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## HOLY FATHER ADDRESSES DELEGATES

### *Discourse of His Holiness, Pope Pius XII, to the Members of the General Chapter*

July 22, 1956, His Holiness, Pope Pius XII, received in an exclusive audience at Castel Gandolfo the Fathers and Brothers of the Congregation of Holy Cross gathered in Rome for the General Chapter. After delivering the following address to the group, he departed with each of the members for a few moments.

#### *The Pope's Address*

Matters of moment for your Congregation and, let Us add, for the Church have called you together, beloved sons, in General Chapter. For how can the Church be particularly concerned with whatever will help to strengthen and render more efficient that precious instrument given to Her God in Religious Orders and Congregations for the consolidation of the Faith at home and its continuous growth throughout the far-flung Mission fields? Hence, we were happy to accede to the request made of Us by your revered Superior General in the name of the Capitulants to receive you here, and thus enjoy the opportunity of expressing very simply and briefly a few thoughts suggested by the occasion. Let Us say at once that it was extremely gratifying to know that a wise and discerning preparation has preceded the opening of this General Chapter. Over the past months special commissions have been studying the agenda; the entire field of your Congregation's activities has been surveyed by men of competence and experience, and the means sought and weighed that would increase the fruitfulness of those activities for the good of souls.

They are indeed many and varied; and the nature of each will naturally be a guide and measure of the special formation your members will have to receive. Your work in universities calls for men well-versed in the Arts and Sciences, Philosophy and Theology, who with a spirit of holy zeal consecrate themselves to a persevering pursuit of high scholarship, so that the school they serve may become a centre radiating that life which comes from true wisdom for the



His Holiness speaks to Father Hesburgh, President of the University of Notre Dame, while Father General, Brothers Bonaventure and Ephrem, and Father Grimm enjoy the conversation.

benefit of the national community. Knowledge and man's craving for knowledge have always been a weapon cleverly wielded by the enemies of God's Church. It is so today. Catholic scholars must be prepared to meet the enemy on his own ground. Illumined in their task by the splendours of divine Faith they will demonstrate beyond doubting that Truth is one and its multiple rays, if followed with humble sincerity will inevitably lead one back to Him, "in Whom are all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" (Col. 2, 3).

This thought summons up happy memories of a visit We made just twenty years ago to your Notre Dame in America, and it is consoling for Us to hear of the steady progress and mounting prestige it achieves as year follows year.

But your schools will do more than reflect scholarship. Youth has need not only of a sane and sound culture. It must come to develop a calm and well-balanced judgment, capable of discerning between truth and error, good and

evil, justice and its failure. Firmly grounded in convictions planted by Faith and Reason, they must be strong enough not to be carried away by false illusions or violent passion or a fickle public opinion that measures everything by the rule of immediate, apparent success. Such youth the Church with full reason expects to see passing with sure step from the portals of your schools. The supernatural truths of Christ's teaching and example have become the consistent motivation of their thoughts and conduct, and you may confidently look forward to their being a joy to His Spouse, the Church, and an asset to Society.

Now the task of moulding youth must begin early, cannot begin too early; and consequently, one understands the immense importance of the work done in the Secondary Schools, where the adolescent, entering on a period of transition and powerful pulsations, senses perhaps for the first time the smoke of battle, glimpses the proud nobility of victory, and when, if he is not to falter, to compromise or surrender, he is in dire need of a conscience that reflects the truth steadily and clearcut, and a will with steel in it. That is why We have followed with special interest the beginnings and rapid evolution of your Notre Dame in Rome, conducted by the Brothers of your Congregation. How happy We are to hear that expansion is the order of the day for that school.

Your service of the Church, beloved Sons, We know is not confined to education among the faithful, We have confided to your apostolic zeal distant and difficult Missions in India and Pakistan, where a chief care of your Superiors will be to raise and to train a native clergy; and you have generously responded to a pressing need of the Church in some countries of South America. No one can fail to appreciate the heavy burden resting on higher Superiors to prepare men for all these ministries. The spiritual formation of your candidates, We note, you have placed first on

