

MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

Brothers of Holy Cross – Midwest Province - P.O. Box 460 – Notre Dame, Indiana 46556-0460

February 24, 2021



Brother Robert Eugene Berthiaume, C.S.C.

May 7, 1934 – February 18, 2021

Remember in your prayers.



February
Week 4

Weekly Spiritual Reflections from the Early Brothers of St. Joseph

In the name of the most holy Trinity in the presence of the very holy Virgin Mother of God, of St. Joseph and of the holy angels, I Brother...after being approved and having prayed to God to make me know my vocation, I declare myself consecrated to teaching children in the Congregation of the Brothers of St. Joseph, and submit to the rules and statutes of the said Congregation, promising to observe them exactly; and consequently I renew for one year the vow of obedience to the superior of the said Congregation. May God help me and his holy Mother. (Renewal of Vows 9/11/1830)

Lenten Lecture Series – 2021

2:00 PM in Geenen Hall - Wednesdays

Personal meeting ID: 891 491 9777 for Zoom
Passcode: 54515

And, for those who live at Holy Cross Village, on TV at
Touchtown Channel 86/951

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February 24
Papenfuss, CSC

Brother Raymond



“Living the Incarnation”

Br. Ray has been a Brother for 68 years. He spent 28 years in Ghana. During his religious life he has been a novice master, district superior, vocation director, and assistant provincial. He teaches Tai Chi and works with the handicapped.

March 3
CSC

Brother George Klawitter,



“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.

March 10

Brother Philip Smith, CSC



“Brother Columba—Another Holy Cross Saint”

Brother Philip Smith, C.S.C., Ed. D. entered the Congregation in 1964. Over the last 55 years he has ministered in high schools, a residency program for boys, and at Holy Cross College as a teacher and administrator. He holds master degrees in English, music and theology, and an educational doctorate in Curriculum Design for Special

School Populations. Retiring from formal education in 2019, he came to South Bend and now serves as the archivist for the Midwest Province of Brothers.

March 17

Brother Benjamin Rossi, CSC

“The Logic of the Cross”

Brother Benjamin Rossi holds both a bachelor and master degree from the University of Notre Dame. After teaching religion for more than ten years at Archbishop Hoban High School in Akron, Ohio, Brother Ben joined the Congregation of Holy Cross making his first profession of vows on August 1, 2020. He currently participates in the formation program at Moreau House of Formation.



March 24

Brother Douglas Roach, CSC

“In the midst of the turmoil, what is God calling us to be?”

Presently celebrating his 67th year in the Congregation of Holy Cross, Brother Doug Roach is the superior at Columba Hall, a Brothers’ retirement facility on the Notre Dame campus. Prior to Columba Hall, he was involved in high school teaching and administration; a mental health counselor in a state prison; administrator of a priest-less parish; and director in a Brothers’ formation program.



Al Fresco

Taking full advantage of our Florida winter weather the Brother Andre Community of Sarasota hosted “al fresco” evening for **Brother Francis Boylan** and his guest, John Hale and his son Andrew of Detroit area.

Joining **Brothers Larry Skitzki, William Dygert, Mike Brickman** was David Fitzgerald who had avoided the recent San Antonio, Texas ice/snow storm.



David Fitzgerald and Brother Francis Boylan enjoy John Hale, Andrew Hale, Brother Larry Skitzki enjoying our break



Enjoying their Mardi Gras dinner, prepared by Brother Michael Brickman are Andrew Hale, Brother William Dygert, John Hale, Brother Francis Boylan, Brother Larry Skitzki and David Fitzgerald.





Gilmour Faculty and Staff Select First Winner of Holy Cross Heart and Mind Award

Faculty and staff members were asked to nominate colleagues for the inaugural Holy Cross Heart and Mind Award. The award celebrates a faculty or staff member who has modeled our Holy Cross charism and made outstanding contributions of their time, effort and talent to inspire the members of our Gilmour community.

