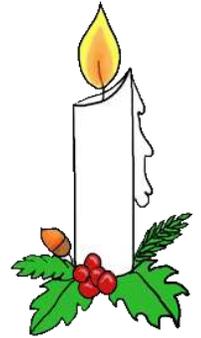


MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

Brothers of Holy Cross – Midwest Province - P.O. Box 460 – Notre Dame, Indiana 46556-0460

December 6, 2017



1st Week
of Advent

Brother Paul Julian Rosonke, C.S.C *January 9, 1934 – December 4, 2017*

Brother Paul Julian Rosonke, C.S.C., age 83, died on December 4, 2017, at Dujarie House, in Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame, Indiana. He was born in rural Carroll, Iowa, on January 9, 1934, the son of Leo and Mary Theresa (Reiling) Rosonke. He attended Our Lady of Mount Carmel Elementary and High School graduating in June 1952. He had lost his father at the age of 10 and the family (mother and two sisters) moved in with his uncle and family. He worked on the farm and learned mechanical skills from his uncle. Paul wrote for information about the Holy Cross Brothers and visited Sacred Heart Juniorate in Watertown. His mother encouraged him to join Holy Cross. He went to Watertown as a postulant and then St. Joseph's Novitiate in Rolling Prairie, Indiana, and made his first profession as a Holy Cross Brother on February 2, 1954.



With his mechanical talents and farming experience, he stayed at the Novitiate for four years to assist in the farming chores and maintenance work. In 1958, he was assigned to Watertown in charge of maintenance care and improvements at the Academy. He studied the electrician's trade and obtained a license and also learned welding. In 1968, he joined the Brothers' faculty at the new Holy Cross High School in River Grove, Illinois, as head of the maintenance department. He designed a moveable rack to carry the large wrestling mats for quick set-up and storage. He also designed a unique cylindrical cart to store 10 basketballs, earned a patent, and then sold it. While at River Grove he was influenced by Brothers Fergus Burns and Edward Olszowka and became active in charismatic prayer gatherings.

In 1977, he received an invitation from a priest friend to come minister to needy people on the Cheyenne River Reservation in Cherry Creek, South Dakota. The venture also interested two other Brothers, James Newberry and James Kumba. Many Native Americans valued their work for seven years. Paul was honored and received a Lakota tribal blanket and was given the name, "Wawokyia," which means "*One Who Serves People.*" The Brothers spent 7 years living and assisting on the Reservation. In 1984, Paul returned to Notre Dame to serve on the maintenance staff at the Brothers Center and at Columba Hall until 1993 when he took a 2-year charismatic retreat at a Benedictine Monastery in Pecos, New Mexico. In 1995 he moved to Texas and spent 6 years on the maintenance staff of Holy Cross High School in San Antonio and then moved to Austin where he served 11 years at St. Ignatius Church on the staff for maintenance needs and as a prayer minister to the needy in the parish until 2012, when he returned to Notre Dame and retired at Columba Hall to pursue a variety of his mechanical hobbies.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, December 9th, 2017, at Our Lady of Holy Cross Chapel in the Schubert Villa-Dujarie House Complex from 9:30 to 11:00 am on the grounds of Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame. The Mass of Resurrection will then follow with interment in St. Joseph's Cemetery of the Village. Kaniewski Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Memorial contributions, in honor of Brother Paul Rosonke, C.S.C., to support the mission and ministries of the Brothers may be sent to: Brothers of Holy Cross, Office of Development, P.O. Box 460, Notre Dame, IN 46556.

Brother Lawrence Stewart

Father David Tyson, CSC
Holy Cross College President
Nov. 29, 2017



Over lunch, Father Tyson shared with the Brothers at Columba Hall the overall plans for Holy Cross College. He was very enthusiastic about the future of the college.



At the conclusion of Fr. Tyson's presentation on what he outlined as the unique feature and future of Holy Cross College, I was impressed by his enthusiasm, his educational beliefs, his great respect for the history of the College and his own commitment to the position of president. He demonstrated the many ways he personally is engaged in the life of the College: interviewing former students, recruiting visionary department heads and vice presidents; collaborating with St. Mary's College and the University of Notre Dame. While Fr. Tyson admitted his goals are long term and will probably not be completed during his tenure, he assured those in attendance that Holy Cross College has a definite educational role within and beyond the geographical area.

Brother Douglas Roach



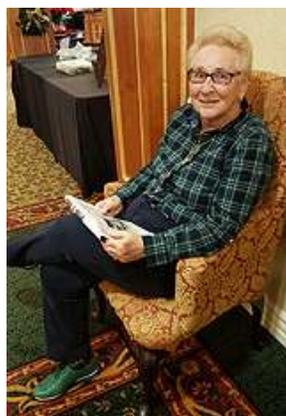
Annual Christmas Bazaar Andre Place



Thursday, November 30, was the day for the Christmas Bazaar at Andre Place. Brother Carl Sternberg and Sharon Donlon helped sell notecards for donations to the Midwest Holy Cross Associates.



