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The Shroud of Turin

Monday Evening, April 10, 2017



Brother Lawrence is pointing to his palm or wrist emphasizing that the nailing of Jesus was NOT done in the palm region, but in the wrist area where the nail was wedged in the two rows of carpal wrist bones so that his body on the Cross would be supported and NOT tear through the gaps of bones in the palm region.

Brother Lawrence substituted for Dr. Stephen Mattingly (who contracted a nasty flu bug and couldn't visit Notre Dame) and gave two presentations on Monday, first at Dujarie House and then again at André Place in the evening. Steve Mattingly is a retired microbiology professor from the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio and a product of a CSC education at Reitz Memorial High School in Evansville. The topic was related to the "mysteries" about the Shroud of Turin, specifically how the image of "the Man of the Shroud" (Jesus) was formed and also whether or not the image is only 700 years old as suggested from some carbon dating research. Steve has researched and given talks at international meetings on how the image on the shroud could easily be produced by skin bacteria which multiplied enormously from the trauma that Jesus endured in the agony he suffered from the scourging and crowning with thorns on Good Friday.

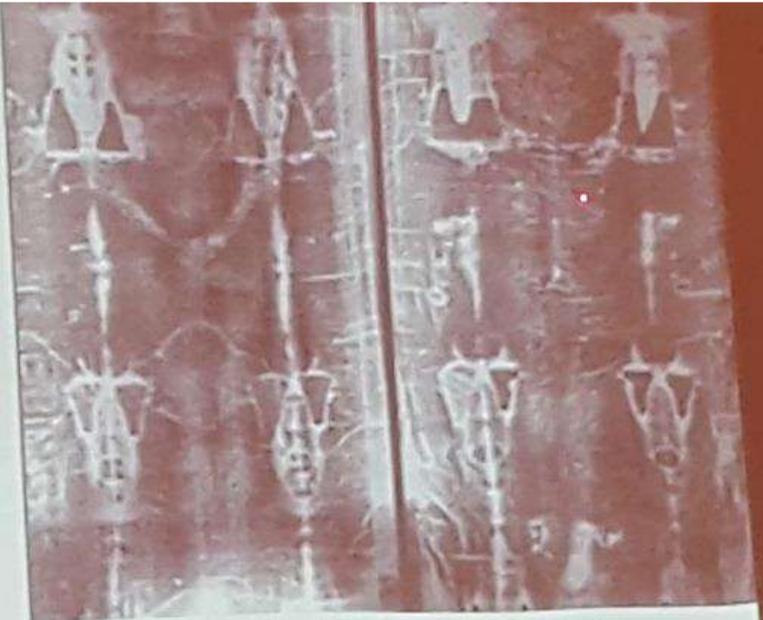
Brother Lawrence Stewart



Jesus' body after death:

- height: 5 ft 10 in to 6 ft
- weight: 150-170 lbs
- lost: 60 lbs water
- appearance: a skeleton with thin layer of skin
- would not be recognized from his morning features;

Shroud measures:
14 ft 5 in x 3 ft 7 in



The Shroud – the "negative" of the photo



Pictures by Fr. William Blum, C.S.C.

Retreat for Student Holy Cross Associates



The Student Holy Cross Associates had a mini retreat, Monday, April 10, at Columba Hall. This included dinner with the Brothers, a talk by **Brother George Klawitter** on the life of the young **Brother Anselm**, talks from Holy Cross Associates Sharon Donlon and Branden Turk on their spiritual journey as Associates, an indepth sharing on commitment taken from the Holy Cross Constitutions. The students wrote their own statements of commitment including their promise to be a part of the group during the next school year. The retreat concluded with a Mass with **Father Matt Kuczora** as celebrant.



Holy Cross Associates
with zeal and hope to bring

Spring 2017 Issue of *Brothers*



The Spring 2017 issue of *Brothers* is now posted and may be viewed/downloaded by following the link below:

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46th Annual Assembly Of the Religious Brothers Conference

The link below provides information on the annual assembly sponsored by the Religious Brothers Conference scheduled for July 17 - 20, 2017, in Sierra Madre, CA

<http://www.todaysbrother.com/>

Brochure Information:

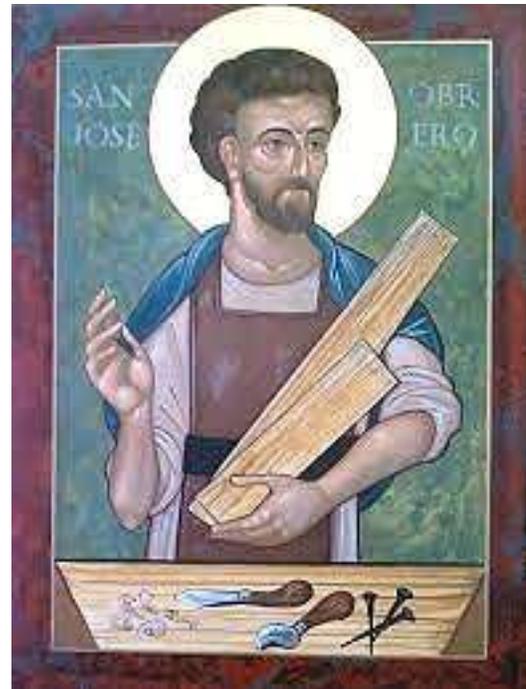
<http://www.todaysbrother.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/2017-Assembly-Brochure.pdf>

Day for Religious Brothers

The Brothers' Think Tank is pleased to announce the inaugural **Religious Brothers Day** (RBD) to be held on May 1, 2017, the feast of St. Joseph the Worker.

