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February 17, 2016

Brother Camillus (William) Kirsch, C.S.C. December 26, 1916 – February 11, 2016

Brother Camillus (William) Kirsch, C.S.C., age 99, died on February 11, 2016 at Dujarie House in Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame, Indiana. He was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, the son of Louis and Anna (Schneider) Kirsch. He attended Holy Angels and St. Joan of Arc Elementary Schools and Cathedral High School, graduating in 1934. The Brothers must have influenced him, since he entered the juniorate program at Watertown, Wisconsin, in September, 1934. He went to St. Joseph's Novitiate in Rolling Prairie, Indiana, in August, and pronounced his first vows as a Brother of Holy Cross in August 1936. He then began college studies at the University of Notre Dame and earned his bachelor's degree in June, 1940, graduating *magna cum laude*. After teaching a year at Reitz Memorial High School in Evansville, he was selected to begin graduate studies at Notre Dame and then he went (along with Brother Lawrence Miller) to study at the University of Chicago becoming the first Brothers to earn master's degrees in Social Work in June, 1943.



Brother Camillus was assigned to Father Gibault School for Boys in Terre Haute, Indiana, where he served a total of 27 years on three different occasions as field director and teacher. He was the assistant director of Boysville of Michigan in Clinton for a year. He returned to serve again at Gibault but was needed to teach at his alma mater, Cathedral High, for a year in 1959. At Gibault he served as the houseparent for the younger boys, ages 9 to 12, and made a lasting impression on them. He maintained contact with his boys for many years after they left. A large box of correspondence and photos from his Gibault boys was found in his room, indicative of the lasting impressions and friendships he had in their lives. In 1996, a special award was presented to Brother Camillus that read: *“The excellence that exists at Gibault is a direct result of the high level of professionalism and*

commitment that was established by Brother Camillus and his colleagues since 1934.” In 1971 after the death of his mother, Brother moved into the family home in Indianapolis and was a psychiatric social worker at the Central State Hospital in Indianapolis for 13 years. In 1988 he served as assistant chaplain at the Americana Nursing Home in Indianapolis for 9 years.

In 2000 Camillus moved to Notre Dame to join the community at Columba Hall and in 2006 he moved to Schubert Villa at Holy Cross Village. Camillus had both knees and one hip replaced and would take very brisk walks around the grounds often before residents were awake. He was the ideal model of aging gracefully. His phenomenal memory for names and faces always amazed his students, the patients he treated, and co-workers at hospitals – for he truly was an admirable and dedicated exemplar for those he served. He was loved by his extended family and relatives who often visited and corresponded. His room at Dujarie House contained numerous albums and framed family pictures for he was well-loved by both his own and his Holy Cross family.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, February 17, 2016, at Our Lady of Holy Cross Chapel within Schubert Villa/Dujarie House from 9:30 to 11:00 AM on the grounds of Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame. The Mass of Resurrection will follow with interment afterward in St. Joseph’s Cemetery of the Village. Kaniewski Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Memorial contributions, to honor Brother Camillus Kirsch, C.S.C., and 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.

Congregational Day of Fasting

March 18th, Congregational Day of Fasting, Prayer and Almsgiving: As we have the previous three years, the three provinces in the United States will have a common Congregational Day of Fasting, Prayer, and Almsgiving. The agreed upon day for 2016 is Friday, March 18th.

The designated beneficiary of this year's almsgiving will be the Congregation's conventional Church at LeMans. Funds will be used to support the development and work of the Blessed Moreau Shrine. Individuals and local communities wishing to contribute funds resulting from this Day of Fasting, Prayer, and Almsgiving may send donations to the Province Business Office, Box 460. Please identify the gift as: *2016 Congregational Day of Fasting, Prayer, and Almsgiving*.

Thank you.

Brother Chester



Saint Joseph Province

Brothers,

Please find below a link to a rather extensive review of the St. Joseph Province and its ministries. I encourage your reading of the report given that the Midwest Province is considered the “Mother Province.” It is inspiring and heartening to see that the labor of our early missionaries has resulted in such a growing province and great ministries.

Near the end of the report on page 28 is mention of Brother Ronald Drahozal (the lone remaining Midwest member in Bangladesh) and a review of APON, the agency providing substance abuse services which Ronald established.

Thank you.
Brother Chester

From: Harold Rodrigues
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February 09, 2016 11:50 PM

Subject: Annual News Review of St. Joseph Province

Dear Members of Holy Cross and Friends,

Greetings to you all! Hope this note finds you well.

I am going to try something new (for me) here. I'm attaching a pdf file of the Annual Province Review 2015 of St. Joseph Province. It's quite a long document, but hopefully not boring, and I hope it goes through the net.

I'll also have some hard copies printed soon for those who would like it that way. If you can't open it, I'll be sending another word file of the same in the next mail also.

I would like to hear from you whether you get it or not. Take care and God bless!