Mr. Hugh O'Donald was selling items for donations to the Sisters of the Holy Cross in East Africa. Nan was helping him manage the enterprise.



Other groups selling items for Christmas are shown below.



Brother Chester Freel

I will be out of the country to attend the District Chapter and to visit with our Brothers in Ghana beginning Friday, December 8th and plan to be back at Notre Dame on Friday, December 29. Likewise, Brother Ken Haders will be in Ghana for most of this time to moderate the Chapter and to offer classes to the novices. In the event of an emergency during these days, please contact Brother Roy Smith for assistance.



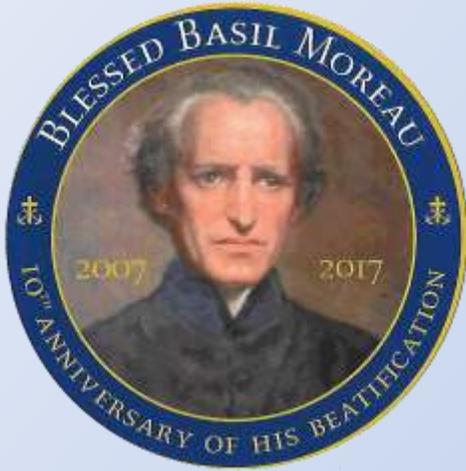
Christmas Invite



Columba Hall invites Holy Cross Community members from the Greater South Bend and Mishawaka area to its annual Christmas festivities on December 25: Mass at 10:30 AM followed by Social and Dinner. No RSVP is necessary.

The community also invites you to attend the Vigil Mass on the 24th of December at 8:00 PM with carols beginning at 7:30 PM.

Blessed Moreau – Invitation



You are invited
to our annual celebration
in honor of
Blessed Basil Moreau
with your Holy Cross family
at the Chapel of St Joseph
on Holy Cross Village Campus
Sunday January 21, 2018

Evening Prayer
at
5:00 p.m.

followed by hearty hors d'oeuvres at André Place

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Local Community/your name:

Number attending: _____

Please respond by phone before January 7, 2018 to:
Receptionist
Administrative Center
Priests & Brothers of Holy Cross

Phone 574-631-6196 **E-Mail** TCarson@holycrossusa.org

Immigration and Refugee Services Service Trip

**Excerpt from an E-mail of Teacher Katy McKinnon to Upper School Faculty
Thursday, November 20, 2017
Gilmour Academy**

Hi, Friends.

I feel so blessed to have taken a service trip with my Immigration Literature seniors today to Cleveland Catholic Charities, Migration and Refugee Services. I'm so proud of our students and know you would be too. Our students helped folks who had to flee persecution in their homelands and have resettled in Cleveland as refugees. They came from all over the world, including Afghanistan, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Iraq, Nepal, Sudan, South Sudan, Syria, and Ukraine.

The following seniors helped our new neighbors practice their basic and intermediate English-speaking skills: Elaine Beck, Dylan Henry, Chase Filicko, Matt Mangel, Joey Saracena, Katelyn Schlotter, Cory Boucheck, Tyler Leroux, Henry-Claude Madiba, Dom Scimone, Ava Thomas, Ray Zafar, and Frank Zhang. They talked about their families, cultures, weather, foods, and travel.

Bella Caruso, Cole Hudson, Taylor Isaac, Lucky Jaffe, Erin O'Connell, and Aegeas Wiertel worked in a pre-literate classroom, meaning their partners didn't read or write in their own language and were learning English, reading, and writing for the first time. They practiced birthdays, spelling names, and "Head and Shoulders, Knees, and Toes."

Here are some photos from our visit:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/10_mrr7AuwUzxjgDI8LMeUXG9wWJWBUSp



Brothers Newsletter Fall of 2017

Fall issue of Brothers is now available on the Web.
Click the icon at left or the link below to view:

<http://brothersofholycross.com/bhc/wp-content/uploads/Brothers2017Fall.pdf>

Reflection


**Emmanuel
Care**

The Season of Advent has a twofold nature: It prepares us for Christmas, when we recall Christ's first coming among us, and it is also a time when we look forward to his second coming at the end of the ages.

**Waiting time is not
wasting time.
Waiting patiently in
expectation is the
foundation of the
spiritual life.**

- Henri Nouwen

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Cartoon
by
Brother
James
Kane,
CSC

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