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St. Joseph House Open House

Brother Christopher Torrijas, CSC , Formation Director for Aspirants at St. Joseph House at Pulte Hall, Holy Cross College, the initial formation house for the Midwest and Moreau Provinces of Holy Cross, invite all area Brothers of Holy Cross to attend an open house on Sunday, October 5, from 2:00-4:00 pm. Here's an opportunity to meet the 5 aspirants as well as the 5 Brothers living in community at St. Joseph Hall.



St. Joseph House Retreat

Brothers and aspirants of St. Joseph House at Pulte Hall, Holy Cross College, had their first retreat at Lindenwood Retreat Center on the campus of Ancilla College the weekend of September 19-21. The focus of the retreat was centered around the charisms of St. Joseph. Among those attributes discussed and reflected upon were: Compassion, Righteousness, Integrity, Craftsman, Trusted servant of God,

Father, Protector, Commitment to family faith and society, Mentor, Educator, Lived faith values. At the end of our retreat each aspirant received a medal of St. Joseph from a Brother in the house to wear as an outward symbol of the charisms of St. Joseph & their commitment to live with the St. Joseph House Community.



From Left to Right –

**Kyle Fritzsche (aspirant),
Brother Chris Torrijas, CSC
(Formation Director),
Br. Nich Perez, CSC,
Andrew Querciagrossa (aspirant),
Br. James Posluszny, CSC
(Assistant Director of Formation),
Jacob Eifrid (aspirant),
Br. John Paige, CSC,
Brandon Turk (aspirant),
Br. Jesús Alonso, CSC, and
Stephen Storey (aspirant).**



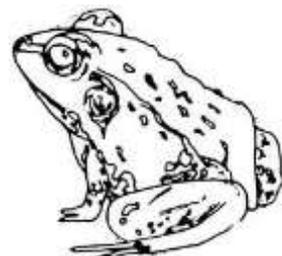
Edzoocation Visits Dujarie House

Last Friday, September 26, **Edzoocation** visited the residents of Dujarie House for an hour-long visit with four animals from the Potawatomi Zoo in South Bend. Kelly, the education curator for the zoo, introduced the tiranchula, garden frog, bald python and chinchilla to the 40 residents attending the mid-afternoon visit.



Kelly had notes on all the animals and was able to field the most difficult of questions. Don was the docent (volunteer guide) from the zoo who handled the animals and allowed residents to get up close and pet the little critters.

It was interesting the number of questions the residents had about each of the animals presented. Most were very interested in touching of petting the python and chinchilla. Pictured is **Brother John Kuhn** with Don as he petted the bald python and chinchilla. Many residents can't wait until Holy Cross Village takes another outing to the zoo next spring or summer.



HCC Ground Breaking Friday, October 10 at 12:10 p.m.



The Board of Trustees along with **Brother John Paige, C.S.C.**, President of Holy Cross College and **Brother Chester Freel, C.S.C.**, Provincial of the Midwest Province of the Brothers of Holy Cross, along with representatives of the contractor and architect, will hold a ground breaking for the new Holy Cross College Residence Hall at the site of the new construction, the present outdoor basketball and tennis courts at 12:10 p.m. until 12:30 p.m. on Friday, October 10. The new residence to be completed by the fall of 2015 will be located north of the present Pulte Hall behind the current collage maintenance facility. A sign of 933 North, pictured below, announced the project to the general public. All are most welcome to attend.



“‘What We Have Heard and Seen’: Fostering Baptismal Witness in the World”

A Conference in Celebration of the 50th Anniversaries of *Gaudium et Spes*, *Apostolicam Actuositatem* and *Ad Gentes*

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All forms of Christian preaching are ultimately grounded in baptism, the sacrament by which we are called into the Christian life and sent into the world as witness-servants. The Second Vatican Council emphasized that for most of the baptized this witness will take place facing the world and immersed in the world. Service and mission go hand-in-hand with verbal witness to the living presence of God.

The laity are called to participate actively in the entire life of the church; not only are they to animate the world with the spirit of Christianity, they are to be witnesses to Christ in all circumstances and at the very heart of the human community.[Gaudium et Spes #43]

The church on earth is by its very nature missionary.... All Christians by the example of their lives and the witness of the word, wherever they live, have an obligation to manifest the new person which they put on in baptism.... [Ad Gentes #2, 11]

The renewal of baptismal witness in and to the secular world remains the largest challenge of Vatican II. There have been a number of positive developments on this front, and these deserve to be celebrated and better known. The renewal of preaching in the Church will be greatly enhanced by the strengthening of a broad ecclesial “culture of witness” flowing from baptism. Pope Francis has made clear

his own interest in this subject and in stimulating the Church's witness to the "joy of the gospel." The 50 anniversary of the close of the Council invites a reconsideration and re-energized focus on the mission shared by all the baptized.

In virtue of their baptism, all the members of the People of God have become missionary disciples (cf. Mt 28:19). All the baptized, whatever their position in the Church or their level of instruction in the faith, are agents of evangelization.... The new evangelization calls for personal involvement on the part of each of the baptized. Every Christian is challenged, here and now, to be actively engaged in evangelization; indeed, anyone who has truly experienced God's saving love does not need much time or lengthy training to go out and proclaim that love. Every Christian is a missionary to the extent that he or she has encountered the love of God in Christ Jesus.... [Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium #120]

Speakers will include Archbishop Joseph Tobin, Max Johnson, Zeni Fox, Ed Hahnenberg, Matt Ashley, John Cavadini, Ann Astell, Michael Downey, Wendy Wright, Tim Matovina, Paul Janowiak, Kristin Colberg, Don Cozzens, Steve Bevans, Elizabeth Groppe, Oliver Williams, Jack Jezreel Peter-John Pearson, and Anna Carter Florence.

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For questions about the conference, please contact **Fr. Michael Connors, CSC** at martenpr@nd.edu.

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Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner

The Knights of Columbus from Council 5570 in South Bend will hold their Annual Spaghetti Appreciation Dinner for Clergy and Religious at beginning with appetizers 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 p.m., on Columbus Day, October 13, at 5202 Linden Avenue, South Bend.



The dinner will include spaghetti, salad, bread, beverages and dessert. Member of the Council welcome all of the Holy Cross Brothers in the area to attend. It is bound to be a most enjoyable evening.

If you plan to attend, please call either Jerry Mittendorf at 277-0640 or Grand Knight Mark G. Meyer at 233-6980.

We look forward to seeing you on October 13.



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