Br. Bijoy, CSC

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From St. Joseph Province, Bangladesh, Final Province Review, p. 28, below:

Report on APON Service, Br. Ronald Drahozal, C.S.C., MWP, Director

APON, Dhaka



APON Center

“An addict is sick, not bad, not mad” with this slogan APON started its journey in 1994 to generate awareness in the community about drug addiction treatment and rehabilitation and to establish the rights of all drug users, including those from marginalized groups. APON is a local NGO registered with NGO Affairs Bureau and Department of Narcotics Control and a member of the Asian Federation of Therapeutic Communities.

Executive Director: Bro. Ronald Drahozal, csc
Number of Brothers working at APON: Three
(Brothers – Ronald Drahozal, Rocy Justine Costa and Bikash Barnard Costa)
Number of Patients: 148
Number of staff: 29



Bro. Ronald Drahozal with the patients



Little patients receiving technical training

Participation in Training Conference: A few staff and the Director participated in training conference both in Dhaka and Malaysia and Bangkok. One such meaningful training was “Training of Treatment Practitioners from Bangladesh, India and Pakistan on Child Drug Addiction Treatment”. This is a new training and fills a bit of the gap in assistance that is to be used for children. We were surprised and encouraged to find out that the expert participants from India and Bangladesh who visited our facilities recognize the type of Children's Program that APON has is unique for both countries.

Outreach Drop In Centres: APON has two ODIC (Outreach Drop In Centres) near the Mirpur Mazar and the staff goes to various spots from Tongi/airport railway stations to Shadarghat/Wise Ghat in old Dhaka and Kamapur railway station to Mohammadpur area to help youngsters in need of services like awareness of drugs, dealing with a drug using problems, health, hygiene, basic education, some skill training and a lot of loving care and attention, etc.



Patients attending a class at Mirpur ODIC

Link to entire review:

<http://brothersofholycross.com/bhc/wp-content/uploads/Final-St-Joe-Prov-Review-2015.pdf>

Check Your Memory



**Do you
remember
this brother?**

**Send him a
Shout Out.**

There will be more info next time on this picture.

Lenten Lecture Series – 2016

Wednesday Evenings: 7-8 PM Geenan Hall

February 17

Father Brian Grantz

"Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs"

Brian Grantz first moved to Michiana nearly thirty years ago. He has served as Dean of the Episcopal Cathedral of Saint James in downtown South Bend since 2008. He and his wife, Tamisyn, have four children, a cat, and two very large dogs.



February 24

Margie Pfeil and Bill Weidman

"Conscious Aging and Simplicity "

Margie Pfeil and Biff Weidman are both part of the local Catholic Worker community. Biff works part-time in library conservation at Notre Dame and has served as a minister in the Mennonite tradition. Margie teaches theological ethics at Notre Dame.



March 2-TBD

March 9

Brother John Paige, CSC

“Eleazar: Martyr and Model in the Battle with Subtle Temptation” (2 Maccabees 6: 18-31)

Brother John Paige, CSC, a native of Albany, NY, is currently in his fourth year of service as President of Holy Cross College at Notre Dame, Indiana. Brother John has worked with youth and young adults as a teacher, coach, and administrator in secondary schools; as a college professor and administrator in higher education institutions in the USA and East Africa; as a formator of young religious in the Congregation of Holy Cross, and as a member of the General Administration of the Congregation. He resides at the St. Joseph House Formation Community on the Holy Cross College campus.

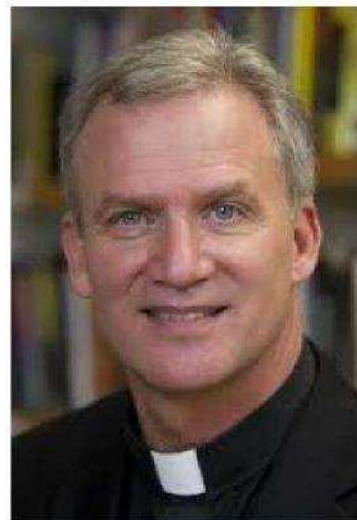


March 16

Father Dan Groody, CSC

“Migration Year of Mercy and Pope Francis”

Daniel Groody has built his reputation in the area of immigration and international migration over the past 20 years. In doing so, he has had the opportunity to speak at universities around the world while still teaching courses in theology at the University of Notre Dame. He has also been recognized for his professional experience and fellowships and is an award winning author and film producer.



Reminders

Hello Dolly

St. Joseph High School Presentation

Venue: Bethel College
Date: Saturday, Feb 20, 2016
Cost: \$5.00
Departure: Bus leaves at 1:30 PM from
Andre Place, Holy Cross
Village
Play Time: 2:00 PM
Return: 4:30 PM

All are Invited

Call
Heather Guzman

574-472-1948
Monday-Thursday
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Holy Cross Village Series

A periodic opportunity to share with others
the gifts and talents we bring with us to the
Village

Presents:

Rosalie Campanale "The Civil War, The Sisters
of the Holy Cross, and the Founding of the First
Nursing School in South Bend"



*Friday, February 19th, 1:30 P.M.
Br. William Geenen Hall, Andre Place*

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