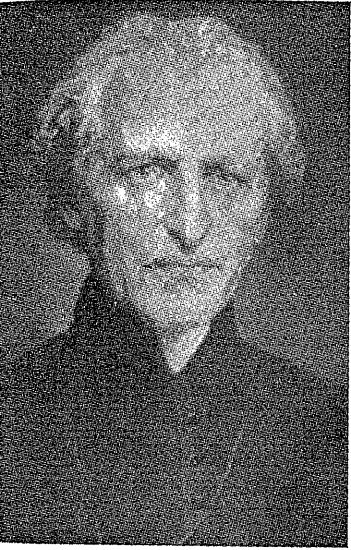




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Candidates for Beatification

On March 15 the Sacred Congregation of Rites officially approved the Very Reverend Basil Moreau, C.S.C., founder



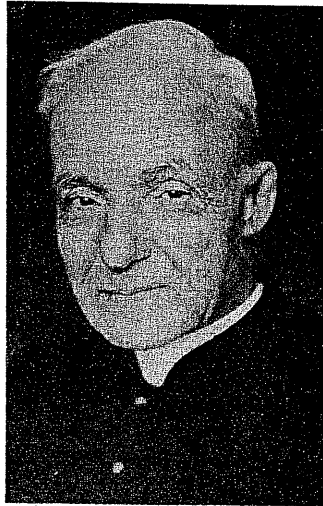
Very Rev. Basil Anthony Moreau

of the Congregation of Holy Cross, candidate for beatification. He died in 1873 at the age of seventy-four and his body rests in the crypt of the mother church of the Congregation at Le Mans, France. His spiritual children now labor on many lands. In 1841 he sent Father Sorin and six Brothers of Holy Cross to conduct a school in Vincennes, Indiana. While there they learned about a better opportunity for a school in northern Indiana. A year later, with the approval of the Bishop, Father Sorin and his Brothers came to Notre Dame and founded a university. As Superior General, Father Moreau visited Notre Dame in 1857 and was much pleased with the progress of the University. At the same time he visited St. Mary's College, an institution conducted by the Brothers of Holy Cross who likewise regard him as their founder.

The Congregation of Holy Cross is composed of two distinct Societies, one of Priests and the other of Brothers. Each Society has its own Provincials and Local Superiors. The Superior General is a priest elected by both Societies, and he is assisted by two priests and two Brothers. Every six years Priest-delegates and Brother-delegates meet for a

General Chapter to review the over-all work of the Congregation. Operating under the same Constitutions, this practical union of priests and Brothers has proved an admirable means of providing mutual services and in maintaining common enterprises.

A few words will explain the reason for two Societies in one Congregation. In 1820 the Very Reverend James Dujarie founded a teaching community known as the *Brothers of Saint Joseph*. In 1835 he turned over the direction of his Brothers to Father Moreau, a young priest who at that time was directing a group of *Auxiliary Priests* in the Diocese of Le Mans. In progressive stages, Father Moreau united Priests and Brothers in what he called the *Association of Holy Cross* (named after *Sainte-Croix*, a suburb of Le Mans, where he had his headquarters). The Priests were known as *Salvatorists of Holy Cross* and the Brothers as *Josephites of Holy Cross*. During the next twenty years more definite organic union appeared in the *Association* which became better known as the *Congregation of Holy Cross*, the Constitutions of which were approved by Rome in 1857.



Brother Andre Bessette

The second Holy Cross candidate whose virtues are being considered at Rome is Brother André Bessette, the *Miracle Man of Montreal*. He died January 6, 1937, at the age of ninety-two, and his body rests in a shrined tomb in

the basement of the magnificent Oratory of Saint Joseph which he founded and fostered. March 19, 1955, the Oratory was favored by Rome with the title of Basilica. It is visited daily by thousands seeking spiritual and temporal favors through the intercession of Brother André and Saint Joseph. Brother André visited the United States several times in his apostolate of promoting devotion to Saint Joseph. Twice he visited Notre Dame, the first time in 1920 as an elected delegate from Canada to the General Chapter of the Congregation held that year at Notre Dame. On March 15, 1955, the Sacred Congregation of Rites formally approved his writings, a preliminary step in considering him for beatification.

It is of interest to note that the first member of Holy Cross to make perpetual vows was also called Brother André (Mottais). He was the efficient assistant of Father Dujarie from 1820 to 1835. Under his new Superior General, Father Moreau, he pronounced his final vows on August 25, 1835. Until his death nine years later he was a devoted assistant of Father Moreau in solving the many problems incident to the early development of the Congregation of Holy Cross.

