams qualified for regional competition at the Summit County districts Jan. 20. Regionals are scheduled for Feb. 10.

Hoban's Team Sotomayer placed second in a field of 20 teams. Team Gold and Team Blue also advanced to regionals. All three teams won both their trials. Hoban entered five teams into district competition.

Outstanding attorney awards were given to freshman Eva Klockner, sophomore Andrew Rinaldi, juniors Jack Bennett, and Maria Dhinojwala and seniors Katie Clark, Bryce Dzubara, and Frank Kelley.

Outstanding Witnesses named were freshmen Maddie Ferrie and Alexis Smith, juniors Devon Simmons and Jake Thoman and seniors Ellie Redle and Lauren Shoemaker.



### St. Edward Mock Trial Team



Together, the St. Edward Mock Trial Team, led by their coaches **Mrs. Suzanne Fairfield, Mrs. Mary Kate Hermann, Ms. Cari White, and Mrs. Beka DeChant** had their most successful season opening to date. The team

participated in the OCLRE District Competition on January 20 and three teams progressed to the OCLRE Regional Competition.

The successful start to the season is a testament to all of the hours of hard work put in by members of the team. **John Hayes, Ricky Gilmore, Colin Pender, Justin Herold, Brian Mingus, Charlie Giganti, Anthony Semerano, Joseph Naser,**

**Ryan Brooks, Riley McNamee, Jared Perkowski, Joey Ferenchak, James Welch, J.P. McMaken, Carter Evard, Connor Fairfield, Nathan Stuart, Joe Rigutto, Colin Schilf, Max Wagner, Brandon Tarcha, Logan Cummings, Anthony Kaleal, Sean McCarthy, Richard Monastra, Edwin Aldrich, Peter Wilson, Justin Slaght, Parker Richardson, Chase White, and Cameron Yuhasz** can be found in the History wing before school, during community period, and after school—seemingly every day—working together to achieve their goals with constant help and support from the Legal Eagles, including:

**Jim Niehaus, John Duffy, Rob Cahill, Michelle Gerrerd, Michael VanNeil, Michael Vaccaro, Brendan Heil, Scott Stewart, John Wargo, Bryan O'Malley, and Dennis Butler.**

**Gilmore, White, McCarthy, Naser, and Rigutto** all earned best attorney honors for their teams while **Mingus, Evard, Rigutto, Yuhasz, Richardson, Perkowski, and Wagner** all earned best witness honors.

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## Reflection



Health is the greatest possession.  
Contentment is the greatest treasure.  
Confidence is the greatest friend.

—Lao Tzu

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## Thursday (Tomorrow) is the World Day for Consecrated Life



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*Feast of the Presentation of the Lord  
World Day for Consecrated Life*

My brothers in Holy Cross,

The most enduring image that I have of religious life is seeing one of our senior brothers in the chapel, head slightly inclined, slowly saying his personal prayers. Deeper consecration is not necessarily doing new things, but doing old things better.

Fidelity is key to religious commitment. In today's Gospel reading, we meet Simeon and Anna, elders in the Jewish community. Anna was once a young widow whose grief was transformed over time by the hope found in God's promise to His people. She watched and she waited. Her older age was without bitterness. Simeon, a righteous and devout servant of the Lord, is called in the Orthodox tradition Simeon Theodochos, the God-receiver. It is in his arms that Joseph and Mary place their gift, the child Jesus. We echo his joy as we recite, "Lord, now you let your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My eyes have seen the salvation You have prepared in the sight of every people, a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people, Israel."

The Lord is indeed faithful. Over the past six months, in my capacity as Councilor for Formation and Vocation Director, I have had the privilege of visiting our young men in formation. In September, Bro. Bill Zaydak and I spent time with our novices in Peru and temporary professed in Chile. Next, I

travelled to Holy Cross College to support the discernment process of Andrew Morales, our aspirant, and Dustin Nelson, our postulant. A few weeks later, John Sebastian Gutierrez shared with me his experience of novitiate formation in Colorado. Lastly, at the start of this new year, Bro. Paul Bednarczyk and I facilitated a workshop in Uganda for the brothers of the District who sought answers to questions such as what are the identity and role of a religious brother in the context of East Africa.

