

# MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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July 19, 2017

## Brother Douglas Roach

After fifteen years of service to senior citizens in Florida, Brother Douglas Roach has returned to the Midwest and is living at Columba Hall on the Notre Dame campus. Brother Douglas logged 4000 hours of volunteer service at the Friendship Centers that were founded by Brother William Geenen. For his many years of service, Brother Douglas was awarded a special certificate of honor.

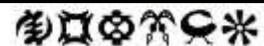
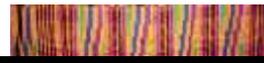


I notice the  
Friendship  
Centers stopped  
using "Senior" ---  
I guess Geenen  
would approve!



## Ghana Publications

*Holy Cross Today – Ghana, Vol. 19 Issue 2* has been published. You may access it by clicking on the above link or on the icon at the left.

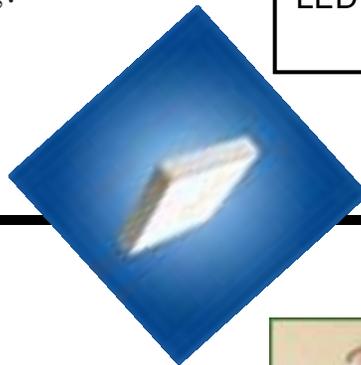




## Columba Hall Using Light Panels

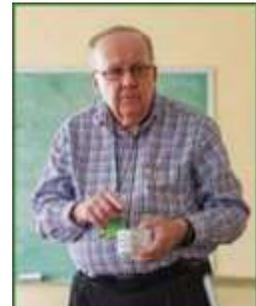
On July 13, 2017, Brother Thomas Moser installed an overhead light panel in the small kitchen nook located in the lower level recreation room. It is bright, long lasting (about 15 years), and has a broad spectrum of color frequencies. Come enjoy the hospitality at Columba under futuristic lighting!

6,492 lumens - 2x4 LED Panel light - 50W - dimmable - 4000k or 5000k - UL and DLC Premium Green LED Zone



## Connections Holy Cross College Magazine

Brother Lawrence Unfried is featured in the article *Beauty in Nature* contained in the school magazine on pages 26-27.

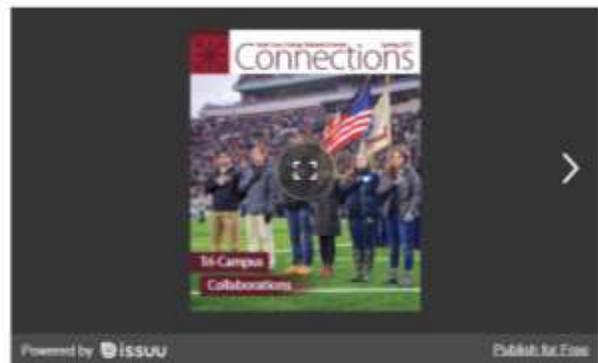


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1. Click on the link: [www.hcc-nd.edu/connections/](http://www.hcc-nd.edu/connections/)
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3. Click in the center of the icon .



4. Use the arrow(s) to access pages 26-27.



Visit past photos of Br. Lawrence's collection of flowers at:

<http://brothersofholycross.com/larry-unfried-photos/>



## Subject for Examination

Jessica Joseph is a sophomore at the University of Texas and was involved in a project for extra credit. She decided to do a story on a Religious Brother and **Brother Walter Gluhm** was chosen to represent the Brothers at St. Joseph Hall, Saint Edward University, Austin, Texas.

Jessica did the pictures and made a DVD. The idea was to see a Brother in many areas such as the dining hall, chapel, and classroom.

Here are some of the pictures:









## Hidden Gardens

Brothers at Columba Hall were invited to enjoy a tour of some of the gardens at Holy Cross Village. The first stop on the tour was the Unity Garden, which Br. Chris Dreyer designed and constructed. Most of the produce gleaned from the garden is used at the soup kitchen at Saint Augustine's Parish, for which many Brothers help to prepare meals. The second stop on the tour was Br. Tom Rock's beautiful garden at his residence at Riverside Place. Br. Richard Johnson, after seeing the garden, commented that the garden is "out of this world." The third stop was the Don Rohan Memorial Garden behind Schubert Villa and the fourth stop, the Coquillard Pathway north of Dujarie House. The tour concluded with stops at eight different gardens of residents at the villas.