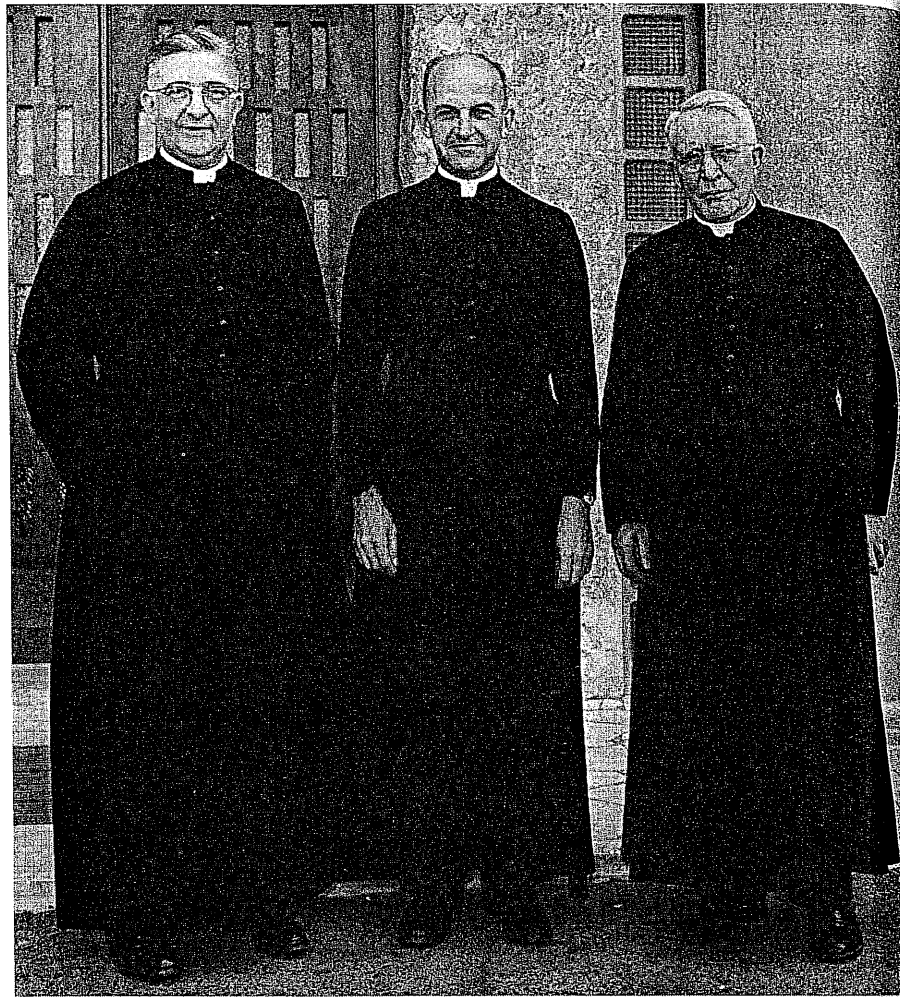
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## New Provincial and Vice-Provincials

July 21, the day following the close of the General Chapter of the Congregation at the Holy Cross Generalate in Rome, Very Reverend Christopher J. O'Toole, Superior General, announced the division of the United States Brothers Province into a province and two vice-provinces, effective November 1. Brother Donatus Schmitz was appointed Provincial of the Midwest Province, Brother Ephrem O'Dwyer Vice-Provincial of the East Vice-Province and Brother John Baptist Titzer Vice-Provincial of the Southwest Vice-Province.

Brother Donatus Schmitz brings to the office of Provincial the wealth of experience gained in various houses of the Congregation. Born in Chicago, 1911, he entered the Watertown juniorate in 1935 and received the habit on August 15 of the following year. First profession was followed by four years at Dujarie Scholasticate. After graduation from the University of Notre Dame in June, 1941, he prefected a summer at St. Charles School for Boys, Milwaukee, Wis., and taught for four years at Monsignor Coyle High School, Taunton, Mass. During the summers he pursued graduate studies at Notre Dame and Fordham. Beginning in 1945 he served successively as superior at St. Joseph Juniorate, Valatie, N. Y., Sacred Heart Juniorate, Watertown, Wis., Notre Dame High School, West Haven, Conn., and Saint Francis High School, Mountain View, California. This summer he was a delegate to the General Chapter. In all these activities he has gained the respect and admiration of his fellow religious and students and has won a host of friends for Holy Cross. His clear concept of the apostolate of the Brothers of Holy Cross, his prudence, fidelity, and deep interest in the spiritual welfare of the members of the Congregation bode well for the future of the Midwest Province.

