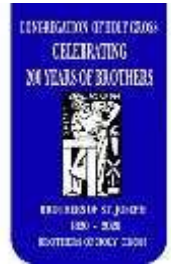


# MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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

March 10, 2021



March  
Week 2

## Weekly Spiritual Reflection from the Early Brothers of St. Joseph

House records have been poorly kept. Many have fallen into disinterest about detachment from worldly things. Some have not followed the suggestions in the circular letter sent out for this year's retreat but came anyway. Many this year have followed the political scene. Many came dressed in lay clothes forbidden by the circular letter and spent much on the trip here. Many ate out and visited more than is permitted. They also neglected praying, reading the catechism, practicing their numbers, etc. Some cross their legs while seated. Some wear fashionable and pricey hats, etc., etc. (Brother Andre Mottais, summer retreat 1832)

Lenten Lecture Series – 2021

**2:00 PM in Geenen Hall - Wednesdays**

Personal meeting ID: 891 491 9777 for Zoom  
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And, for those who live at Holy Cross Village, on TV at  
Touchtown Channel 86/951

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**March 10**

**Brother Philip Smith, CSC**

**“Brother Columba—Another Holy Cross Saint”**

Brother Philip Smith, C.S.C., Ed. D., entered the Congregation in 1964. Over the last 55 years he has ministered in high schools, a residency program for boys, and at Holy Cross College as a teacher and administrator. He holds master degrees in English, music and theology, and an educational doctorate in Curriculum Design for Special School Populations. Retiring from formal education in 2019, he came to South Bend and now serves as the archivist for the Midwest Province of Brothers.



**March 17**

**Brother Benjamin Rossi, CSC**

**“The Logic of the Cross”**

Brother Benjamin Rossi holds both a bachelor and master degree from the University of Notre Dame. After teaching religion for more than ten years at Archbishop Hoban High School in Akron, Ohio, Brother Ben joined the Congregation of Holy Cross making his first profession of vows on August 1, 2020. He currently participates in the formation program at Moreau House of Formation.



**March 24**

**Brother Douglas Roach, CSC**

**“In the midst of the turmoil, what is God calling us to be?”**

Presently celebrating his 67th year in the Congregation of Holy Cross, Brother Doug Roach is the superior at Columba Hall, a Brothers’ retirement facility on the Notre Dame campus. Prior to Columba Hall, he was involved in high school teaching and administration; a mental health counselor in a state prison; administrator of a priest-less parish; and director in a Brothers’ formation program.



## With Chocolate Touches



Brother Richard Johnson hands off cookies to Brother George Klawitter to distribute to Columba Hall members. These past four months have seen four shipments of specialty cookies arrive from Brother Richard's niece Cathy, Jeff and their son Alex. Many were individually wrapped. Many thanks from all of us to the Fitch family.



Village Craft Show  
Andre Place – March 4, 2021

Thursday in the Geenen Room was the showplace for members of Holy Cross Village to exhibit their crafts and hobbies.



Brother Raymond Papenfuss, C.S.C.



Joseph Tobin



**Brother Philip Smith, C.S.C.**



**Maureen Trubac**



**Joyce Kevorkian**



**Karen Reedstrom**



**Jerry Ziliak**



**Janice Imgrind**



**Jo Welsh**



**Ronnie Malone**



**Karen Thomason**



**Louise Fessenden**



**Marion Casey**



**Mary Ann Campbell**



**Carol Collins**



Lyla Lockhart



Mo Miller



## Holy Cross Roads Writings for the Journey

### **Be a Blessing**

Dear Associates and Friends,

What happens when we are blessed by God? At the end of the celebration of the Eucharist or in our prayer we receive a blessing. Is there any practical outcome that results? God is saying to us that God wants us to receive love. God is accepting us. God's favor is with us as we go about our day. To really take all of that into our awareness would mean a change in attitude and a call to bring God into all of the situations we are dealing with in our life.

To be a blessing to others might mean an acceptance of others and asking God to bring good into their lives. It might mean giving them a helping hand and praying that they experience good things on their daily journey.

When we bless someone or something we are breaking down the walls between what is secular and what is sacred. We are open to seeing the presence of God in all of creation as an expression of God's goodness.

- What happens when you receive a blessing?
- Does wanting to be a blessing motivate you in your relationships?
- Does receiving all of God's creation as a blessing affect your spirituality?

**O God, as you bless me, help me to be a blessing to others.**



**Brother Carl Sternberg, C.S.C.**

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

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: <http://www.voiceofmoreau.org/>



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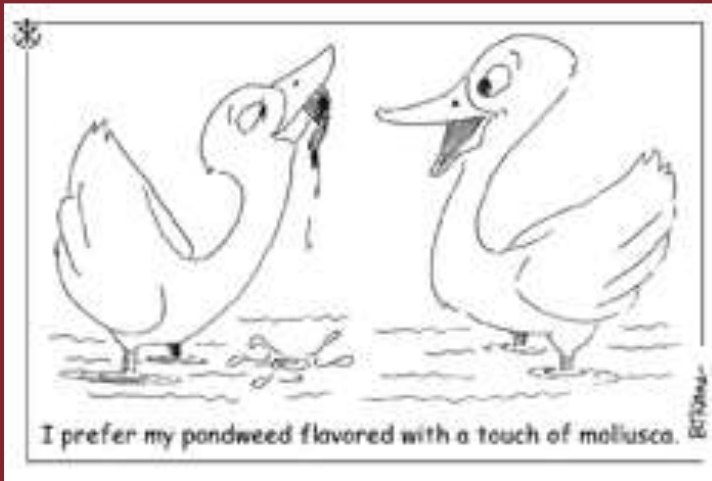
Spring Teleconference Sponsored  
by the Midwest Holy Cross Associates

Saturday, April 24, 2021

Click below for the conference program and registration:

<https://holycrossassociates.org/chapters/national-and-regional-conferences/>





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