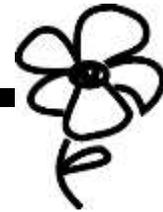
If it weren't for the golf car tour, many would not see the gardens. Gardens are behind most of the buildings.





**Some of the Holy Cross Village gardeners**

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|------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>1. Unity Gardeners</b>    | <b>5. Bobbi Hill</b>     | <b>9. Bill &amp; Monica</b> |
| <b>2. Br. Thomas Rock</b>    | <b>6. Jim and Mary</b>   | <b>LaVeille</b>             |
| <b>3. Don Rohan -</b>        | <b>Hesburgh</b>          | <b>10. Joan Hofman</b>      |
| <b>Memorial Garden</b>       | <b>7. Cathy Groody</b>   | <b>11. Elmer Grabber</b>    |
| <b>4. Coquillard Pathway</b> | <b>8. Montel Menting</b> | <b>12. Loren and</b>        |
|                              |                          | <b>Gloria Daily</b>         |



**Focus**  
**Summer 2017**  
**A magazine centered on the Saint Joseph High School family**

Two articles in *Focus* this summer featured two former Saint Joseph High School teachers: Brother Daniel Kane and Brother Wilbert Leveling. Clips below from these two articles:

**Brother Daniel Kane (page 15)**

**Written by Greg Larkin**

Brother Daniel Kane, a Latin instructor, also was the Glee Club's director. It was because of his approachable style and expertise that the club and the fellowship of its members were energized.



**Brother Wilbert Leveling (page 19)**



He is the sharpest 100-year-old I ever talked to. He claims exercise and faith are the reasons he has lived to 100 said Tom Labuziowski about his former teacher. (Tom is an Associate of Holy Cross)

**Pictures are from the Focus Magazine**



# Vocations



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Dear brothers in Holy Cross,

Our parents are our first teachers and witnesses to the gospel. They instill in us that we are loved and that we have a sacred purpose in this world – to share that love with others. From teaching us our first prayers to modeling how to listen, they provide us with the essential skills that we will need to discern where God is calling us on our journey in life; in other words, to find our vocation.

Blessed Fr. Moreau wrote, "Vocations come from God; [humans] cannot give them." As much as that is true, it is within the context of the family that the gift of a religious vocation is identified and nurtured. This is confirmed by the results of a recent NRVC/CARA study of new entrants to religious life. A vocation comes to fruition within families that strongly self-identify as Catholic, attend Mass, and pray regularly together, are active in their local parish, and value service to others as an expression of their faith. In addition, these same families encourage their children to consider a vocation to religious brotherhood, sisterhood, or priesthood as not only a viable, but valuable, life choice.

John Sebastian Gutierrez, novice for the Moreau Province, grew up in such a family. It was by no accident that God led him to us. Divine Providence has played a significant role in John Sebastian's life long before his birth. His mother's and grandparents' deep faith in God's promises, despite many challenges, provided him with a firm foundation to explore his own calling. His vocation was then strengthened by the people in his home parish and the Holy Cross school community in San Antonio.

John Sebastian's mother, Ms. Patty Sanchez, put her beliefs into practice. She modeled for him and his younger brother Simon trust and goodness. As the saying goes, faith is "caught" more than it is "taught." I am happy to share with you a reflection Ms. Sanchez wrote for her

diocesan newspaper. From her earliest childhood memory of bringing roses to church, Our Lady of Guadalupe has been the source of “this love that continually burns in my heart.”

As John Sebastian and his fellow novices – Drew Clary, Gabriel Griggs, Ethan Lott, and Andrew Fritz – prepare to make their first profession of vows on July 29, the Congregation of Holy Cross accepts the responsibility for their formation as their religious family. The history, charism, and mission of Holy Cross as educators in the faith are best “caught” rather than “taught.” *Vita Consecrata* reminds us, “[We] must be very familiar with the path of seeking God, so as to be able to accompany others on this journey.”

On July 29, let us make it our intention to pray for these young men who dropped their nets, stepped out of their boats, and took a risk to follow Jesus as consecrated religious. If possible, consider making a communal or personal Holy Hour. If you wish to send a card, the address of the novitiate is Holy Cross Novitiate, PO Box 749, Cascade, CO 80809-0749.