Brother Ephrem O'Dwyer assumes his duties as Vice-Provincial of the East Vice-Province after serving two terms as Provincial of the U. S. Brothers Province. Born in Tipperary, Eire, in 1888, he joined Holy Cross on his arrival in this country and served the Congregation as a high school and university teacher, as superior of several houses of the Community, provincial councillor and Assistant General before his appointment in 1946 as first Provincial of the newly formed Brothers Province. Under his wise leadership the number of Brothers has nearly doubled during the past ten years and fourteen new foundations were undertaken in this country along with Ginasio Dom Amando in San-



This picture taken at the Generalate in Rome shows left to right: Brother John Baptist Titzer, Vice-Provincial of the Southwest Vice-Province; Brother Donatus Schmitz, Provincial of the Midwest Province; and Brother Ephrem O'Dwyer, Vice-Provincial of the East Vice-Province.

tarem, Brazil and Notre Dame International School in Rome, without the sacrifice of a single existing foundation. His faith, vision, courage and devotion are in a large measure responsible for the high morale evident today among the Brothers of Holy Cross and for the universal esteem in which they are held. The grateful Brothers of the midwest, south and west extend to him a fervent *ad multos annos*. His new office will enable Brother Ephrem to concentrate his efforts on the expansion of Holy Cross in the East and to give the Brothers there the benefit of his personal guidance.

Brother John Baptist Titzer begins his task of directing the newly formed Southwest Vice-Province after six years as Assistant Provincial of the U. S. Province. A native of Evansville, Indiana, he entered the Watertown juniorate in 1925 at the age of eighteen. After teaching at Holy Cross High School in New Orleans and Monsignor Coyle High School in Taunton, Mass., Brother John was appointed Director of Vocations in 1934, the first superior at

Vincentian Institute in Albany in 1938 and the first principal at Notre Dame High School, West Haven, Conn., in 1946. Three years of graduate study at Fordham University, leading to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Education, preceded the latter appointment. In 1950 he was appointed Assistant Provincial. In this office he demonstrated to the entire Community his unflagging enthusiasm, his genius for organization and his ability to get things

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done. One of his most notable achievements has been the organization of excellent summer workshops which have provided a stimulus for better teaching throughout the Province. His recent appointment assures the Southwest Vice-Province of careful planning and sustained vigor in the direction of its many activities.

## Thanks

To our friends who remembered us during the summer vacation. By states they are:

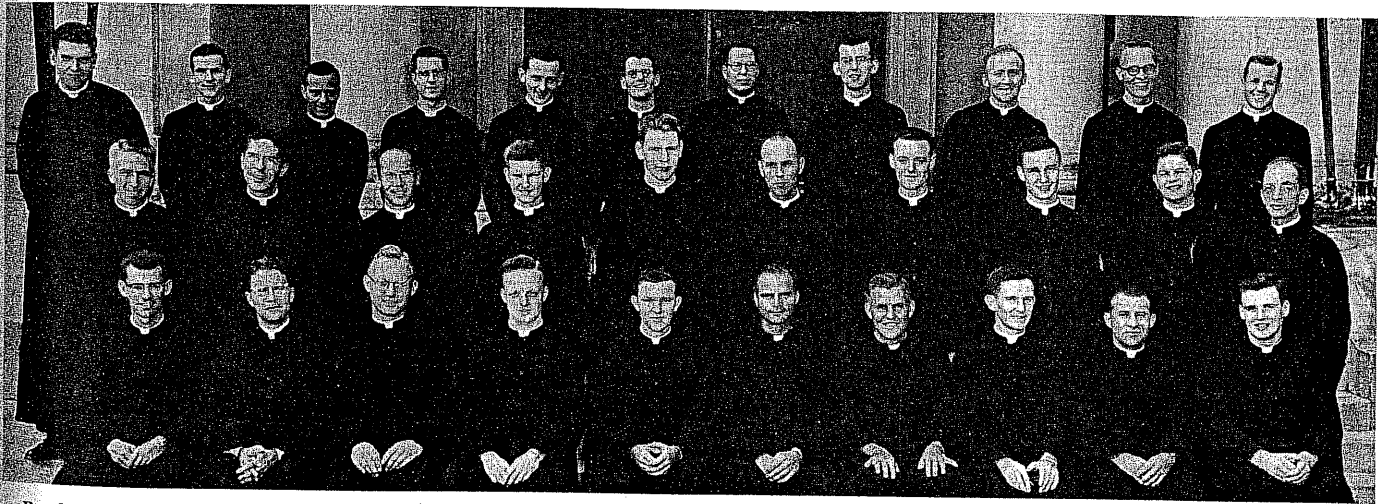
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## + Requiescant in Pace +

