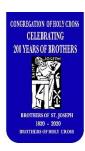
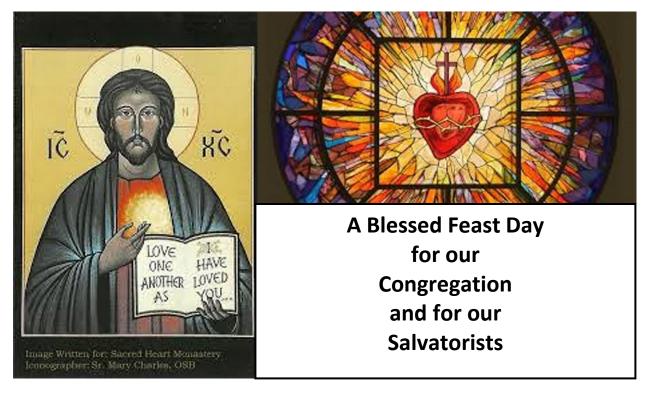
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This Week

Information on individual early Brothers of St. Joseph for posting week by week in 2020.

June 21 – **27** On July 27, 1826, Brother Andre Mottais sent his first circular letter to all the Brothers announcing the date for the opening of the annual retreat in Ruille, France.

Saint Edward Graduation

St. Edward will stream graduation for the Class of 2020 on Sunday, June 28, at 6:00 p.m. The graduation will be held outside behind the school on Coughlin Field following public health guidelines. In case of rain, graduation will be held on Monday.



The streaming video will be available via our website <u>www.sehs.net</u> or Facebook page - <u>facebook.com/wearesteds</u>. A Facebook account is not required to view the stream.

The St. Edward Class of 2020 Awards Night will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 24.

The stream will be available via Facebook Live on our Facebook page (just click on this link) - facebook.com/wearesteds. A Facebook account is not required to view the stream.

Attached is a Class of 2020 Awards Night Program to follow along with from home.



Brother Dennis Bednarz

Perfect ACT Score Archbishop Hoban High School

This information was received in April. My apologies for being so late on good news - brj.

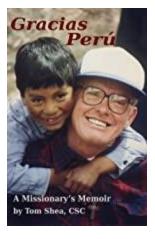
Archbishop Hoban High School junior earns perfect score on ACT –

https://www.news5cleveland.com/news/local-news/akron-canton-news/archbishop-hoban-high-school-junior-earns-perfect-score-on-act

Another Archbishop Hoban Junior has achieved a perfect ACT score....

https://www.hoban.org/about-hoban/news/details/~board/news/post/kovalik-receives-perfect-36-on-act

Fr. Mike Ausperk Hoban Board Member



Thomas Shea Riedy, CSC

My memoirs called GRACIAS PERU by Tom Shea, csc, is now on <u>amazon.com</u> and in bookstores through Instagram both in English and Spanish. It speaks of the District of Peru and Brother John Benesh several times and also the Brothers who taught at Vincentian Institute in Albany, NY.

Tom Shea, CSC

Tributes from "Old Saints" (Students of St. John's School)

Click on the following link to view tributes to Brother Vincent from the school's *Old Boys* (Alumni).

http://brothersofholycross.com/bro-vincent-tribute-bulletin-from-old-saints/

Photos sent in by Brother Francis Boylan:



respects to Br Vincent during the wake service, a fellow Michiganian.



THE GUARDIAN

Slowly the evening ebbs away

And makes way for a brighter morning

In between the evening and the morning in the recess of our souls.

Gently, the guardian makes way for the owner of the property to take over.

I call you "The Guardian," because that is who you are.

As a guardian of Holy Cross Brotherhood,

You were the epitome and synonymous to the phrase "The working brothers!"

You built from scratch; you maintained what you built; and you fixed what was broken;

And I never heard you say, "I can't fix this."

I looked at you with admiration whenever you needed to fix a broken machine or gadget, especially the mower.

The Guardian would gently squat and kneel,

Inserting his lower lip in his mouth, he would patiently fix what needed to be fixed;

And when he had finished fixing what was broken,

The beaming smiles on the faces of his co-workers was an expression of a sigh of relief.

