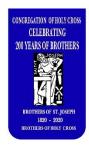
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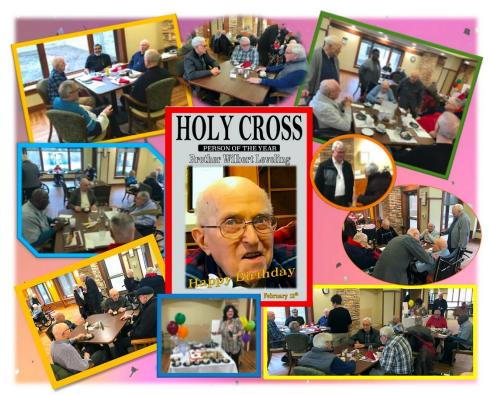
#### In This Week



Prospectus: Each week in this space, we will publish a little something about one of the early Brothers. We hope you enjoy reading about them this year, the 200<sup>th</sup> year of their being founded in France.

**February 16-22** In this week we commemorate the birth of <u>Brother Andre Mottais</u> in Larchamp, France (February 21, 1800). He was the third young man to join the Brothers and became their Primary Director for fifteen years. He held the Brothers together during tough times in France.

## Brother Wilbert Leveling – 103 Years



February 12th found Wilbert celebrating his birthday with his Holy Cross Brothers at Dujarie.

Photos by Br. Michael Brickman

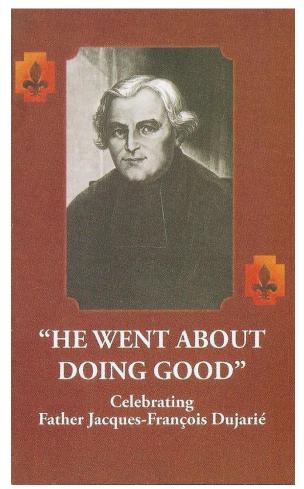
# Why We Revere James Dujarie February 17, 2020 Columba Hall Brother George Klawitter, CSC

On this day, members of Columba Hall celebrated founder's day for James Dujarie. The following is a reflection that Brother George presented to us durning Mass.



We gather today to honor our founder James Dujarie, who died on this date in 1838 at the age of 70. In many ways he was a typical French priest of the time: hardworking and pleasant. If you look at any of his pictures you can catch a twinkle in his eye as if he is saying, "Don't let life get you down." He could, in fact, be quite a kidder: for example, he is known to have referred to Brother Andre Mottais as "his holiness." He must have been a joy to live with because hundreds of young men flocked to Ruille between 1820 and 1835 to come under his gentle guidance. It is true that most of the contact for religious training at Ruille came from Brother Andre, but we can never forget that in the background was this gentle, caring pastor named James Dujarie.

During the French Revolution, he was isolated and afraid for his life. Refusing to swear allegiance to the government, he hid



out in Paris and worked sometimes as a lemonade seller until, having gotten enough theological training on the sly, he was ordained in secret on the day after Christmas in 1795. Then this heroic young man was assigned to the little town of Ruille where he hid out by day and moved place to place by night ministering to farm folk and local townspeople.

He emerged triumphant from this hidden life in 1802 when Napoleon reconciled Church and State. He stayed on in little Ruille and by 1806 founded a group of

pious women to educate little girls in the area. With his own hands he built a home for those first Sisters—the Petit Providence—using stones that local boys helped him dig out of the surrounding fields. That home still stands today, a testament to his vision.

Because of his success with the Sisters of Providence, James Dujarie was asked by the bishop in 1818 to found a similar religious organization for men. It took Dujarie two years before he attracted his first recruit, Pierre Hureau, who came knocking on the rectory door in 1820, but subsequently under the fine stewardship of Brother Andre Mottais, the group soared into success, staffing over one hundred schools in surrounding towns, some of those schools thriving for half a century or more.

James Dujarie was not, however, a man without crosses. His principal cross was not his gout that often kept him confined to his bed for days at a time. No, his major cross was the Mother General next door, who maneuvered to get control of the Sisters away from their founder. She remains a heroine to feminists today, but how did James Duajrie feel when he saw his first foundation pulled away from him? He accepted that cross, and when the Brothers moved their headquarters from Ruille to Le Mans in 1835, he followed them up there one year later where his little joy was giving out candy to the school children at recess.

When he died, he was buried among the Brothers in Le Mans. Then a new Community cemetery was established, and he was transferred over there. When his coffin was opened and relics extracted, Brother Mark Galinard kissed Dujarie's forehead before the coffin was sealed. Eventually, however, the intrepid Mother General, who was still living, got Dujarie's body transferred from Le Mans back to Ruille. Today he lies buried next to her in a side chapel, reconciled at last, we hope, with the woman who caused him much grief.

So what are we to learn from this holy man? In some ways James Dujarie kept with him the official slogan of the French Revolution when he founded the Brothers of St. Joseph: liberté, egalité, fraternité (liberty, equality, brotherhood). Liberty: free from the old ways of sin. Equality: all Brothers are equal, no privileges. And Brotherhood: Dujarie's men would look out for each other.

So what else are we to learn from this holy man? We learn integrity and hard work and kindness. We learn abandon to the cross of Christ and prayerful joy. We learn goodness of spirit and heroicity of virtue. May we all live to see him recognized as the saintly man he became and the model he remains to the thousands of men who have followed him into the Brothers of St. Joseph—even to this day.

