# MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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#### Jun 1, 2022

## The Ascension

"Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way you saw him going into heaven." (Acts 1:11)





#### Memorial Day Columba Hall

As a prelude to Mass, Soloists Brothers Philip Smith and George Klawitter were accompanied by Brother Daniel Kane on the organ with Memorial Day hymns.

Decorations for Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel were inspired by Brother NicholasThielman.

Following Mass, was a Memorial Day picnic on the patio:

## 2022 Memorial Day Meal Prayer

Gracious God, on this Memorial Day we remember and give thanks for those who have given their lives in the service of our country. When the need was greatest, they stepped forward and did their duty. Help us to remember that freedom is not free. There are times when its cost is, indeed, dear. Never let us forget those who paid so terrible a price to ensure that freedom would be our legacy and the legacy of all countries.

May our noon time meal be one of gratitude and appreciation to those who care for us in mind and body. May we remember all those who make this meal possible and so we say together "Bless us, etc.















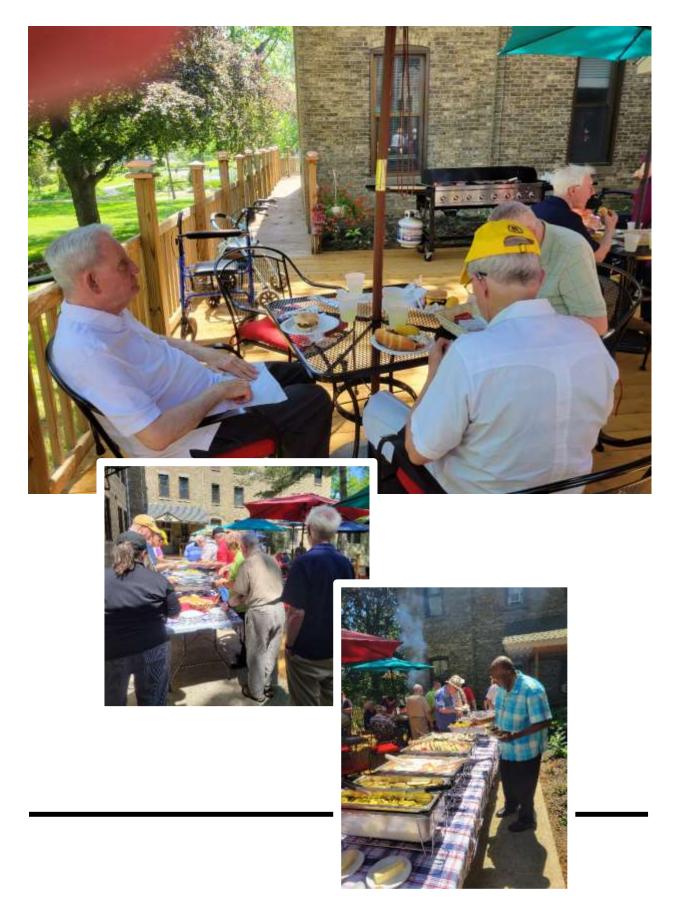












Brother Francis Boylan, C.S.C. – I am in Bangladesh! I have arrived in Bangladesh...at Holy Cross school..Rajshahi









#### Kunditani

(left) Praying in thanksgiving for his visit in the US and asking for safe travel home, on a stop at the chapel in La Porte

On, May 31, 2022, 9:30 EST, Ken was back in Ghana traveling. He had just left Kumasi after 5 hours driving from Cape Coast and had about 6 more hours to travel before reaching his destination.

## We are Privileged

We are blessed to have many of our Holy Cross priests available as Mass celebrants.

On Thursday, May 26, Father Garbriel Griggs, newly ordained priest for the Congregation of Holy Cross, said Mass in Columba Hall for the Brothers. After Mass, he joined everyone for supper in the dining room. Father Griggs has been serving this past year as rector of Keogh Hall on the Notre Dame campus.





#### Holy Cross Roads Writings for the Journey

#### Why the Desert?

Filled with the Holy Spirit Jesus was led into the desert. He spent forty days living the desert life. What people do not often realize about the desert is that besides being stark and desolate something wonderful can happen. The desert can also be full of life. Seeds that were buried long ago suddenly burst into meadows of flowers with only a few days of rain. The rain comes very rarely at unexpected times.

We too are living in unexpected times having to deal with the pandemic and war. As always, Jesus shows us the way. He endured all of the temptations that the desert could bring. But through it all he drew on an inner strength. The memory of his father's words was present in his spirit. "You are my beloved son in whom I am well pleased." The knowledge of his father's unconditional love was like "rain bursting into a meadow of flowers."

In the desert of our discontent, we need to draw on the waters of our Baptism to ward off what tempts us to lose heart. We are God's people who also have God's unconditional love and who promises to be with us in all circumstances. Let us trust that our Lent will soon blossom into the resurrection.

- What has been your experience of the desert?
- Have you ever had a spiritual "desert experience?"
- If so, has this spiritual desert experience led to a more mature Christian life?

O God, help me draw on your unconditional love to strengthen me through the desert experiences in my life.



## Brother Carl Sternberg, C.S.C.

For more reflections to grow spiritually please visit our new blog <u>https://weeklyspiritualinsights.org/</u>

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## From the Voice of Moreau Website

The website features a Holy Cross sister, a brother, or a priest, with a weekly story on the blog. Check the following link below.

Website:





Brother Philip Smith

Brother Ben Rossi

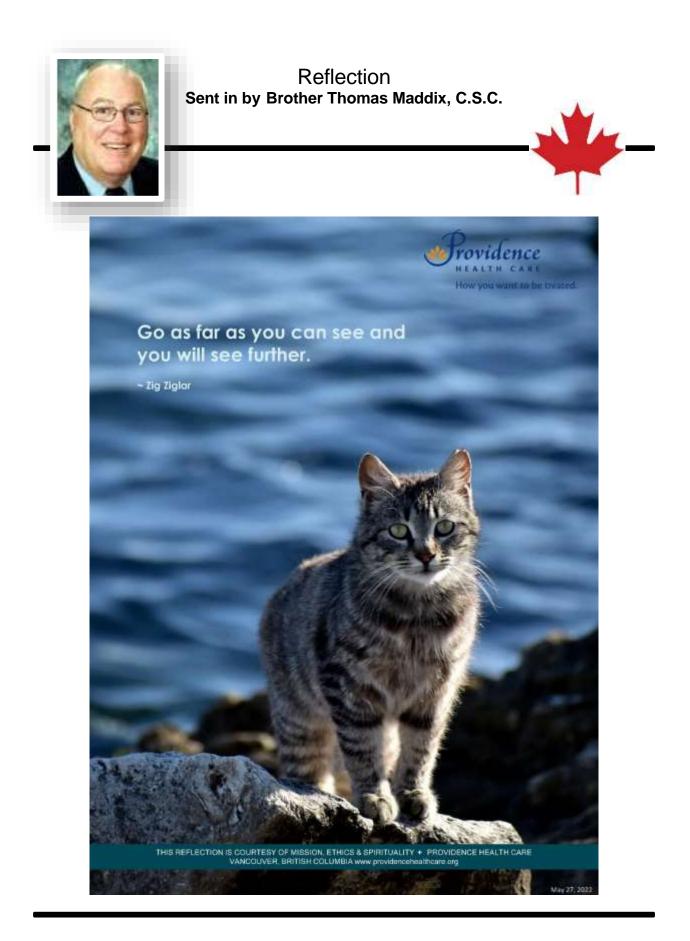


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