Please pray for the souls of: Rev. Lawrence Broughal, C.S.C., Rev. Dollard Morel, C.S.C., Rev. Anthony J. Rozewicz, C.S.C., Brother Didace Normandeau, C.S.C.; the fathers of Brothers Orlando Gozdowski, Valerian McEwan, and Eymard Salzman; the mother of Brother Francis Borgia Woehler; a brother of Brother Norbert Henske, and of Brother Robert O'Brien; a sister of Brother Fintan Kindilien, of Brother Philip Snyderburn, and of Brother Anselm Tatro; an uncle of Brother Marcellus Bonen, of Brother Flavivus Ellison, of Brother Giles Martin, and of Brother Albert Rimlinger; a cousin of Brother Lionel Light, and of Brother John Moore; and a brother-in-law of Brother Theodore John.



Brothers who pronounced their final vows in Sacred Heart Church, Notre Dame, Indiana, Aug. 16, 1956, are from left to right:

First row—Brothers Ronald M. Belanger, Detroit, Mich.; Robert A. Kelly, Lima, O.; Thomas R. Henning, Evansville, Ind.; Robert J. Siegel, Sheboygan, Wis.; Joseph R. Kinsman, Long Beach, Cal.; Paul F. Malich, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Aloysius J. Glombowski, Port Huron, Mich.; Joseph P. Heisler, Springfield, Ill.; William R.

Croutcher, Springfield, Ill.; and Maurice J. Healy, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Second row—Brothers William J. May, Denver, Colo.; Paul A. Enk, Chicago, Ill.; Bernard A. Klim, Emmett, Mich.; William J. Gaseor, Chicago, Ill.; Donald W. Eagleston, San Diego, Cal.; Andrew J. Trimble, Jersey City, N. J.; Victor H. McGee, New Orleans, La.; Edward P. Lee, Chicago, Ill.; Joseph R. Cain, Indianapolis, Ind.; and Myron J. Bachenheimer, Roswell, N. M.

Third row—Brothers Bernard G. Platte, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Joseph J. Chavla, Ludington, Mich.; Richard G. Reaume, Dearborn, Mich.; Robert H. Dierker, Columbus, O.; Leonard C. Siwierka, Elyria, O.; Albert C. Ciri, Woodside, N. Y.; Alfred W. Salz, Waterloo, Ia.; Raymond G. Papenfuss, Fond du Lac, Wis.; James F. Nilan, White Plains, N. Y.; Cletus M. Hammer, Monroe, Mich.; and Donald A. Ziliak, Evansville, Ind.