Please click on the link for more information, including morning and evening prayers.

[Religious Brothers Day](#)



Excerpt from March 2017 Moreau Province
Transitions and Events

□ National Symposium on Religious Brotherhood

The Faces of Jesus-Brother Today!

“You will be my witnesses” (Acts 1:8)

On Saturday, March 25, the symposium was held on the campus of the University of Notre Dame. Many Holy Cross Religious were in attendance, including the entire membership of the General Council. **Brother John Paige, CSC**, President of Holy Cross College, formally welcomed the participants.

Brother Paul Bednarczyk, CSC, former Executive Director of the National Religious Vocation Conference, and presently Vicar General, served on the core planning committee for the symposium. **Brothers Jonathan Beebe, CSC**, Vocation Director for the Moreau and Midwest Provinces, and **Johnny Gregory, CSC**, from the St. Joseph Province in Bangladesh, who is studying at the University of Notre Dame, served on a panel discussing the Brother’s vocation as a witness of the Lord’s Gospel values in today’s world.



L to R: **Br. Johnathan Beebe, CSC**,
Brother Johnny Gregory, CSC

- **The Holy Cross Institute Convocation 2017.**

Two hundred administrators and faculty members of Holy Cross Schools worldwide attended this year’s convocation at St. Edward’s University, with the theme of “The Work of Each and Everyone.”

Reflecting on the theme, the organizers of the Convocation shared the following:

“Father Basile Moreau was passionate about responding to the post-Revolutionary devastation of parishes and schools. Many others, confronted with the enormity of the needs, became discouraged and wondered if anything at all could be done to create a better future. Moreau believed in the future and chose to respond; he was convinced that God was calling him to do this. The work involved had the potential to be overwhelming, but Moreau recognized that he could not do everything alone. He wanted to minister with others in building the better times that France so desperately needed.”

Today, and for more than 180 years, the mission of Holy Cross in education has engaged not only the Brothers, Priests and Sisters, but many other colleagues – “co-disciples,” as Moreau identified them. These colleagues have a direct share in and are essential for preserving and promoting the mission. All this reflects the operational principle for ministry that Father Moreau articulated in 1843:

“Our work here is the work of each and everyone, and we are all, individually and collectively, responsible for it in the eyes of God and humanity.”

This operational principle is the inspiration for the theme of the 2017 Convocation. All of us, by our vocation as Holy Cross educators, bear responsibility for the mission. Together, we must find creative ways to assure that this mission remains vibrant and vital well into the 21st century and beyond. This is our vocation as the Family of Holy Cross, this is our commitment to the students we serve and to the future of our world. As Blessed Basile Moreau reminds us:

“There will not be a single member of our institution who will not make a personal contribution to its progress.”

Let us support one another in making that contribution; let us explore ways of advancing that progress, for after all this is “the work of each and everyone.”

The Convocation consisted of presentations and group-sharing activities on preserving and promoting the Mission of Holy Cross Education.

The keynote address was given by Dr. Ann Garrido, Associate Professor of Homiletics, Aquinas Institute of Theology. **Father Robert L. Epping, CSC**, Superior General of the Congregation of Holy Cross, was the presider and homilist at the Convocation’s opening Eucharistic Liturgy. **Brother Joel Giallanza, CSC**, Associate Director of the Holy Cross Institute, gave two presentations: Father Jacques

Dujarié – A Courageous Educator, and Saint André Bessette, CSC – An Unlikely Educator.

Brother Donald Blauvelt, CSC, the Executive Director of the Holy Cross Institute, is stepping down this coming June after five years of active and forward-looking leadership. **Brother Thomas Dziekan, CSC**, the former Vicar General, will become the new Executive Director of the Institute.



Br. Donald Blauvelt, CSC, welcomes the Convocation participants.



Br. Donald receives a gift for his five years of ministry as the Executive Director of the Holy Cross Institute. Mr. Dan Curtin, Chair of the Institute's Board of Governors, on **Br. Donald's** left, and **Br. Robert Lavallo, CSC**, made the presentation of the gift on behalf of the Board.

In the BEND with Brother Lew Brazil and His Band

3:30 PM | Sunday May 7, 2017

The *Holy Cross Village Big Band* has a free event listed in *In the BEND*, the entertainment section of the *South Bend Tribune*. You may CTRL+Click or copy and past the following link to view the ad, if it is still in the *Tribune* files – see link below..

<http://www.southbendtribune.com/entertainment/inthebend/events/#/event/6350855?location=46626-south-bend§ions=all&date=today>



For a sampe of what you will hear from the band, click the following Youtube link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b21hvVSPtCY>



**Cartoon
by
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James
Kane,
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