We thank God for the presence of strong Catholic families in our Church and, with the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe and all of the holy men and women of Holy Cross, we pray that our novices might grow to become joyful men who bring hope to others. Ave Crux, Spes Unica!

In Holy Cross,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bro. Jonathan, CSC".

Bro. Jonathan P. Beebe, CSC  
Vocation Director



## Our Lady of Guadalupe: Mother of Love

*M*y life as a Guadalupana has brought

utter joy into my life. Each time that I gather together with the Guadalupana Society at Prince of Peace Catholic Church I am filled with this love that continually burns in my heart. But what is the cause of this love and joy? Why have I been led to this grand organization?

For many years as a young girl, I witnessed my own mother and her strong devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe. Her devotion was not a result of our faith tradition passing through the generations; rather, she had a true encounter with Our Lady that stemmed from the center of her heart. My parents came from a poor background, and yet they had the strongest faith I have ever seen. I remember my mother would be so heartbroken whenever she spoke of her early life. Many times she would speak about her journey from Mexico and living with a lack of education and, sometimes, food. In addition, my dad often spoke about his life working hard in the cotton fields of West Texas and struggling to make ends meet. Although they both endured a difficult life, they both demonstrated their strong love and joy for Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Through the example of my parents, our family became very active Catholics within our community. I have always remembered that no matter how much we worked during the week we would always attend church. We always looked forward to every Sunday so that we might be able to be involved within the community and, therefore, be filled with God's joy. One of my fondest memories as a child was when our whole family would take roses to church so that we could offer them in honor to Our Lady of Guadalupe. This truly became the source of our joy and rooted deeply into our lives.

As the years passed, I became an adult and had two children of my own. Entering into adulthood and keeping my faith before me provided me a deeper understanding that life was not about wealth and material goods; rather, my life was about my loving relationship with my God. I instilled within my two boys to know that riches do not bring us happiness; instead it is about our relationship with God.

As I reflect on my life with my two sons, I realize that I have had a purpose and Our Lady of Guadalupe has been with me throughout my journey. In this day and age, life has had its positives and negatives. I became a single mother during the most important time of my children's lives. As we continued to endure our obstacles with the

eyes of faith, we began to grow stronger in our spiritual life. Although my boys and I have been very hard workers, the source of our happiness began to arise from our loving relationship with God. Through this growth, I began to instill various teachings that have led us to be stronger in love and to cherish Our Lady of Guadalupe. Our Lady of Guadalupe continues to remain by our side as we journey in life.

Through my strong devotion to Our Lady, my two boys began to grasp the all-embracing love and joy that resulted even at such a young age. As my oldest son, John Sebastian, entered into adulthood, he discerned that God was calling him to a vocation in religious life within the Congregation of Holy Cross. As he continues his discernment process, he has often asked me the same question Juan Diego asked himself, "Why me?" and "I'm not worthy!" My response to him has always been, "Son, Our Lady speaks to the poorest, hardworking, loving people who are willing, carry her message of love for her Son to the world." Within these few years, I have witnessed him develop a deeply rooted relationship with Christ as he continues to spread the love of Jesus in his everyday life.



My youngest son, Simon, often thinks he is not fulfilling a life worthy of great achievements. He, too, has had many doubts. I have often had many conversations with him to help him understand that in his daily life – as a hard worker and helper to others – he, too, is fulfilling the message of Our Lady – the message of love and peace of her Son, Jesus. As the mother of these two boys, I see that there are many struggles and doubts, but both of them are constantly growing stronger every day and becoming genuine men who have a love for Jesus Christ and Our Lady.

The boys not only have respected me, but they have a respect for all people, from their peers to entire strangers. They have also been extremely involved in school and various Church activities. I realize that both of my boys continue to show their love by their actions. As they began to mature, I began to witness that they desired to serve others and they aspired to be involved in our local community. Together, John Sebastian and Simon have received many awards and recognitions, including the most prestigious Archbishop's Medallion Award. This award is the highest honor a Catholic high school senior can receive. This demonstrated their commitment to their school at Holy Cross High School and our parish at Prince of Peace Catholic Church. They continue to follow the teachings and values of their faith which allow them to carry out many acts of love.

