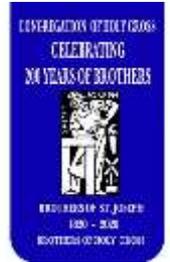


MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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November 11, 2020



Brother Wilbert (Clarence) Leveling, C.S.C. *February 12, 1917 – November 8, 2020*

**And I will still be carrying you when you are old.
Your hair will turn gray, and I will still carry you.
I made you, and I will carry you to safety. (Isaiah 46:4)**

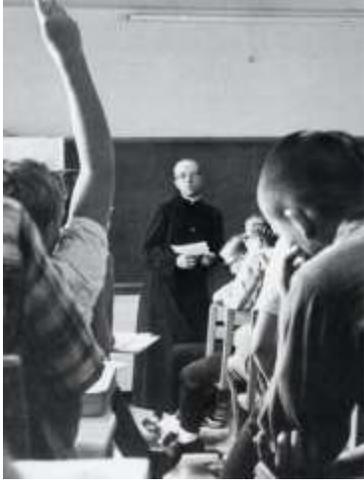


Brother Wilbert (Clarence) Leveling, C.S.C., age 103, died on November 8 at Dujarié House, in Notre Dame, Indiana. He was born in St. Paul, Iowa, on February 12, 1917, the son of Stephen and Clara (Moeller) Leveling. He attended St. James Elementary School in St. Paul, Iowa and when the family moved, he graduated from St. Joseph's High School in Fort Madison, Iowa, in 1935. He worked for the U.S. Post Office as a clerk and a mail carrier until 1939. Through the influence of Brother Theophane, he followed his desire to enter religious life and joined the Congregation of Holy Cross as a Brother.

Brother Wilbert entered Sacred Heart Juniorate in Watertown, Wisconsin in June 1939 and began his religious training two months later at St. Joseph's Novitiate in Rolling Prairie, Indiana, where he pronounced his first vows in August 1940. He began his studies at the University of Notre Dame and earned his bachelor of arts degree in 1944. With graduate studies at both Notre Dame and at Catholic University in Washington, D.C., he later earned a master of science degree in education in 1948.

He began his teaching career in 1944 at Cathedral High School in Indianapolis, and through his nearly 50 years of teaching, he taught at Vincentian Institute in Albany, New York, St. Joseph's High





School in South Bend, Indiana, Holy Trinity High School in Chicago, Illinois, and Holy Cross High School in River Grove, Illinois.

He was a fine history teacher and diligently updated his classes at the end of each school year. During several summers, he worked as a counselor with the Foreign Study League accompanying groups of students on European tours. A highlight of his life experiences though was the 13 summers he worked as an English-speaking tour guide at the Oratory of St. Joseph in Montreal. He commented on this experience: “Giving

guided tours to people from all over the world gave me the opportunity to make St. Joseph and Blessed [now Saint] Brother André better known to the pilgrims who had such deep faith and trust, even the sick and handicapped people made those summers very special.”

Brother Wilbert also served the Midwest Province for several years as the archivist and still volunteered for several hours a week, helping in the archives, once he retired. Always an avid reader, particularly of history, he was a remarkable conversationalist, very knowledgeable about classical music and a devoted bicyclist who would be seen each afternoon touring the Notre Dame campus on his bike well into his 90s. His enthusiasm to keep up-to-date with world and community events within a lively and energetic body were magnificent examples to all who knew him.



The Psalmist warns that “Seventy is the sum of our years, or eighty if we are strong, and most of them are fruitless toil.” Poignantly, Brother Wilbert’s 103 years of living is bookended between the Spanish Flu of 1917 and the Pandemic of 2020. Let us remember Brother Wilbert as a wonderful member of Holy Cross who was totally devoted to the Community and advancing the work of Father Dujarié, Brother Andre Mottais, and Blessed Moreau.

Visitation will be held on Friday, November 13, from 9:00 to 10:00 AM at Saint Joseph Chapel on the grounds of Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame. The Mass of Resurrection will follow at 10:00 with interment in St. Joseph’s Cemetery at Holy Cross Village. This will be a private funeral for Religious of Holy Cross only. Kaniewski Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

This Week

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

November 1 – 7 In this month a new boarding-school opened in Ruille, France, in 1828 under the direction of the great Brother Andre Mottais. The school remained under the Brothers' care for 49 years.

November 8 – 14 In 1824 on November 11 the Grand St. Joseph building opened in Ruille to be used for training new Brothers. In this week in 1835 Brother Andre Mottais wrote to Bishop Bouvier in Le Mans to suggest that the Brothers be transferred out of Father Dujarie's care because of Father Dujarie's age and health.

