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Missionaries Depart

Sacred Heart Church on the Notre Dame campus was the scene Thursday evening, October 8, of the departure of six missionaries for Bengal in East Pakistan.

The ceremony was simple but impressive because it was a family farewell. Relatives of the departing missionaries occupied the front pews off the middle aisle. The rest of the church was filled with lay students, seminarians, priests, Brothers, and Sisters. Nearly all of them belonged to the same religious family as those about to depart, the Congregation of Holy Cross.

The missionaries occupied places of honor on prie dieus inside the altar rail while the choir chanted a hymn. Then they petitioned for assignment to mission work, renewed their vows, and received their letters of obedience from the Very Rev. Christopher J. O'Toole, Superior General of the Congregation of Holy Cross.

The Rev. Vincent J. McCauley, the superior of the Foreign Mission Seminary in Washington, D. C., spoke on the mission activities of Holy Cross in Bengal during the past century and on behalf of the Congregation bade the missionaries a fervent farewell and a safe journey. Father McMahon spoke for the departing members and asked for constant spiritual and financial assistance.

Gibault Entertains

Thirty teachers of industrial arts from the public schools in the Terre Haute area assembled Tuesday evening, October 6, at Gibault School for Boys in response to an invitation from the director, Brother Norman Head, C.S.C. The group represented the sixth district of the Indiana Industrial Educational Association, an organization of shop teachers.

During a visit to Gibault's machine shop, woodworking shop, and drafting room, compliments were bestowed upon the school and its industrial arts instructors, Brothers George Tilley and Charles Lewis.

Following the tour of inspection, the



Rev. Raymond C. Switalski; Very Rev. Christopher J. O'Toole, Superior General of the Congregation of Holy Cross; Rev. Michael A. D'Rozario; Sister M. Carmen of Woodland, Calif., kneeling to receive her obedience; Rev. Terence D. Kennerk, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Rev. Thomas W. Zimmerman, Crestline, Ohio; Brother Brian Lyon, Loretto, Ky.; Rev. Gerald F. McMahon, Binghamton, N. Y.; and Sister M. Francis Bernard, Detroit, Mich.

association held a business meeting and a social hour in the Administration Building. The guests manifested great interest in the work being accomplished by Gibault School for Boys under the direction of the Brothers of Holy Cross and the sponsorship of the Knights of Columbus of Indiana.

Brother Norman Head, the director of Gibault School for Boys in Terre Haute, Ind., and Brother Lawrence Miller, the director of St. Charles Home for Boys in Milwaukee, Wis., attended the National Conference of Catholic Charities at St. Louis, September 30-October 3. Brother Lawrence took part in a panel discussion of adolescent problems especially as related to institutional work.

Brother Lawrence has been speaking frequently for the Community Chest during October to industrial groups in Milwaukee.

Sunday, October 4, 1953, the *Milwaukee Journal* published a picture and a feature article, "St. Charles Boys' Home Gives Aid to Troubled."

In Lakewood

Brother John Joseph represented St. Edward's High of Lakewood at Cleveland's Diocesan Vocational Meeting, October 15. Part of the business of the meeting was the assignment of parochial schools to the Vocational Moderators present. Talks to pupils in grade schools will be scheduled for future dates.

St. Edward's with an enrollment of 1350 is the largest boys' high school in the diocese of Cleveland.

At the request of Archbishop Edward F. Hoban nine Brothers of Holy Cross assisted His Grace as minor ministers at the Pontifical Mass opening the Cleveland Diocesan Teachers' Institute at St. Joseph's High in Cleveland, October 13. At the organ was Brother John Gaffney.

Brother John William, principal of St. Edward's, was guest speaker at the General Assembly of Secondary Principals. Brother Bertram spoke on the need of shop work in Catholic High Schools. Brother Thaddeus addressed the teachers of Chemistry.

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Have You Heard?

Have some of the bedtime stories that you've heard been ghost stories? Even though they were pure fiction they did not induce sleep nor bring you pleasant dreams.

All of us are apt to tell ghost stories of another sort and to do untold harm without intending it. The scrub who barely makes the squad thinks that he builds himself up to hero proportions in the eyes of his kid brother and of the sandlot gang when he tells how strenuous varsity practice is. Those in college like to impress the difficulties they are having upon high school pupils. Even religious shock prospective members with tales of difficulties to be met in houses of formation.