John Sebastian and Simon were born with love in their hearts and I recognize that this was no teaching of my own; rather, I attribute all of this to Divine Providence. We attend Sunday Mass together because we have never been ashamed to go to church as a family, never embarrassed of our faith. I realize that I was an open vessel and they desired to be part of this community of faith. They are continually filled with joy at being

involved and seeking to do more. For young men, not being ashamed of who they are and living their lives in God's image is truly a grace. For these young boys, not giving in to peer pressure has truly made them great soldiers of Christ. Together, they have realized that having joy in God is, by far, irreplaceable.

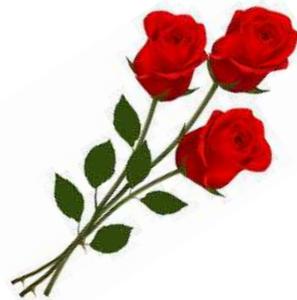
As my two boys continue to give witness to our faith, they constantly encouraged me to follow my heart and continue spreading the love I have for Our Lady. Many times, as parents, we wonder, "Why me?" but it is important that we realize that our children are a blessing to us. I can only imagine when one day they become true leaders wherever God calls them. My humble, loving boys have responded with a "YES!" and I am continuing to keep my eyes and heart open.

On this day, as I pray and look into the eyes of Our Lady of Guadalupe, I see her loving eyes with a message for me – for all of us – to know that she is my Heavenly Mother. Her eyes are full of tenderness and her humility, together, are signs of her immense love.

At this moment, I now understand why I'm so content at being a part of the Guadalupana Society – it is an organization that brings together women and men of deep faith, women and men who serve and give back to the community, women and men who are loving, and grow spiritually every day. This group of devoted and prayerful people provide emotional and spiritual support to the community that results in a loving and peaceful environment. After all, this was the message from Our Lady of Guadalupe, "All those who sincerely ask my help in their work and in their sorrows, will know my Mother's Heart in this place. Here I will see their tears. I will console them and they will be at peace." Faith has always been a priority in my life and it has overjoyed me and my entire family. I pray that I might be an instrument of HER love.

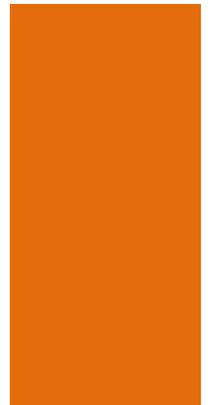
Patricia C. Sanchez

Prince of Peace Catholic Church



# July 4<sup>th</sup> at Lake Michigan Coloma Cottage

The annual get-together for this special day again found two dozen CSC members enjoying a great sunny day.



Reflections



"Nature is the best medicine for serenity.  
Peace, calmness, stillness.  
It's good for the heart."

Karen Madewell

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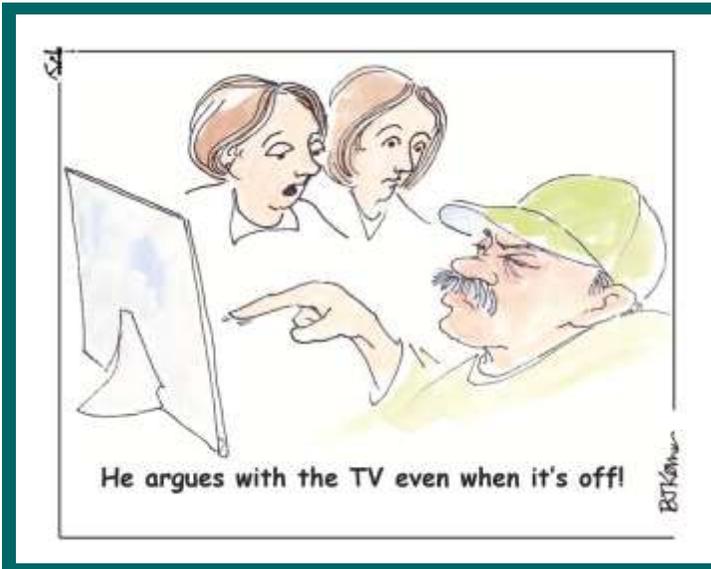


Resolve to be tender with the young,  
Compassionate with the aged,  
Sympathetic with the striving  
And tolerant with the weak and wrong.

Sometime in your life, you will have been all of these.

Guatama Buddha

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