MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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The second candle, representing faith, is called the "Bethlehem Candle" as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

Psalm #85:12 Yahweh himself bestows happiness as our soil yields its harvest.

Christmas Preparations



Columba Hall Dining Room Windows/Counter Space by Brother James Kozak







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Columba Hall house members helped to decorate dining room tree





Planning an Eco-Friendly Christmas

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we prayerfully observe this holy season of Advent, most of us are also busy with myriad preparations for the traditional festivities that accompany Christmas. Please consider the following eco-friendly suggestions as you scurry to provide a wonderful Christmas for your loved ones....

Click on the following link to read entire article: <u>http://brothersofholycross.com/bhc/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/Environment-3-Planning-an-Eco.pdf</u>

Brother John Tryon, C.S.C.





Brother Roberto Jimenez, C.S.C.

The Cathedral Irish won the state football title by defeating the Zionsville Eagles by the score of 34 -14. Roberto enjoying the event with the team.

Saint Joseph Farm Story

Brother Joseph Fox has email around the web address for the story of Saint Joseph Farm, *Before the Sunrise*. For those who may be interested in the history of the farm, get in a comfortable position, and click on the following link for an interesting read from *Notre Dame Stories*.

Before the Sunrise | University of Notre Dame (nd.edu)



Holy Cross Roads Writings for the Journey

Who Needs Community?

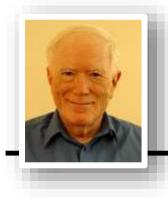
Dear Associates and Friends,

Ronald Rolheiser in talking about the stages in the spiritual life says that the first stage of our journey needs to be spent mainly in "getting our life together." He means that after we leave our parents' home and set out on our own journey to adulthood, we need to claim our own place in society by completing our education, deciding who we are going to be with, what we are going to do for a living, where we are going to live and how we will grow in our relationship with God and feel at home in our choice of religion. While these areas will take much personal discernment, they cannot be made in a vacuum. We need to involve others, and hopefully we as individuals will also find a supportive community to help in this growing process.

Rolheiser says that in the second stage of the spiritual journey, once we "get our life together," it is mainly to "give it away." What he means is that we need to share our gifts in order to have a fulfilling life. How are we going to make a better world because we are living? In every wholesome community, individuals find ways of sharing their gifts, and these are accepted and appreciated by fellow members.

- In what communities do you belong?
- What are the benefits and challenges of being in community?
- How does God help you in meeting the challenges?

0 God, help me to appreciate community and be a blessing by sharing my gifts.



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.

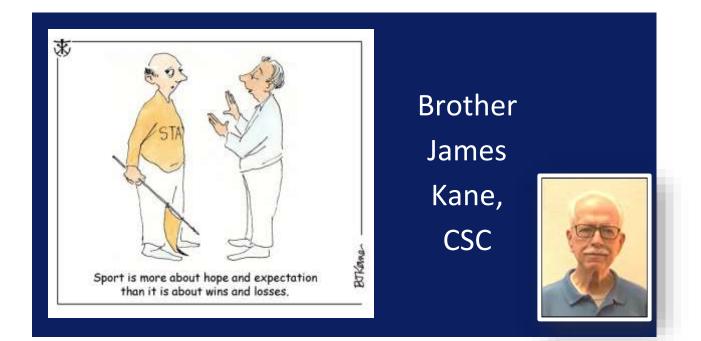
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Brother Brother Philip Smith Ben Rossi



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