Congratulations to the 11 nominees – Dan Adiletta, Fr. John Blazek, C.S.C. '58, Laurie Gajda, Br. Ken Kane, C.S.C., David Kilkenney, Martha Ligas, Laura Novotney, David Pfundstein, Becky Reidy, Rhonda Rickelman and Kara Santana.

Faculty members then voted on the 11 nominees and the winner of the inaugural Holy Cross Heart and Mind Award is...Br. Ken Kane, C.S.C.! Congratulations and thank you for bringing our Holy Cross mission to life each day on campus.

Check out this slideshow with write-ups on all 11 nominees!

Brother
Kenneth Kane,
C.S.C.

Gilmour Academy honors Br. Ken with its first *Holy Cross Heart and Mind Award*.

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more
information:

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Brother Philip Smith, C.S.C. Mandalas to Afghan



A few of Philip's Mandalas has been added to the *brothersofholycross.com* website and may be viewed by clicking the link below.

<http://brothersofholycross.com/philip-smith-mandalas/>

[Note: If you have an item of interest, send your story with text and a photo(s) to Midwest-Midweek@brothersofholycross.com]



History of Holy Cross

The Community Museum of the Sisters of Sainte-Croix

Holy Cross History:

https://www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/about/history/holy_cross_article.html

College History:

https://www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/about/history/start.html#bottom_menu



**Comment by Brother
George Klawitter,
C.S.C.**

This (Website) is absolutely fascinating. I never knew about this. I am surprised to learn that they have the original negative of the only photo we have of Moreau.

Holy Cross Roads

Writings for the Journey

How Does Faith Begin?

Dear Associates and Friends,

As children we are taught to say our prayers. We are enthralled by the stories of the first Christians, the miracles that Jesus performed, his walking on water, etc. We become part of a family that shares in rituals and customs of the Church. Might this be the beginning of a faith that is part of our lives as much as any other activity, especially when adults tell us that this is part of our heritage?

But when does this faith become a personal conviction? When does our faith become something that cannot be taken away without losing a part of who we are? Somewhere along the way, this God who is the source of our life shows up. It could come in various ways: through our intellect as the uncaused cause, through an experience of an unconditional love, which goes beyond what humans are capable of, through a crisis that seems to have no meaning at the time, through the beauty of creation. In other words, it cannot be totally explained. Faith is a gift. We know at this point that we are touching the infinite. Our personal relationship with God (Christ) becomes a personal reality in our lives.

- What was the faith of your childhood like?
- How has your faith grown from that point?
- What were the circumstances that led to a personal relationship with God (Christ)?

God, I believe, help my unbelief.



Brother Carl Sternberg, C.S.C.

For more reflections to grow spiritually
please visit our new blog
<https://weeklspiritualinsights.org/>

From the *Voice of Moreau Website*

The website features a Holy Cross sister, a brother, or a priest, with a weekly story on the blog. Check the following link below.