The Guardian was also a custodian of the missionary activity in Ghana.

He has held on to the legacy of bringing Hope to the world.

As a young religious I have constantly been inspired by your zeal for the mission And your love for the people of your new home.

The Guardian loved and held on faithfully to what he was asked to guard!

When Frederick McGlynn, Aaron, Richard Johnson and Robert Gilmour left,

You knew what was at stake and continually guarded the Holy Cross Heritage And nurtured it in the African soil.

The Guardian, like Brother André, for 30 years had to guard this piece of property on which his mortal remains shall be kept as an edifice, good and faithful servant. Oh Guardian,

How I wish you would keep watch over this piece of property, our Holy Cross Heritage!

How I wish you would tell the story to the young generation to come.

But if we were wrong, now you can keep guard over our souls and intercede for us.

Fare thee well, Fixer!

Fare thee well, Custodian!

Fare thee well, Guardian!

The Guardian Poem

by Br. Aristide Biney, CSC at the Vigil, 17 June 2020



"PRECIOUS IN THE SIGHT OF THE LORD IS THE DEATH OF HIS SAINTS." (Psalm 116:15)

Life is but a stopping place, A pause in what's to be, A resting place along the road To sweet eternity! We all have different journeys; Different paths along the way. We all were meant to learn something But never meant to stay... Our destination is a place Far greater than we know. For some the journey's quicker For others the journey's slower! And when the journey finally ends We'll claim a greater reward And find everlasting peace Together with the Lord.

Uncle, no farewell words were spoken, no time to say goodbye; no time to smile and wink.

You were gone before we knew it.

Only God knows why it happened that way.
Uncle Vincent, as we affectionately call you,
I am saying my final departing words to you
With a heavy heart and sorrowful tears.

It is sad to see you lie motionless before us now,
But I am convinced that your soul is here
listening to what I am saying to you.
Uncle, in the past years being with you

here at the Centre, I have learned that You are a man of service, hardworking, Always early in the Chapel, putting things together. Anytime I am alone, in the business office It is thought of you that fills my mind and I weep in silence. Now, I know you have finally left me and all, but I believe that memories of you will continue to linger in my mind for the rest of my life. Uncle, when will I hear again: "Br. William Tawiah, are you not going to the bank? I need money for my friends' school fees!" Then, I will say: "Uncle, please say that in fante." Your reply: "me nntse," (meaning I can't or don't understand)! I did not hear those words on the 1st of June, 2020. Why? Uncle, you are silent! I least expected that death could lay its icy hands on you. Uncle eeeiii... I am calling you. I have come from the bank. Come for your money! Farewell! Farewell! Farewell! Have a peaceful rest in the bosom of the Lord Da yie! nante yie!

By Br. William Tawiah, CSC

Nyame nfa wo nsie!



Midwest Holy Cross Associates

Holy CrossRoadsWritings for the Journey #12

Healing

Dear Associates and Friends,

To be healed is not limited to the curing of the body. It could mean the letting go of the disease that creeps into our lives when various parts of our being seem to be at war with other parts. When our feelings are not in tune with our reason, our reason does not lend itself to faith, our unconscious desires do not correspond to our way of living, the commitments we have made might seem to limit our freedom. These various contradictions can cause a disease which make life difficult and maybe even unbearable at times.

Jesus was a healer. His healing of the crippled, of the blind, of the possessed also included a leap of faith on the part of the recipient that would take away the anxiety long enough for the healing to take place.

What is the cause of the dis-ease in our lives? Are we open to Christ's healing love? Are we willing to receive Christ's comforting words, Christ's promise to always be with us, Christ's invitation to follow him? Christ's presence in our lives can turn our anxiety and fear into a healing salve for salvation. We only have to apply where needed.

Christ, help me be open to receive your healing love.



Brother Carl Sternberg, CSC May 29, 2020 http://holycrossassociates.org/





Reflection

Reflection(s) sent in by
Brother Thomas Maddix, C.S.C.:







Cartoon by Brother James Kane, CSC



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