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A Snapshot of Gilmour Academy

On a November trip to New York City to shoot the Notre Dame – Army Football Game, I stopped by Gilmour Academy in Gates Mills , Ohio for a short working-visit. The last time I visited Gilmour was 1983; since then there have been many changes. Here are some pictures of Gilmour Academy in 2011. Congratulations to Brother Robert Lavelle, C.S.C., his Board of Directors and all of the generous donors who have made possible what Gilmour Academy looks like today.



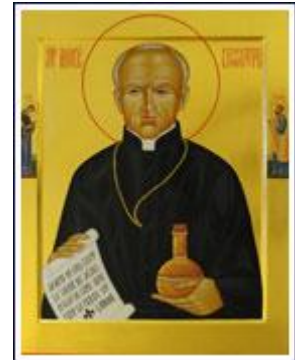
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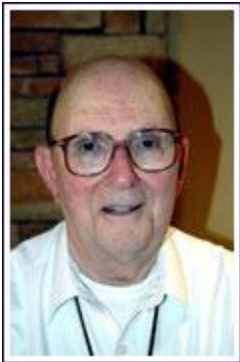
Brother Charles McBride

Brothers in South Bend Honor St. Andre Bessette

On Friday, January 7, Brothers of Holy Cross from the South Bend area will gather for a 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph Chapel in Holy Cross Village. **Brother Lewis Brazil** will coordinate the music program for the Mass. Brothers will then partake in a social and meal honoring Saint Andre Bessette in the Great Room of Andre Place, Holy Cross Village. This year the celebration of Saint Andre Bessette was moved from the day of his death on January 6 to January 7.



Brother Philip Armstrong's Poetry Presentation Postponed



The presentation scheduled for Thursday, January 6, at 3:00 P.M. by **Brother Philip Armstrong** called "Poetry as a Second Language," has been postponed and will be rescheduled at a later date. The postponed presentation was one of four in the **Holy Cross Village Series** presenting an opportunity for residents to share with others their gifts and talents.

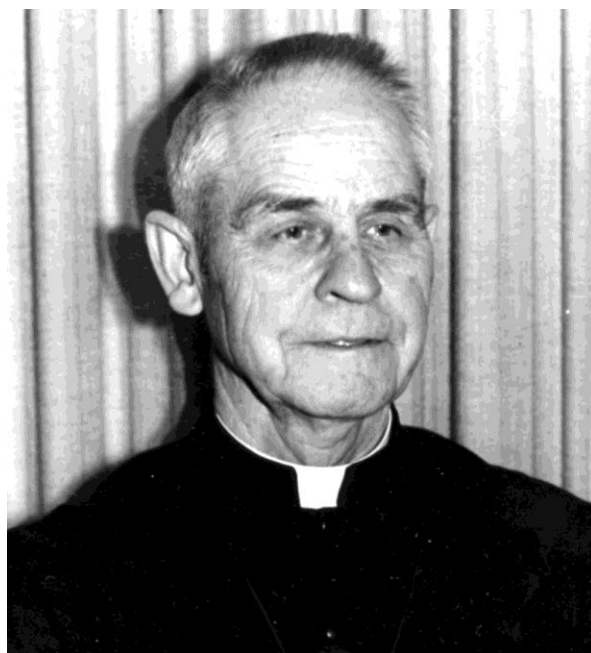
Christmas at Coloma



Here's a picture of Lake Michigan from the window of the Coloma Cottage on Christmas Day, 2010.

Brother Thaddeus (Karl)
Gottemoller, C.S.C.

*May 10, 1911 – December 31,
2010*



Br. Thaddeus (Karl) Gottemoller, C.S.C., age 99, the oldest Holy Cross Brother in the Midwest Province, died on December 31, 2010, at Dujarie House, Notre Dame, just 5 months short of his 100th birthday. He was a revered high school science teacher for more than fifty years. Br. Thaddeus was born in Indianapolis, to John and Albina (Darlinghaus) Gottemoller in 1911. He was a graduate of Cathedral High School, class of 1929. Influenced by the Brothers who taught him, he joined the Brothers of Holy Cross to begin his novitiate year and made his first profession in July 1931. He started his studies at the University of Notre Dame earning a Bachelor of Science degree in 1935 after having made his final profession in 1934.

Br. Thaddeus' first assignment was to Evansville's Reitz Memorial High School where he taught a variety of science courses for 5 years. He then taught in Holy Cross High School in New Orleans and moved to New England to teach 3 years at Vincentian Institute in Albany, NY, 2 years at St. Joseph's in Valatie, NY, and 8 years at Coyle High School in Taunton, MA, where he served as assistant principal until 1952. He returned to the Midwest to teach 4 years at St. Edward High in Lakewood, OH and 4 years at St. Joseph High in South Bend. In 1960 he joined the faculty at Holy Trinity High in Chicago, serving his longest tenure of teaching for 21 years until 1981. He taught for 2 years at Holy Cross High in River Grove, IL and then served on its staff for 19 years in a variety of roles.

Br. Thaddeus was not only a conscientious and innovative chemistry and math teacher, but exhibited those same qualities in every undertaking, whether assisting with the Associates of St. Joseph Organization, moderating the Mothers' Clubs, or heading the concession booths and the candy/drink machines in the high schools. He enjoyed teaching archery for many summers at the Day Camp of Gilmour Academy and organized competitive archery teams in the high schools. He was meticulous in maintaining the grounds of schools, ridding the lawns of any weeds

and even in his 80s, climbing on the roofs of buildings to remove debris. He was a devoted gardener, spending many enjoyable days tending his tomato plants and vegetables at River Grove and Columba Hall. After nearly 67 years in education and service, Br. Thaddeus retired in 2002 to Columba Hall at Notre Dame and then moved to Schubert Villa and Dujarie House at Holy Cross Village in 2005 where he died on New Year's Eve in the late afternoon.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 4th, at the Our Lady of Holy Cross Chapel, Schubert Villa-Dujarie House from 9:00am to 11:00am on the grounds of Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame. The Mass of Resurrection will be at 11:00am with interment immediately afterward in St. Joseph's Cemetery of the Village. Kaniewski Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Memorial contributions, in honor of Brother Thaddeus to 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.

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