The Religious Brother

A Brother is a man who devotes all his energies to pleasing God, to working for daily personal improvement, and to working for the perfection and salvation of others. In schools and missions he shares with those entrusted to him the goodness he works to acquire through the religious life.

For such high goals, a special program of formation is required. A young man first enters the Juniorate to make a good transition from lay life to that of the religious. The step needs to be gradual. From the Juniorate he enters the Novitiate, where he is specially trained to live the religious life as interpreted by the Congregation of Holy Cross. The Novitiate year is a time when a young man studies the spiritual life, the obligation of the vows, and strives to become more pleasing and more closely attached to God. There he lives on terms of intimacy with Christ, and in the "heat of that Divine Heart," he begins to be transformed and identified with the Divine Lord, for Whose service he exists and Whose property

he becomes." Often just a few such years of intimacy with Christ are sufficient to work the fundamental transformation of the apostle—making him a personal herald and ambassador of Christ. He becomes some one in whom Christ may be seen. Then, and really only then, is he ready to work for others.

Gates Mills, Ohio

At the Gilmour Men's Club fifth annual Sports Mixer Gilmour students met such athletic notables as Bob Kennedy of the Baltimore Orioles, Dan and Creighton Miller, former Notre Dame football stars, Joey Maxim, one time light-heavyweight champion boxer, and many other players and writers famed in local and national sports.

A surprise for the gathering was a telephone call from Brother Theophane Schmitt, former headmaster of Gilmour and now stationed in Rome, provided for by Mr. Velotta. Via a loudspeaker, Brother Theophane, along with Brothers Loyola Christoph and Donard Steffes, both former teachers at the Academy, told of progress at the International School in Rome and of work to be done there.

A most ambitious theater project at Gilmour, the production of "The Cocktail Party," the famed T. S. Eliot play, has been announced by Brother Ivo, who has begun casting the roles which call for six boys and four girls.

An evening's entertainment arranged by the Gilmour Women's Club and titled "An Oriental Affair" featured, among other things, fezzes, samovars, and scimitars. The Club held the party in order to complete paying for a beautiful oriental rug the members bought for Tudor House, the main building at Gilmour.

Lakewood, Ohio

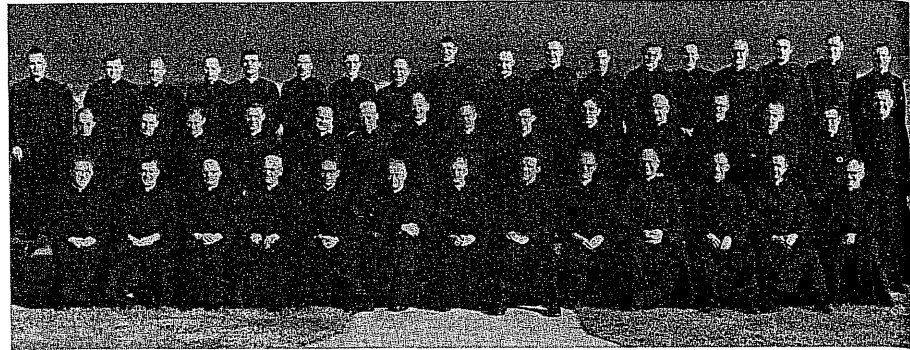
On a TV program called "Inside Catholic Schools," emanating from Cleveland, Brother Eric Landers demonstrated Socratic teaching methods by explaining to three seniors how to use a rectifier to change alternating to direct current for use in broadcasting. Other St. Edward's seniors appeared on a television program called "Industry Operates on Time," the story of time study engineering.

562 boys signed up for the intramural basketball tournament at St. Edward's; the couple of hundred high-schoolers watching the after-school games every day prove interest in this program is high.

The annual school musical at St. Edward's High will be "Tune Time," scheduled for three showings in April plus a matinee for religious of the diocese. The finale, "This Is My Country," will feature a tableau depicting the raising of the flag at Iwo Jima.

California

At the opening of the 1941 school year four Brothers from Notre Dame were assigned to teach at St. Anthony's High in Long Beach, California. Since then the Brothers of Holy Cross have been asked to open Notre Dame High (1947)



Left to right, front row: Brothers Jeffrey Michels, Nivard Meichtry, Gordian Gates, Owen Lynch, Cyriac Hayden, Father James McDonald, Brothers Charles Andersen, Carlos Dolan, Francis Assisi Davis, Phillip Snyderburn, Stanislaus Rusilowski, Isidore Otter, Berchmans Gibbons; second row, Brothers Myron Bachenheimer, John Doran, Donald Hecox, Marco Daly, Just Paczesny, Raymond Gunzel, Keric Dever, Elmer Brummer, James Clay, Paul Enk, Ricardo Helmann, Francis Robinson, Dunstan Bowles, Alfred Salz, Thomas Daugherty; top row, Brothers Rembert Sorg, Elwin Bores, Ewald Lyons, Donald Connolly, Peter Celestino Maranto, Albert Martin, Roberto Muller, Eugenio Cassano, Benignus Beutter, William Buschatz, Franklin Cullen, Robert Hampton, John Terlisner, Thomas Frey, Luke Bauer, Bernard Berendson, Cassian Miller, and John McLaughlin.