**Date of death for Brothers of Saint Joseph
who entered before the 1837 Fundamental Act of Union
and died in the Community.
(Age in italics. Rank after year of death.)**

Nov 6	<i>Placide (Urbain Alard) 38</i>	1850	351
Nov 13	<i>Leopold (Pierre-Nicholas Putiot) 59</i>	1864	241
Nov 21	<i>Simeon (Charles Bouvier) 23</i>	1830	49
Nov 21	<i>Hilaire (Pierre Beaury) 81</i>	1890	282
Nov 24	<i>Julien (Francois Corbin), 76</i>	1892	350

Brother Benjamin Rossi, C.S.C.



Wednesday afternoon, November 4, Columba Hall Brothers gathered in chapel for a reflection presented by Ben. His talk began with a comparison of his journey leading him to Holy Cross, especially joining the Midwest Province of Brothers, with the life lived by the early Saint Joseph Brothers. Many episodes in his life compared closely to the footsteps he followed that the original Saint Joseph Brothers experienced. He talked briefly of his novitiate time and the formation he lives now as a member of the community at Moreau Seminary.

He is busy presently with on-line learning and will continue later with in-house schooling as he pursues an advanced degree.

He looks forward to the time when he will be able to visit Brothers without masks and the restrictions put on us by the virus protections.



**Ground Torch
Solar Lights**

Coloma Cottage Lake Michigan

At the edge of the drop-off, end of the property, is a line of torch lights.



Brother Walter Gluhm, C.S.C.
Teacher



Walter continues his teaching career using *Zoom* and *Google Meet* with his 5th grade classes, a grade level he enjoys. He is an assistant teacher at Cathedral School of St. Mary - Austin, Texas and St. Joseph Grade School - South Bend, Indiana. His virtual classroom emanates out of Columba Hall.



Holy Cross Roads Writings for the Journey

Believing leads to Seeing

Dear Associates and Friends,

Thomas after Jesus's resurrection said that unless I see and touch His wounds I cannot believe. Jesus said to him later, "Blessed are those who have not seen but still believe."

We can come to prayer with a set of assumptions such as "I really cannot pray well unless I am in church in front of the Blessed Sacrament" or "God cannot be present to me in doing my daily tasks of living because these things are not holy." In this time of the pandemic, maybe God is calling us to a communication in unfamiliar ways. Maybe God is calling us to let go of preconceived assumptions and believe that our relationship with God can take new forms if we are open. When we let go of control, when we are open to receiving God in ways that God chooses, an amazing thing can happen. The resurrected Jesus may come to us in words of love and compassion. Our believing may give way to a new intimacy with a God who constantly wants to break into every aspect of our lives.

- Where do you experience God's presence?
- Is it becoming more difficult to pray during these days of pandemic?
- Are you open to praying throughout the day?

O God, help my belief in you lead to new ways of praying.

Brother Carl Sternberg, C.S.C.

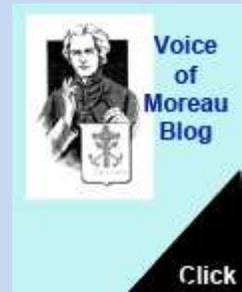


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From the *Voice of Moreau Website*

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

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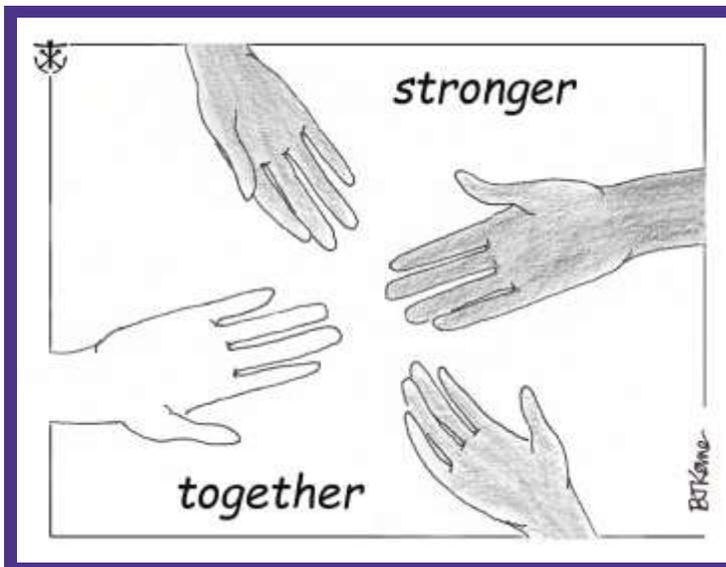
Reflection

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



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