## MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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#### Our Poets, Past and Present

#### Jan Vermeer

Jan Vermeer was a remarkable man, and his paintings, though few, were a wonder. He worked steadily for half a year to produce amazing thunder.

The shining river roads of Holland, Vermeer made lustrous, lasting. Holland's luminous light brightens his work, its serene light quietly basking.

His studio? Any corner of his house where he arranged his usual pieces—a tapestry, ear rings, turbans, and fur jacket, with his daughters as models not disturbed by the racket!

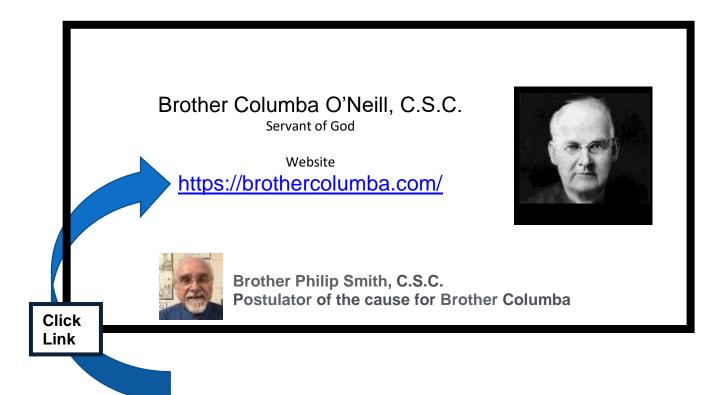
He painted but two works per year, small but amazingly mellow.
He also became a Catholic, and showed his deep love for his wife—a quiet, most happy fellow.

—Brother Remigius Bullinger, CSC



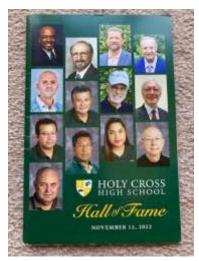






# Holy Cross High School Hall of Fame Celebration

On November 12, 2022 Holy Cross High School, Flushing, New York, a Brothers of Holy Cross High School established in 1955, held their Annual Hall of Fame Induction and Dinner Celebration, Saturday Evening November 12, 2022, at the school.





There were thirteen honorees. Among those honored was **Brother Joseph Fox, c.s.c.,** receiving the Saint Brother Andre' Medal Award during their annual Hall of Fame Honoree Presentation.

Among Brothers Joseph's guests at the celebration were Brother Kenneth Haders, c.s.c., Provincial, Midwest Province, Notre Dame, IN, Derek Mullen, and Nick Adolph, both from Seattle, Washington.

Brother Joseph stationed at Holy Cross High School in 1956; is presently living and working at Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame, IN.

Hall of Fame Dinner: Mrs. Karen Mullen came to the banquet from South Carolina. Her son Derek and his friend Nick flew in from Seattle, Washington. All three joined Ken Haders and me at the Hall of Fame.







## Veterans Honored



Br. James Leik, C.S.C. was one of many residents of Holy Cross Village who were recognized and thanked for their service to our country as veterans.



Mr. Eugene Henry was one of many residents who were honored in Geenen Hall on Veterans Day.

In our homes and institutions where Holy Cross Brothers live, veterans were honored in special ways.

Photos by Br. Roy Smith

#### The Fallen

A poem for reflection (*A Day of Remembrance*) by a friend in Ontario of Brother Thomas Maddix, C.S.C.

Mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers, sons and daughters, loved ones, and lovers, have fallen.

Laid down their lives for us for me.

How humbling, it leaves me, vulnerable, scared, hopeful, impassioned.

We, you and I, are called to reach out speak out, our pain, passion and pleas for peace.

The fallen fell for us.

How will we pay their courage forward, to our kids, their kids.

Let their deaths, bring life and ensure our response evokes change, lest the fallen, will remain, fallen.

It is time to rise for

Ciaran Mckenna Oct 24<sup>th</sup> 21014© In response to the tragic events in Quebec and Ottawa on the week of Oct 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

the fallen.



## Seasons 1<sup>st</sup> Big Snow November 13, 2022, Notre Dame





Brothers
Victor Corraya and Nicholas Thielmar.
Victor's 1<sup>st</sup> Snow Person.

Rt-Brother Roy, last weeks man in the orange shoes

#### Holy Cross Roads Writings for the Journey

#### Let's Pretend

Where does the imagination fit into the spiritual life? Ignatius of Loyola in his Spiritual Exercises uses the imagination to reenact events in the story of Jesus such as his birth, and asks you to imagine yourself being present in that event. For example, you are a shepherd discovering the Christ Child. You imagine that the baby Jesus has something to tell you that could be of significance in your present life. It could be that you need to be more dependent on God in dealing with your problems, or you experience that God does have concern for you giving you nourishment, safety, and love. You have meditated on something from the past and made it present in order to find meaning for your life today.

You can use your imagination as you experience being present at a setting in nature. Take time to reflect on the beauty, the sounds, the wisdom that the natural world offers. What are the forests, the ocean, the mountains saying to you? They could be telling you to put things in perspective. Storms have led to new possibilities. Take care of what is most precious to you.

Imagining the future in a world that is yet to come leads in two directions. It can bring on feelings of dread or hope that God's kingdom is in the process of becoming. Maybe it will lead you to do your part in bringing a better world.

- How does valuing experiences from the past help you in living your life today?
- What do your experiences in nature have to say to you?
- What is God calling you to do to make a better world?

O God, help me to use my imagination to draw closer to you.

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

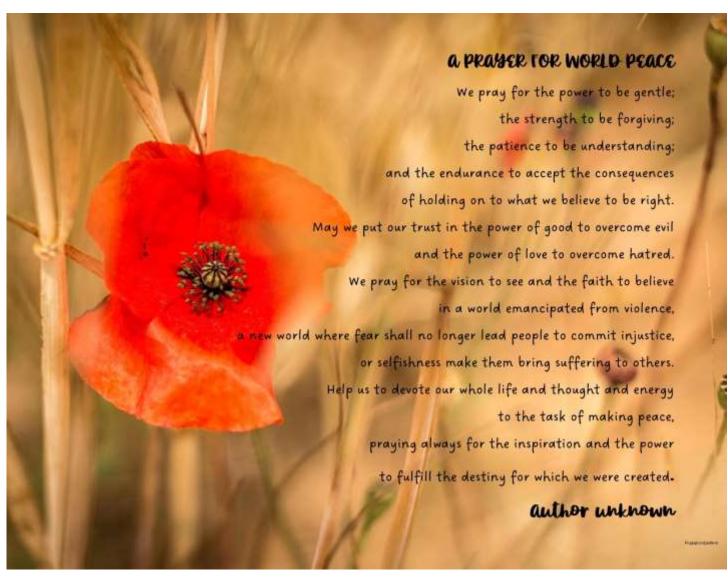


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# Reflection Sent in by Brother Thomas Maddix, C.S.C.







# Brother James Kane, CSC



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