Wouldn't the scrub do better about the thrills he experiences in being on the varsity squad; the student to explain how success in college depends upon mastery of the fundamental courses in high school; and the religious to encourage prospects by reminding them that religious communities are not composed of supermen, by assuring them that the average person of good will finds little difficulty in making the grade, by pointing out that superiors are chosen for their human as well as their spiritual qualities, and by emphasizing that all religious strive to serve God out of love and not out of fear?

Early in October a first place trophy was awarded to Brother Leonard Leary, the director of the band at Holy Trinity High in Chicago, for having the best organization in his section.

Brother Romanus addressed a meeting of librarians at Maria High in Chicago, October 17. He spoke on the assistance student help can give the librarian.

Brother Joseph Walter attended a meeting of high school principals at Champagne, Ill., during the first week of October.

School Enrollments

	1953-54	1952-53
Sacred Heart Juniorate, Watertown, Wisconsin	40	40
Saint Joseph Juniorate, Valatie, New York	7	16
St. Joseph Novitiate, Rolling Prairie, Indiana	60	43
Dujarie Scholasticate, Notre Dame, Indiana	30	39
Vincent Scholasticate, Austin, Texas	46	56
Vincentian Institute, Albany, New York	528	494
Archbishop Hoban High School, Akron, Ohio	81	...
St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas	319	407
St. Edward University High School, Austin, Texas	210	192
Notre Dame High School, Biloxi, Mississippi	210	210
Mt. Carmel School, Bronx, New York	288	251
St. Francis School, Brooklyn, New York	370	379
St. Thomas School, Brooklyn, New York	263	257
Rancho San Antonio, Chatsworth, California	50	...
Holy Trinity High School, Chicago, Illinois	670	683
Boysville, Clinton, Michigan	118	103
Reitz Memorial High School, Evansville, Indiana	354	357
Gilmour Academy, Gates Mills, Ohio	150	151
Cathedral High School, Indianapolis, Indiana	775	826
St. Edward's High School, Lakewood, Ohio	1350	1122
St. Anthony High School, Long Beach, California	650	680
St. Charles Boys' Home, Milwaukee, Wisconsin	52	46
Catholic Central High School, Monroe, Michigan	319	296
Holy Cross High School, New Orleans, Louisiana	770	798
Notre Dame High School, Sherman Oaks, California	770	655
St. Joseph High School, South Bend, Indiana	363	179
Msgr. Coyle High School, Taunton, Massachusetts	525	525
Gibault School for Boys, Terre Haute, Indiana	109	115
Notre Dame High School, West Haven, Connecticut	581	571
Notre Dame International School, Rome, Italy	39	39
Ginasio Dom Amando, Santarem, Brazil	255	255
Totals	10,352	9,785

In Our Mail

This letter from a former pupil gives us a pleasure that we would like to share with many of our readers.

Dear Brother Gerard:

My chief reason for writing is to let you know that your *Brothers of Holy Cross* paper has accomplished another worthwhile purpose.

Coincidence being what it is, things have fallen strangely here.

While in the Army, I have found my typing (taken at C.C.) useful as a company clerk. When I came to Iceland I found that I was to replace a very devout Catholic boy, then the clerk at M Company. When I got to know him, he confided in me, and told me he felt he had a vocation to the Brothers of Holy Cross. I told him of my brother Philip, who is just about through at N.D. now, and told him about the Order and its mission. He showed me several copies of your paper, and said they had impressed him. The information had given him the knowledge of the Brothers he needed to be certain of his calling. While he was still here, he applied for admission, took his physical, and received his acceptance. He planned to be in Watertown (Wis.) in September to enter the Juniorate.

So, although I myself haven't received

the vocation to the Brotherhood, one of my brothers, and a good Army friend have, and I am happy to have been able to encourage both of them a little bit.

I'll close now, but I thought you'd like to know that even in a place like Iceland your paper is doing an effective job. Please say a few prayers for your boys in the service.

Sincerely,
John —

We've answered John and ask you to join us in "telling the beads" for the boys in the service. Ed.

"I usually answer most appeals with a picture in green of Lincoln but your *Come To Hollywood* deserves one of Hamilton or a check for the equivalent."

Thanks, Padre. May Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, inspire many others to follow your generous example in supporting this Rosary project. Ed.

Who said that he had read so much about the evils of smoking that he had decided to give up — reading?

Obituary

Please pray for the souls of Sister M. Conrada, C.S.C.; Sister M. Clementia, C.S.C.; and an uncle of Brothers Lawrence and William Fitch.

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Rancho Has New Leaders

The Brothers of Holy Cross took over the administration of Rancho San Antonio, the "Boys Town of the West", at 21000 Plummer Street, Chatsworth, California, the first of September. Their advent was announced by Robert J. Magdlen, the chairman of the board, as the fulfillment of a long-range plan instigated by James Francis Cardinal McIntyre more than two years ago.