## Brothers Take Final Vows

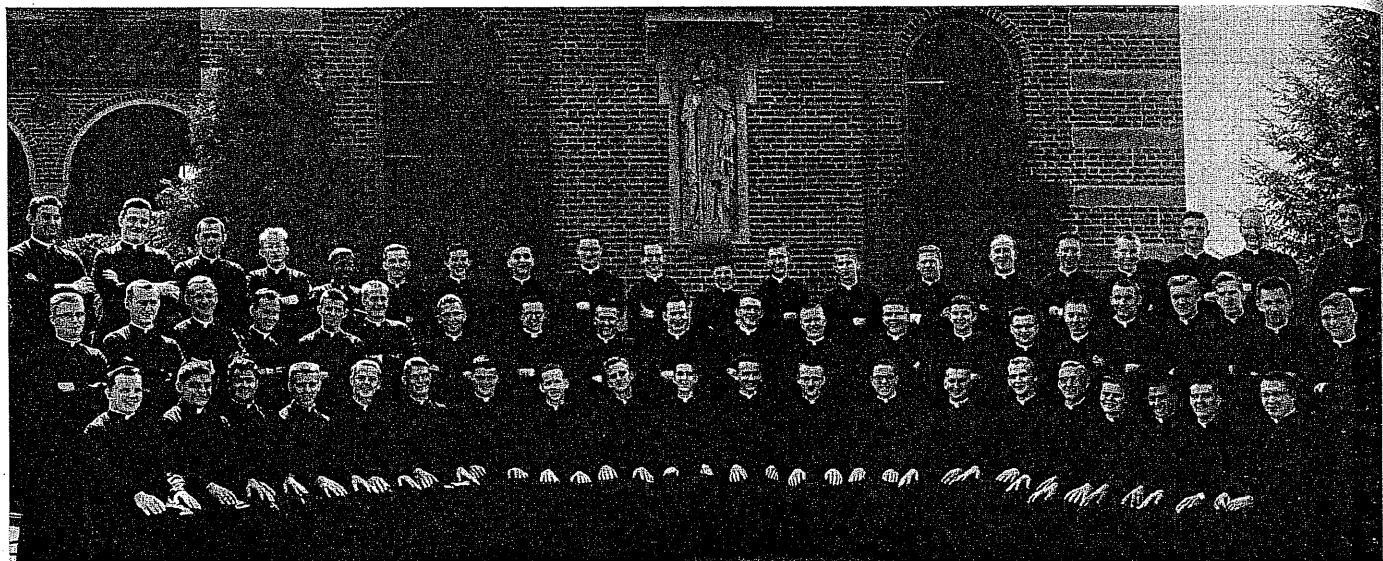
At 8:30 Thursday morning, August 16, 1956, thirty-one of our Brothers pronounced their final vows in impressive ceremonies in Sacred Heart Church on the campus of the University of Notre Dame. The Rev. Theodore Mehling, C.S.C., Provincial of the Indiana Prov-

ince of the Priests' Society, presided at the exercises and celebrated the Solemn Mass. The Rev. Paul B. Rankin, C.S.C., the superior of Moreau Seminary, preached the sermon.

The newly professed and their guests were honored by a banquet served by the student Brothers at Dujarie Hall. It gave visitors who had previously been to Notre Dame an opportunity to renew

acquaintances. Those from Michigan claimed the distinction of having the largest number in the class—seven Brothers; and the Californians of traveling the farthest.

Many of the Brothers spent a day or two at Notre Dame entertaining members of their families before going home with them for a couple of weeks vacation.



The young men who entered St. Joseph Novitiate, Rolling Prairie, Indiana, August 15, 1956, are from left to right:

First row—Brothers Robert John Koliniski, Chicago, Ill.; Paul Francis Rahaim, Quincy, Mass.; Chester Anthony Chrusciel, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Ralph Bernard Baird, Detroit, Mich.; James Edward Guswiler, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Kenneth Albert Lippincott, Menands, N. Y.; Hugh Joseph McCabe, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Michael Myron Hauser, Fond du Lac, Wis.; Joseph Lee Fellman, Ottumwa, Ia.; Thomas Joseph LaRose, St. Clair Shores, Mich.; Edward Charles Fogarty, University City, Mo.; John William Aubry, Ottawa, Ill.; Robert Vincent Rexroth, Littleton, Pa.; Donald Joseph Lavey, Syracuse, N. Y.; Anthony Louis Perowitz, Flint, Mich.; John Francis Nownes, Van Nuys, Cal.; Manuel Constanancio Romero, Long Beach, Cal.; Robert Theodore Herbst, Jersey City, N. J.; and

Joseph William Harris, Hartford, Conn.

Second row—Brothers Thomas Frederick McIntyre, North Freedom, Wis.; Thomas Michael Shaughnessy, Rocky River, O.; Robert James Pluta, Trenton, N. J.; Timothy Joseph Knightly, Somerville, Mass.; John Francis Birch, Attleboro, Mass.; Edward Philip Schenk, Chicago, Ill.; Joseph John Kumhera, Almena, Wis.; Francis Leo Leary, Fall River, Mass.; John Robert Skoda, Brownsville, Pa.; Robert William Anderson, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Peter Andrew Martin, Rochester, N. Y.; Francis Joseph Killoy, New Haven, Conn.; James Michael Taylor, Menands, N. Y.; Thomas Patrick Foley, Newport, R. I.; Robert Maurice Keyler, Indianapolis, Ind.; Harold Leslie Qualters, Mansfield, Mass.; Ronald Frederick Drahozal, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; William Richard Childs, Buffalo, N. Y.; Gerald Donald Meyer, Eau Claire, Wis.; Stanley Francis Ihnizki, Mexico, N. Y.; and George