I am filled with gratitude for Divine Providence who has placed into our collective arms these fine young men. While each has his own talents, dreams, and challenges, what they all have in common is the desire to set their ordinary lives apart for a sacred purpose – to be consecrated unto the Lord. Coming from humble families, these men have freely and generously left behind the pursuit of money, status, a partner, a career. Their surrender to God’s love is from the heart.

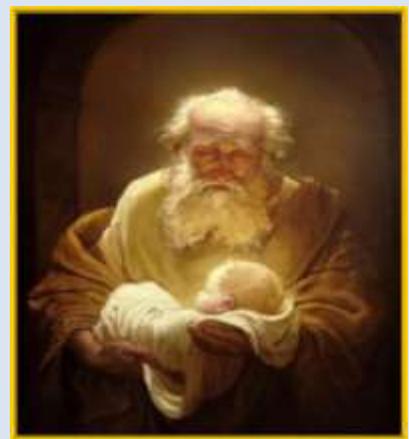
Like Simeon and Anna, we have spent countless hours in the chapel, watching and waiting. Like them, our lives have been set apart for a holy mission. We are the *Theodochoi*, the God-receivers of our time, the prophets who “stand before the world as signs of that which has enduring value” (C5,45). Gratitude and joy are the heart’s response to God’s benevolence. Now, Master, you can let your servants go in peace because we have seen the light of the world and are passing it on to the next generation of Holy Cross religious, men with hope to bring.

*“This is the beauty Of consecration: it is joy, joy!”  
~ Pope Francis*

In Holy Cross,

*Bro. Jonathan, CSC*

Bro. Jonathan P. Beebe, CSC  
Vocation Director



## Holy Cross College and Sisters of the Holy Cross Regarding US Immigration Policy

### **Holy Cross College**

As a Catholic higher education institution, Holy Cross College is opposed to the recent executive order signed by President Donald J. Trump concerning U.S. immigration policy. As an essential and enduring part of its mission, Holy Cross College has always welcomed students from all walks of life – especially immigrants and refugees – with joy, love, and hope. We benefit greatly from their presence, and we believe that the diversity they bring to our community makes us a better and more complete institution.

Our Catholic faith calls us to respect the dignity of all people, and Pope Francis calls us to embrace with hospitality those who have been marginalized. In answering these calls, we are committed to sustaining an inclusive campus environment that remains open to people of all faiths and cultures. We recognize our moral obligation to assist those searching for a better life and acknowledge the ability of higher education to serve this need.

In keeping with our mission, we therefore stand in solidarity with other Catholic and higher education organizations in opposing this order.

Sincerely,

**Brother John R. Paige C.S.C.**

President

Holy Cross College

Notre Dame, Indiana 46556

## **Sisters of the Holy Cross**

We, the Sisters of the Holy Cross, an international congregation of Catholic religious women serving vulnerable people on four continents, are deeply disturbed by United States President Donald Trump's recent executive order on immigration and refugee resettlement. Our Congregation's core value of compassion "compels us to stand with and embrace others in their suffering, that together we may experience God's liberating and healing presence." We stand in solidarity with other people of faith who seek to live the Biblical mandate of "Welcoming the Stranger."

"When the alien/stranger resides with you in your land, you shall not oppress that stranger. The alien who resides with you shall be to you as the citizen among you; you shall love the alien/stranger as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt; I am the Lord your God." – Leviticus 19:33

We respectfully ask President Trump to rescind this executive order which denigrates the values on which the United States and so many other countries of our world were founded. We believe that implementing a living culture of peace and nonviolence is the only path to "greatness."

Sister M. Veronique (Wiedower), CSC  
President  
Sisters of the Holy Cross

## **Brother William Mewes**

Brother William is in Tucson, AZ, for family ministry as his brother had a severe stroke. Bill requests prayers for his brother and himself.

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