"The Holy Cross Brothers have been active in work with youth for more than a century in the United States and are particularly suited to a home like Rancho San Antonio, where proper counseling and guidance are so important to the program," Magdlen stated.

Brother Carlos Dolan, C.S.C., formerly the assistant superior at Boyssville, Clinton, Mich., is the superior and director of Rancho San Antonio. His assistant is Brother Armand Amman, C.S.C., who



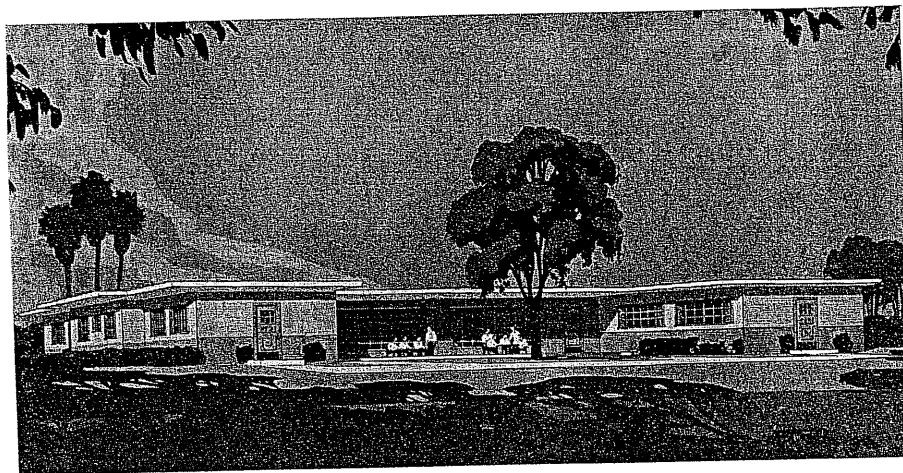
Rancho boys welcome Brothers Armand and Carlos.

has been teaching and counseling at Gibault School for Boys, Terre Haute, Ind., since 1937.

The Brother-counselors assigned to Rancho San Antonio are Brother Crispin Reeb, formerly a commissioner and prefect at St. Edward's University, Austin, Tex., and Brother Raymond Gunzel, who has taught at Notre Dame High School, Sherman Oaks, Calif., for the past five years.

Three other schools conducted by the Brothers of Holy Cross for underprivileged boys are: St. Charles Boys Home, Milwaukee, Wis., Gibault School for Boys, Terre Haute, Ind., and Boyssville, Clinton, Mich.

Although Notre Dame High in Biloxi, Miss., opened a week late, Brother Rex Hennel reports that the Brothers are holding classes in the new building as it is nearing completion.



Dormitory Building, Rancho San Antonio, Chatsworth, California.

Thanks

The response to last month's appeal for funds for the filming of the Fifth Sorrowful Mystery of the Most Holy Rosary has been generous. Since the goal is still far away, we hope that many more will give financial aid to this Family Rosary project. We are confident that the Blessed Virgin has enough clients whose united efforts will accomplish this work begun in her honor.

Nor was St. Joseph forgotten. His altar was well supplied with flowers and vigil lights during the novena for vocations to the Brothers of Holy Cross from October 11 to 19. May the friends of St. Joseph remember him again during every monthly novena.

We are also grateful to those who labeled their donation or part of it for the financing of our little newspaper. It costs two hundred dollars more or less for each issue, and no editor likes to see his brain child running around with a bloody nose. Thanks not only to those who are keeping us out of the red but also to the clients of the Blessed Virgin and St. Joseph for their contributions.

Listed by states, they are: *Arkansas*, Mr. R. E. Philbin; *California*, Mrs. M. Martin; *Connecticut*, Mr. L. Acquarulo; *Illinois*, Mr. L. H. Becker, Mr. and Mrs. A. Enk, Mrs. A. Grejczyk, Mr. and Mrs. I. Grzeskowiak, Mr. J. M. Harrington, Mrs. P. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. A. Leick, Mrs. P. Pieroth, Mr. S. Rozczynski, Mr. W. L. Shea, Mr. and Mrs. M. Sullivan; *Indiana*, B. J. B. Aery, Anon., Mr. and Mrs. Berendsen, Mrs. L. F. Beutter, Mr. and Mrs. R. Buschatz, Mrs. J. Dubala, Mrs. M. Dudzik, Mr. J. H. Gottmoller, Mrs. Anna Hogan, B. A. Houser, Mrs. T. Huemmer, Mrs. M. Justak, Mrs. S. Justak, Mrs. G. Juszczak, Mr. and Mrs. G. Keyler, Mrs. M. Steinmetz, Mr. J. Witowski; *Iowa*, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hunter; *Kansas*, Mr. J. Otter; *Kentucky*, St. Xavier High School; *Louisiana*, Mrs. J. Delhommer, Mrs. V. H. Pelligrini, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Reggio, Sacred Heart