Barclay Mitchell, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Third row—Brothers Vincent Merrick Creagh, Bakersfield, Cal.; James Patrick Reese, Cleveland, O.; Timothy Joseph Kelly, Worcester, Mass.; Richard Leo Eckhardt, Beaver Falls, Pa.; Frederick Joseph Williams, Charleston, S. C.; Richard Leo Kowalkowski, San Francisco, Cal.; Joseph Justin Miles, St. Francis, Ky.; Francis Paul Rotsaert, Cleveland, O.; Donald Patrick Hines, Somerville, Mass.; Everett James Brown, Flint, Mich.; Joseph Robert Zillinski, Perth Amboy, N. J.; Francis Joseph Ensign, Albany, N. Y.; Timothy Joseph Coyle, Lebanon, Pa.; Jerome Jeremiah Tangney, Deerfield, Wis.; Alexander Thomas Stroz, Philadelphia, Pa.; James Lionel Trudell, Detroit, Mich.; Walter Michael Kramar, New Haven, Conn.; James Owen Lynn, Long Beach, Cal.; Thomas Francis McCullough, Flagstaff, Ariz.; and Timothy Joseph O'Connell, Chicago, Ill.

## Sixty-two Receive Habit

On the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady, 62 young men received the habit as Brothers of Holy Cross with the Rev. Charles M. Carey, C.S.C., Prefect of Religion at the University of Notre Dame, presiding at the investiture. With the reception of the habit the 62 novices began the year of novitiate required of them by Church law for their initial formation and training in the religious life. The reception ceremony was followed by a High Mass during which Father Charles Lees, S.M., preached a moving sermon.

Present at the ceremonies as official witnesses were Brother Donatus Schmitz, Provincial of the Brothers of Holy Cross; Brother Bonaventure Foley, Assistant Provincial; Brother John Baptist Titzer, Vice-Provincial elect of the newly designated Southwest Vice-Province; and Brother Jude Costello, Religious Superior of Dacca. Present also were a number of Sisters and Brothers and over 250 relatives and friends of the newly invested novices. A buffet dinner was served to the guests on the beautiful novitiate grounds.

## Holy Father's Address

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the agenda of your Chapter. That is where it belongs.

True, if priests are ordained for men (*Hebr. 5, 1*), it is for the men of their own time; and there must consequently be a certain flexibility and adaptation in the formation given to candidates. But in no age is there ever any substitute for the fundamental requirements established by Christ: "if any man will come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me" (*Luc. 9, 23*). The appealing admonition of Paul to Timothy has a true ring in every generation: "be thou an example to the faithful in speech, in conduct, in charity, in faith, in chastity" (*1 Tim. 4, 12*). And discussion of the needed spiritual formation of the beginners in religious life will awaken, as it were, a renewal of fervour in all, that is so necessary to spiritual and religious men.

And now, beloved sons, We turn Our gaze to the Virgin Mother, Mary Queen of the Apostles. To her maternal care We entrust the prayers We offer for

God's blessings on the sessions and the resolutions of your General Chapter. Mother at once of God and men, she will delight to have her Son, Head of His Body (*Col. 1, 18*), shower upon you His members, all the precious gifts you most need, especially the gift of knowing Him, Who is love, and of living by Him (*1 Jo., 4, 9*).

As a token of Our own paternal affection it is a real joy for Us to impart to you, beloved sons, and to all members of the Congregation of Holy Cross, Our Apostolic Blessing.

*Bon mots* for those who teach: A teacher must be himself what he wants his pupils to be. . . . The best basis for self-confidence in the classroom is *Preparation*. . . . There is a *cross of reality* which the adolescent must suffer, as must everyone else. . . . Love the student; be willing to shed your blood for the soul of the one you least like—at the very moment he is most malicious. . . . There are no weapons against humility and love, no chinks in the armor.—From lectures of Brother Majella Hegarty.

—Say three Hail Marys a day for vocations