New Orleans, Louisiana

The four Brothers and seven students who are building the Lourdes Grotto on the campus of Holy Cross High got help recently from several quarters. The student body contributed \$527 for it; the formal garden surrounding it will be designed and executed by three generous mothers: Mrs. Thomas P. Riley, Mrs. Claude Pumilia, and Mrs. John Chase; Mrs. H. V. Pellegrini, long a benefactor of Holy Cross, gave two wrought-iron lamps for the garden; and eighth grade pupils at the school will purchase the water fountain.

Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Crain recently donated more than \$300 worth of books to the Holy Cross library. Books of fiction, music, and contemporary history comprise most of the collection.

Besides his regular teaching schedule, Brother Vincent de Paul Hujar, who directs the Grotto project mentioned above, had and has other irons in the fire. Recently he addressed the Serra Club, national laymen's group that fosters religious vocations, on the subject, "Our Great Moral Challenge—Youth." To the Gentilly Women's Club he spoke on "Character Analysis," and he is planning to have the Mask and Wig Society, which he directs, present the three-act comedy classic of Moliere, "The Would-Be Gentleman."

On March 16, a panel of five Holy Cross students led by Brother Anton Mattingly reviewed Eulalie Grover's book, *Robert Louis Stevenson, Teller of*

in Sherman Oaks, and Rancho San Antonio (1953), a home in Chatsworth for underprivileged boys. All of these institutions of the Los Angeles archdiocese have grown beyond expectations. The 45 Brothers pictured on this page are engaged in bringing the spirit of Notre Dame to the boys of southern California.

Tales on the New Orleans TV program "Teenage Book Review." Holy Cross was the first school to appear on the telecast of this program, on which Holy Cross students and teachers have appeared to date seven times.

Holy Cross High's Band marched in three Mardi Gras parades—Okeanos, Momus, and Proteus. Brother Alfred Grilli directs the group.

Opera for high school boys was the note struck when the New Orleans Opera Association presented excerpts from Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" to the students of Holy Cross High. The program, given in English, impressed the boys and aroused notable appreciation for musical fare teen-agers usually avoid.

Brother Terence Hass' Junior Tiger basketball team has a string of ten victories for an undefeated first round of play.

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Indianapolis, Indiana

With a goal set at \$2000, the drive for the Holy Cross Foreign Missions at Cathedral High School opened with a talk by Brother Hobart Pieper, a missionary currently on leave from Pakistan. Working better than anyone dared imagine, the students amassed \$2484, after expenses, a record sum among Brothers' schools. Moving force behind the drive was Brother Viator Crzesko-lak.

Cathedral High has always been high on the roster of Holy Cross schools interested in our Brothers' work, whether in the United States or in foreign lands. Their successful drive, along with those of past years, indicates that the boys of Cathedral are pleased with the education they are receiving and that they appreciate the educational apostolate of the Brothers.

Half-day retreats for any Cathedral boys who care to attend are conducted monthly by Brother Pedro Haering, the principal. About 25 boys take part in each retreat, which includes Holy Mass, Communion, reading, conferences, Rosary, and Benediction.

Austin, Texas

Dr. Benton B. Owen, professor of physical chemistry at Yale, stopped at St. Edward's University recently for a brief talk with Brother Romard Barthel, who heads the Division of Physical and Natural Sciences there. They discussed acoustic interferometers, as both men are interested in measuring sound velocities by using this instrument in order to study the properties of electrolytic solutions.

Brother Raphael Wilson is preparing a mixed choral group, composed of students from the St. Edward's University Glee Club and students from Seton School of Nursing who are special students on the St. Edward's campus, for a program of Lenten and Easter music to be given at Seton Hall and St. Edward's respectively.

Selections will be arranged to correspond to Scriptural quotations telling the story of Easter and will feature a wide variety of technical choral methods, including a *capella* and polyphonic numbers and three- to six-part harmonies.

Two St. Edward's students took first and second place in the original oratory division at the National Federation of Catholic College Students regional speech festival recently held at St. Thomas University in Houston. Sponsorship of the annual contests, of which this was the first, will rotate among member schools.