High School; *Maine*, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Michaud, Mr. P. C. Walsh; *Maryland*, Xaverian Brothers; *Massachusetts*, Mrs. J. H. Brennan, Mr. D. Delano, Mr. and Mrs. J. Flood, Mrs. F. G. Murphy, Mrs. J. Repucci; *Michigan*, Mr. J. Amman, Sister M. Arthur, Mr. S. Balog, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bleu, Mrs. L. Bogan, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Hurley, Mr. and Mrs. L. Nowack, Mr. A. Platte, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Pollack, Mrs. S. Sitar, A. and N. Teske; *Minnesota*, Mrs. L. Rock; *Missouri*, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Reichert; *Nebraska*, Mrs. S. Proskovac; *New Hampshire*, Mrs. E. Champagne, Mr. W. H. Fourlotte; *New Jersey*, Mr. and Mrs. R. Legath, Mrs. C. Parker, Mrs. S. Wilson; *New York*, St. Thomas Aquinas School, Mrs. V. Bomer, Mrs. R. P. Charles, Mr. W. Donohue, Mrs. M. Healy, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. J. Neidl, the Nilan Family, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. M. O'Laughlin, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ritter, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Schmitz, Mr. E. Seger, Miss M. Sheedy, Mrs. V. Teseriero; *North Dakota*, St. Alphonsus High School; *Ohio*, Mrs. G. DaRooge, Mr. and Mrs. M. Dierker, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Foos, Rev. J. Frey, Mr. and Mrs. N. Frey, Mr. G. Houser, Mr. and Mrs. E. McGory, Mrs. S. A. Mang, Mrs. V. Millar, Mr. A. J. Schaefer, Mrs. J. Siwierka; *Oregon*, Mrs. B. J. Martin; *Pennsylvania*, Mr. P. P. Achourey, Mr. T. W. Barber, Mr. A. Bebetu, Sr., Mrs. W. Bransby, Mr. and Mrs. M. Purzycki, Mr. and Mrs. L. Reisenweber; *Texas*, Mr. A. Drobnak, Mr. Conroy Scoggins; *Wisconsin*, Mr. and Mrs. A. Adam, Mr. F. Beere, Mr. and Mrs. W. Benesh, Mr. L. Bibeau, Mr. and Mrs. W. Geenen, Mr. W. J. Schmid, and Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Warnke.

Brother Lionel Light, the circulation manager of the *Ave Maria*, attended the Midwestern Regional Meeting of the Catholic Press Association at the Biltmore Hotel in Dayton, Ohio, October 29 and 30.

Brother Columbkille Returns

After eight busy years in East Pakistan, Brother Columbkille Pickett has returned to visit his parents in Jersey City and to take up an assignment at Gibault School for Boys in Terre Haute.

Brother went to the missions in 1945, shortly after World War II. His first year there was devoted to a study of the language, Bengali. After that he taught at Holy Cross School in Bandura, and for over a year was the steward of the Mymensingh Mission.

As playground director at Bandura, Brother Columbkille not only carried on the fine sports program which has long been traditional at Holy Cross High but also improved it with many new and original ideas. Under his direction the school's football team won numerous victories, while the basketball and volleyball leagues developed many a promising athlete. Brother's carefully planned annual Sports Day provided all of the usual events: broad jump, high jump, pole vault, discus throw, and the various runs. The monsoon season brought the boat races in which many students participated and which always attracted spectators from all the neighboring schools. Brother's boxing club which was organized early in his career met with success even though Bengali boys are far from pugilistic by nature.

Brother Columbkille was always to be found with the boys. His insight into their problems and his willingness to help provided them with a trusted confidant and counsellor. Numerous former students, returning from their jobs in Calcutta, Delhi, and Karachi, found their way to Brother's door for a chat about school days and old acquaintances. The appreciation of the students for Brother's interest in their welfare was well attested when the news reached them that he would be leaving. He was feted at teas by several of the boys' clubs and received invitations to the homes of many of his students.

Before leaving Bandura Brother organized a federation of all the local village clubs of which every Christian boy is a member.

