MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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Our Lady of Sorrows Holy Cross Congregational Feast Day

Lord God, you graced the heart of Blessed Basil Moreau with the desire to entrust his religious family to the patronage of Our Lady of Holy Cross, the Mother of Sorrows. Open our hearts and the hearts of all the religious of Holy Cross to the tender and compassionate love that comes to us through the intercession of the mother of Jesus, who stood at the foot of the cross when Jesus offered himself to the Father, for our salvation. Grace the hearts of your faithful people with the compassion of the heart of your sorrowful Mother and through her intercession draw to life in Holy Cross apostolic religious filled with compassion for the struggles and needs of your people. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



Our Poets, Past and Present

The Midnight Sonnet

The midnight sonnet seems to flow with ease; it springs more readily than that of day. Somehow the phonemes fall as if to please when darkness drives the fading light away.

The midnight sonnet delves more deeply too; the content seems to grow more serious than busy daytime themes, at least those few habitually apt to weary us.

The midnight sonnet draws from depths within that day ironically cannot reveal, despite our dawning hope to win by sharing loving thoughts designed to heal.

Of all that stimulates the mind at night, the midnight sonnet sheds the brightest light.

—Brother Philip Armstrong, CSC



Art by Brother Philip

Swifts

Follow the link below to know why a number of people are staring at the top of the Columba Hall chimney.

The Chimney Swifts of Columba Hall University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame Magazine Story by Margaret Fosmoe '85







Brother Roy Smith and Mary Ann Decenzo

Mary Anne DeCenzo

Mary Ann received the *Friend of Hoban Award* for 2022. As a tribute to her, click on the link below for her story.

https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v165 8319965/hobanorg/jhgtkfsulibrneu2vzq7/M aryAnneDeCenzoBio.pdf



Blog from the Archives of Saint Joseph Oratory, Montreal

From David Bureau Archiviste, M.A., M.S.I



Statues of Saint Brother André pay tribute to a Holy Cross Saint. Follow the link below:

https://www.saint-joseph.org/en/at-notre-dame-university-saint-brother-andre-is-well-known/

Note: On the right, in the photo above, is a statue of Saint Brother André. It is located in the chapel of Our Lady of Sorrows, Columba Hall, Notre Dame.







Remembrance of Our Brother Brother Larry Stewart, C.S.C.



Even as Jesus honored and fulfilled the teachings of his ancient people, we too honor those who have gone before us in the founding of this great university and in the building of the Congregation of Holy Cross.

Preserving and sharing the legacy of those whose footsteps we follow was a great task in the life of our Brother Larry Stewart.

Today, in a special way, we remember the life of our Brother Larry.

Brother Larry Stewart, C.S.C.

"I thank God every time I remember you."

> (Philippians 1:3) ND Trail Pilgrims

We honor him with the dedication of this tree – a symbol of the life Brother Larry lived so fully and a lasting reminder of his intellect, his kindness, his faithfulness, and his zeal.

We remember his life with this part of the life on this campus.

- Brother Kenneth Haders, C.S.C.









ND Trail Pilgrims gathered along with brothers from Columba Hall to remember Brother Larry, a former pilgrim himself. They gathered around a tree and its marker to pay tribute a second time to Brother Larry.



Photo by Suzanna Kay Carney

Brothers:	
Mid Top	Bill Mewes
Bottom L-R	Dan Kane, Richard Johnson, Chris Dreyer, Douglas
	Roach, James Kane, Ken Haders, [Tree], Roy
	Smith, Walter Gluhm, and Nicholas Thielman

Holy Cross Roads Writings for the Journey

Faithfulness

When we read the Hebrew Scriptures, we can be somewhat shocked at the violence described, but let's face it, violence is part of our world as well. But what does come across in our reading is that God is ever faithful. God always wants to live up to God's part of the covenant. In all of God's actions God's purpose is to bring the people back to their part of the agreement.

How are we faithful to God? Does it mean that we stick to the letter of the law come rain or come shine? Could it mean that we need to listen to the Spirit of God who is guiding us now? God wants to come to us in our world. That is what the incarnation of Jesus is all about. God through Christ and the Spirit wants to come to us in our relationships. Christ is present in this moment calling us to new life as we listen to his promptings. He is helping us to be faithful to his Spirit which is "renewing the face of the earth." Our faith cannot remain static; if it does, it will lose life. We are called to become faithful to the new life like the seed which is growing into becoming what it is meant to be.

- How has God been faithful to you in your life?
- How would you describe your faithfulness to God?
- Is there such a thing as the "sacrament of the present moment"? What could it mean for your spiritual growth?

O God, help me to cherish my faithfulness in response to your faithfulness to me.



Brother Carl Sternberg, C.S.C.

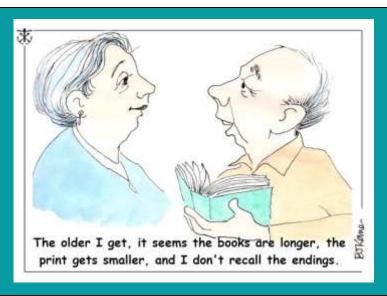
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Reflection Sent in by Brother Thomas Maddix, C.S.C.







Brother James Kane, CSC



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