A new type of endowment plan involving insurance is being studied at St. Edward's University. The alumnus anyone else interested in the school's welfare buys a policy from some in-

surance company, stipulating that dividends from the policy are to go to the school, but the holder or his beneficiaries still receive the cash value of the policy.

The fact that actual money paid into the policy always goes back to the holder or his beneficiaries should the insured person die before the policy reaches maturity has enhanced the popularity of this plan wherever it has been adopted. The person insured can provide more security for himself, additional protection for his family, and at the same time help St. Edward's financially without an actual deficit in his own finances.

In schools using this plan, a large number of seniors sign up at graduation time. Unable, usually, at that time to donate large sums to their alma mater, they want to help in some way, and this insurance plan helps them do so and at the same time helps them to save systematically.

Almost any insurance company has a number of policies of this type, and the interested person need only contact his local agent to make necessary arrangements.

Mr. John F. Ryder, who introduced the plan at St. Edward's, will be glad to supply anyone with further information. His address is 1406½ Nickerson, Austin, Texas.

St. Edward's University has eighty-four students that are graduates of high schools taught by the Brothers of Holy Cross in eleven different states.

Long Beach, California

A major event at St. Anthony's High School is the annual banquet for the band, which Brother Roberto Muller directs. During this year's celebration the three-foot trophy given each term by Mr. Robert Whittaker, a music store proprietor in Long Beach, was awarded the school's outstanding musician. Then Mr. Joseph Olivadoti, a well known composer for high school bands, presented St. Anthony's band with twenty or more of his published compositions, of which he has published over a hundred since 1934. St. Anthony's band will perform three of his works during its Spring Concert, and Mr. Olivadoti will himself conduct them.

Principal speaker at the banquet was Mr. Robert Resta, the director of the Long Beach Philharmonic Orchestra. He helped found St. Anthony's band some years ago and was its guest conductor for the Christmas concert in 1954.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Bernard Dolan, Pastor of St. Anthony's Parish, recently announced plans for a new grade school. The present grade school will provide accommodations for the ever-growing high school.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, PRAY FOR US

Taunton, Massachusetts

"Furthering the aims and purposes of the Brothers of Holy Cross" is the goal of an Auxiliary Unit formed two months ago by parents of young men from the Taunton area who are now Brothers in the Congregation. In recent years twenty Brothers, mostly graduates of Coyle High School, have entered the Community from the environs of Taunton, and membership in the Auxiliary is consequently notable.

Officers of the Unit for 1955 are: Mr. John J. O'Donnell, president; Miss Jennie Repucci, vice-president; Mrs. William E. Bunting, secretary; Mrs. John Marshall, treasurer. Mrs. William E. Bunting will organize the social activities, Mr. Frank Smith, the publicity. Moderator for the Unit is Brother Hyacinth Sniatecki, C.S.C.

Parents of Brothers from Waterbury, Connecticut, met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Brown on February 5 to organize an Auxiliary Unit for the Brothers of Holy Cross.

Brother Thomas Keefe was elected treasurer of the Connecticut Driver Education Association, a state-wide organization for those who teach driving.

Akron, Ohio

On March 11, Emmet Lavery's *First Legion* was produced in fine style by the freshmen and sophomores of Archbishop Hoban High School. For all their inexperience, they gave this work, of a serious and problematic nature, an intelligent and understanding interpretation. Directed by Brother Jerome Schwabe, assisted by Brother Andrew Sukenik, with settings by Brother Bertram Madden, and lighting by Brother Paul Burns, the drama inaugurated the new auditorium as the site of many other stage successes to come.

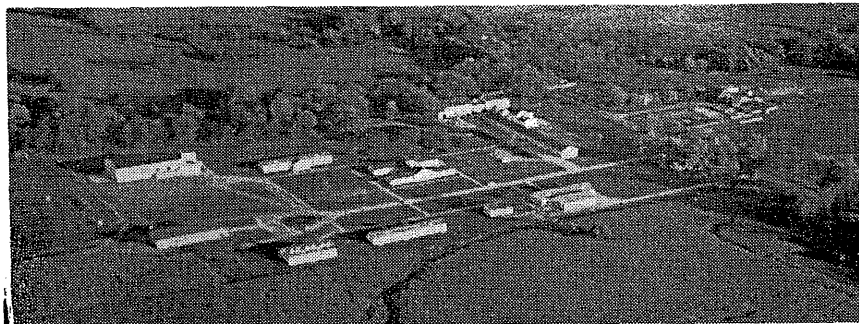
The Archbishop Hoban High School Band made its initial public appearance as a participant in the Catholic School Band Festival at John Carroll University Auditorium, March 20. Attired in new varsity uniforms, the band members, now playing together for only one and one-half years, amazed the audience by giving a remarkably good performance of selections usually presented by more mature ensembles. This outstanding accomplishment was due to the indefatigable efforts of the director, Brother Jerome Schwabe, who, over the fourteen school months the band has existed, nurtured and fostered it with patience and understanding from its very inception.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

St. Charles acquired a set of the Encyclopedia Britannica, junior edition, from the National Exchange Club, which distributes them to youth institutions.