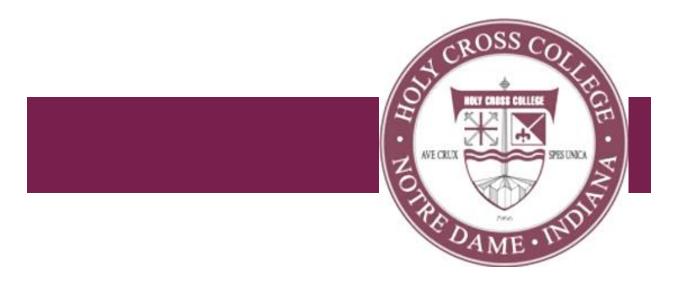
View Movie: Roots of the Family of Holy Cross

### **CSC Legacy Scholarships**

Celebrating our identity as a Congregation of Holy Cross (CSC) institution and the importance of building relationships among those affiliated with the Congregation, Holy Cross College will award **CSC Legacy Scholarships** to students whose families have supported and participated in the mission of the Congregation of Holy Cross. Specifically, students admitted to Holy Cross College with the following affiliations will be eligible for this award:

- Graduates of CSC-affiliated high schools
- Family members of those employed by CSC parishes, schools, and organizations
- Family members of professed CSC Brothers, Sisters, and Priests
- Family members of Holy Cross College alumni
- Family members of the University of Notre Dame alumni
- Family members of Saint Mary's College alumni

For purposes of the above, family members include dependents, siblings, nieces, nephews, and grandchildren. The scholarship will be worth \$5,000 per year and is renewable for up to four years of full-time enrollment. The award is subject to all Holy Cross College financial aid policies including, but not limited to, the maximum award policy and Satisfactory Academic Progress standards. Students already receiving the College's largest scholarships, the St. André or Moreau Awards, will not be eligible for this benefit.



## Valentine Concert

On Friday, February 14, a string quarter from the South Bend Symphony Orchestra played for the residents at Holy Cross Village. The concert was given in the afternoon in the chapel between Schubert Villa and Dujarie The residents House. enjoyed pieces by Mozart, Aaron Copeland, and Leroy Anderson.

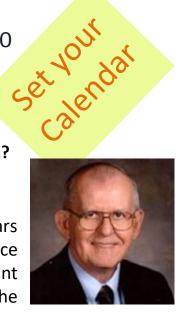
# **Brother**



## Lenten Lecture Series—2020 7:00 PM in Geenen Hall

February 26 Br. Raymond Papenfuss, CSC "The Kingdom of God": How is this a reality that we live in?

Br. Ray has been a Brother for 66 years. He spent 28 years in Ghana. During his religious life he has been a novice master, district superior, vocation man, and assistant provincial. He teaches Tai Chi and works with the handicapped.



March 4

Br. George Klawitter, CSC

"What the Notre Dame Pioneer Brothers can Teach us about Sacrifice for Lent"

Brother George Klawitter, CSC, retired in 2012 from the English Literature Department at St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas. A frequent contributor to the Holy Cross History Conference, he has published books on the early Holy Cross Brothers in France, Indiana, and Algeria.



#### Notice from Brother Kenneth

#### Dear Brothers,

Please see the two attachments. The first is Fr. Epping's letter encouraging the observance of the annual **Day of Fasting and Prayer**. The second is the description of the **new ministry** for which our gifts will provide part of the needed "seed money."

You are encouraged to choose a date between now and the end of Lent and then to send your gift to the Province Business office with a note that it is in observance of the annual Day of Fasting and Prayer.

Brother Ken Haders, C.S.C. Provincial Congregation of Holy Cross Midwest Province



# Education Counts Michiana Video Segment: *English as a New Language Certification*

For some students, going to school can be difficult. It's not because they don't know the material, it's because they don't understand what the teacher is saying. Many teachers go back to school to obtain their ENL or ESL certification, but at Holy Cross College all students on the path to becoming teachers are certified the day they graduate.



Brother Roberto Jimenez, a resource teacher at St. Adalbert Catholic School, is featured in the above video segment.

To view the video, click on the link below:

https://www.wnit.org/educationcounts/s/englishasanewlanguagecertification.html



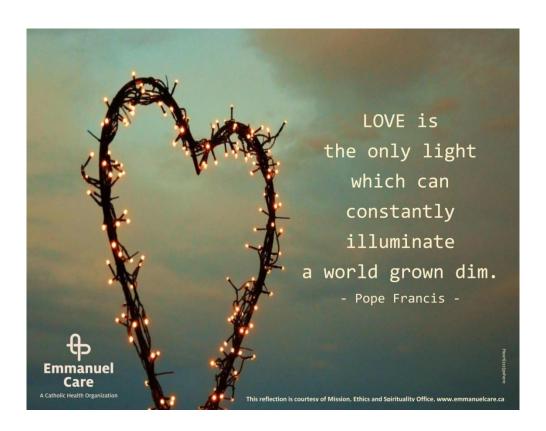
# National Catholic Educational Association Student Award

#### E-mail from Brother Dennis Bednarz:

A student from Saint Edward High School, Lakewood, Ohio, Sophomore Adam Mocho '22, received the NCEA Youth Virtues, Valor, and Vision Award from the NCEA. Only ten Catholic school students across the nation earned this honor. Officials from the NCEA presented this Award to Adam in front of an all-school assembly.

The link to information about this award is: <u>NCEA 2020 Award Winners</u> Adam's article is the seventh one down the page.

#### Reflection



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