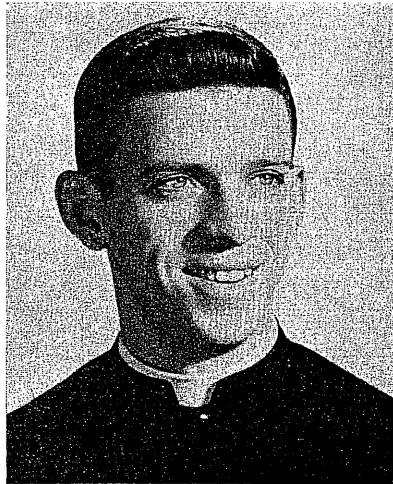
Wednesday, September 16, the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary completed fifty years of service at Holy Cross High School in New Orleans. To celebrate the occasion there was a Mass of Thanksgiving and a special assembly of the student body.

Congratulations to the Sisters, and especially to their venerable superior, Mother David, who has spent fifty years at Holy Cross.

Brother Richard Goes to Brazil

An Audubon guide, an insect collection, and a book entitled *The Flora and Fauna of Brazil* — these were among the first objects that Brother Richard Burgie, C.S.C., packed in his trunk when he prepared to set sail for South America. Since Brother is quite a biologist, botanist, and in general, an all-around bug specialist, he will feel quite at ease when he cuts his way through the underbrush and settles on the lush shores of the Amazon. Although he is not considering his assignment as a long awaited field trip, he is sure to be a valuable teacher in the science department of the Ginasio Dom Amando.

In preparation for his mission, Brother studied Portuguese, the native tongue of Brazil, at the Berlitz School of Languages in Chicago last summer. He



will be no stranger when he arrives in Brazil since he joins three novitiate classmates, Brothers James Walter, Paul Schaefer, and John Boyle. We are sure that they will aid him in learning the intricacies of this new tongue.

Brother Richard hopes to establish a boy scout troop among the native boys, a job for which he is well equipped. To help things out, he is taking a sturdy new aluminum boat and a 15 horse power outboard motor to go with it. These objects are presents to the Brothers in Brazil from the beloved chaplains of two of the Brothers' houses at Notre Dame, Indiana, Father Wendell P. Corcoran, C.S.C., of the Community House, and Father Cornelius J. Hagerty, C.S.C., of Dujarie Scholasticate.

Before leaving, Brother Richard confessed a secret ambition he hopes to fulfill upon arriving in South America. He wants to smoke a native pipe.

We don't know if he'll be successful in this venture, but we do know that he has a youthful spirit, religious zeal and a wonderful sense of humor. With these, he'll be successful.

In Evansville

The Reitz Memorial Band under the direction of Brother John Hanon took part in Fire Prevention ceremonies Wednesday night, October 7, and in the parade for the Annual Nut Festival Saturday night, October 17.

It took a seven-car special train to accommodate Reitz Memorial's followers of Evansville when their football team journeyed to Louisville, Ky., October 16, to play St. Xavier's.

At Home Among C.S.C.'s

Brother Joseph Berg, a scholastic at St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, writes about his vacation.

"I not only had the opportunity of going home like the rest of my group, but I also had the privilege of being a guest in five houses of the community. Going to another place conducted by the Brothers is like visiting close relatives, for we are one big happy family. Everyone made me feel at home and treated me like a king.

"At Notre Dame I found half my novitiate group healthy and alert enjoying summer school. With the honorable intention of staying only an hour or so at Dujarie, I found myself accepting Brother Columba's hospitality for a much longer time. Brother Thomas Chady, my traveling companion, and I maintain that Dujarie treated us royally.

"The other houses showed us similar Holy Cross hospitality. In Chicago, Holy Trinity gave us a tour through the school and a chance of meeting veterans of the community. They were most friendly to us young religious. The Novitiate was a visit that I would never pass up. Brother Dominic made us feel right at home, showed us the alterations made recently, and was most generous in letting us see all the novices. I couldn't forget my old home, Sacred Heart Juniorate, where I entered. Even though a couple of years have passed, I found Brother Francis Borgia as witty as ever. I also found to my surprise improvements galore and the postulants numerous.

"But none of the changes at the Novitiate or Watertown could compare with those at St. Charles where they have a God-sent building which was badly needed for years. Due to the efforts of Brother Lawrence it is perfectly planned, and the chapel is something to behold. It alone is on the second floor, and is of a modern design which is outstanding. Large windows add to its beauty.

"So Brothers, never pass up a community house when you are on a vacation; if you do you will certainly be missing something."