BROTHERS HELP BOYS SOLVE PROBLEMS AT BOYSVILLE, MICHIGAN

At present there are nearly fifty Brothers of Holy Cross busy working at four homes for underprivileged boys around the country. The Brothers heading these institutions, especially, as well as members of their staffs, have spent many months studying various phases



of social work, both in theory and in practice, to qualify for their jobs, and the Congregation, on the other hand, has spared no expense to so train them. Modern society, an aberrant one, continues to produce more and more young people who, because of family problems or broken homes or lacklustre upbringing, must be called underprivileged. Training Brothers to provide for them adequately is, consequently, a growing problem too. Anyone, therefore, looking about for a worthy cause for the allocation of his charities might give a thought to this need.

A good illustration of the Brothers' work among underprivileged youth can be found at Boysville, in Clinton, Michigan, about forty miles southeast of Detroit. The only Catholic school in the area designed by purpose and service to supplement the task of the parochial high school, it exists for boys unable to profit from normal community or parish school opportunities because of environmental or family difficulties. At its beginnings in 1948, His Eminence Edward Cardinal Mooney designated Boysville as a school for boys with a problem—and not a school for problem boys.

Boysville provides a normal eighth grade and high school program, similar to that in other boarding schools, but adapted and patterned to local needs; its primary purpose, too, is academic achievement. Supplementing its scholastic program are shops, athletics, the school band, saddle and photography clubs, and the student council. Boysville's Director, Brother Hilarion Brezik, administers the counselling and guidance program.

The Bishops of Michigan sponsor Boysville, and the Michigan Councils of the Knights of Columbus finance it. In the seven years Boysville has existed, the Brothers of Holy Cross have literally built with their hands much of the physical and tangible reality that is

Boysville today. Four Brothers constituted its first staff; today there are fourteen, plus the chaplain, a Holy Cross Father.

Plans for Boysville call for a plant of 12 units, including administration and faculty quarters, school, shops, dining

hall and kitchen, infirmary and clinic, four dormitories to accommodate 320 boys, gymnasium, recreation building, and chapel. Two years ago the first of the dormitories, providing for 80 boys, was built, and a new chapel was erected last fall. The gymnasium, built in 1951, serves also as an auditorium, having a well equipped stage and a projection room.

Until projected plans can be realized, the 150 boys currently at Boysville will continue to tax the temporary installations to the limit. In a few years, however, if the Michigan Knights and the Brothers continue as they have, Boysville should be able to house the 320 boys planned for.

Evansville

Brother John Hanon, band and glee club man at Reitz Memorial, reports that four of his boys were first division winners in the annual state-wide music contest.

Memorial outstripped all other Evansville schools when thirteen of its students passed the N.R.O.T.C. examinations, a number equalling the combined total of the other schools.

Sherman Oaks, California

Notre Dame High School thespians directed by Brother Dunstan Bowles won the senior division in the eighth annual CYO Drama Festival in Los Angeles.

The winning play, "Without the Light," was an original by Brother Dunstan, depicting the problems of a group of young men trapped in a church basement after an air raid.

Brother Just Paczesny was one of the panelists who spoke at the Archdiocesan Vocation Rally in Los Angeles on April 3. Increasing vocations is imperative in the West; the Catholic population in California alone has doubled since 1945, and the need for Priests, Brothers, and Sisters has increased proportionately.

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Obituary

Please pray for the souls of Rev. Francis J. Nowakowski, C.S.C., Rev. Ernest Perrier, C.S.C., Brother Nicholas Och, C.S.C., Sister M. Ester, C.S.C., Sister M. Romaine, C.S.C., father of Brother Armin Demute, father of Brother Celestis Mueller, father of Brother Eldred Reisenweber, mother of Brother Joseph Martin, mother of Brother Marcellin Fahey, aunt of Brothers Timothy and Fernand Hickey, an uncle and a cousin of Brother Maurus O'Malley, cousin of Brother John Harris, mother of Brother Renatus Foldenauer, and cousin of Brother Francis Fitzpatrick.