Website: <http://www.voiceofmoreau.org/>



**Brother
Philip
Smith**

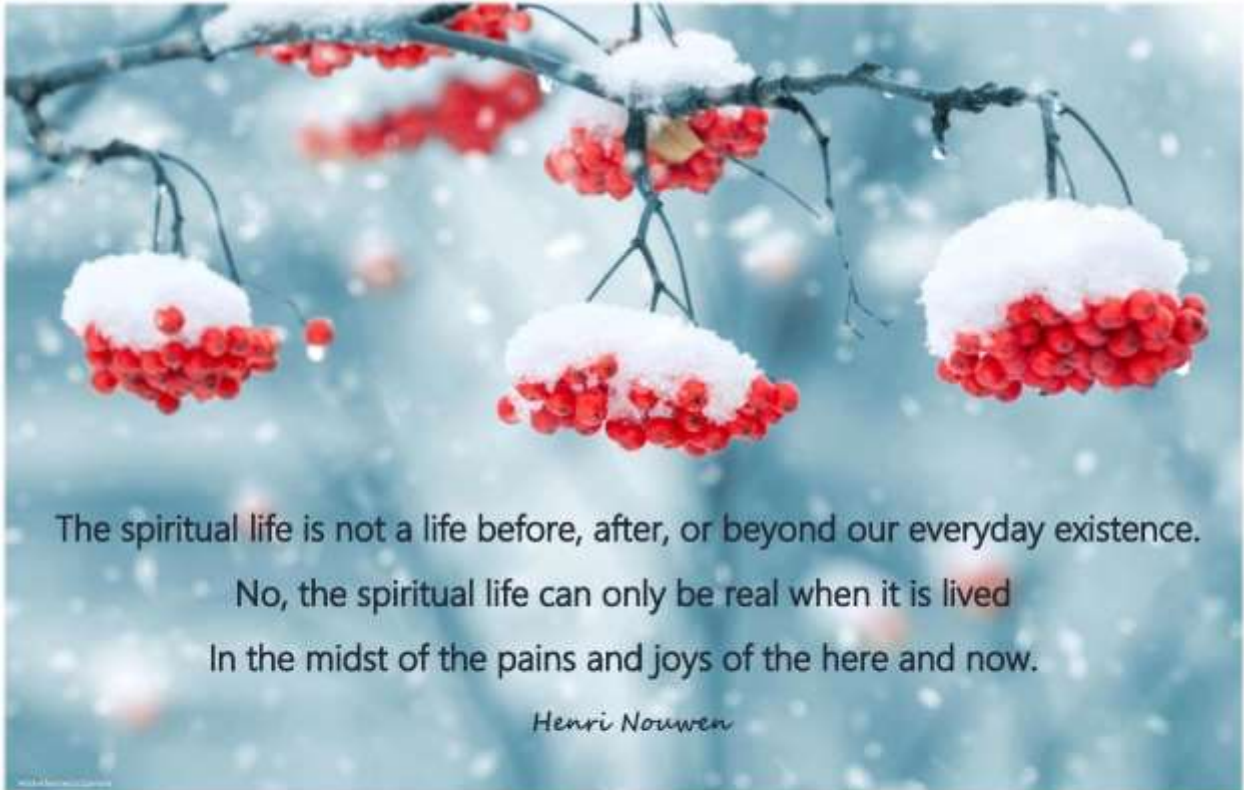


**Brother
Ben
Rossi**



Reflection

Reflection sent in by
Brother Thomas Maddix, C.S.C.



The spiritual life is not a life before, after, or beyond our everyday existence.

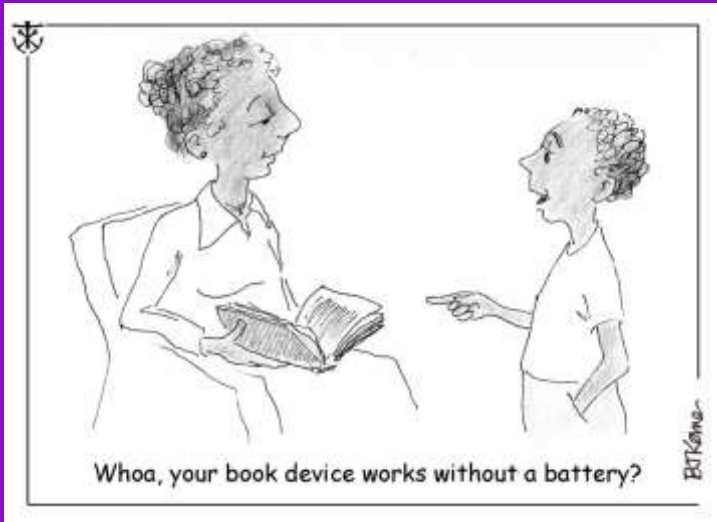
No, the spiritual life can only be real when it is lived
In the midst of the pains and joys of the here and now.

Henri Nouwen

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Brother
James
Kane,
CSC



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