

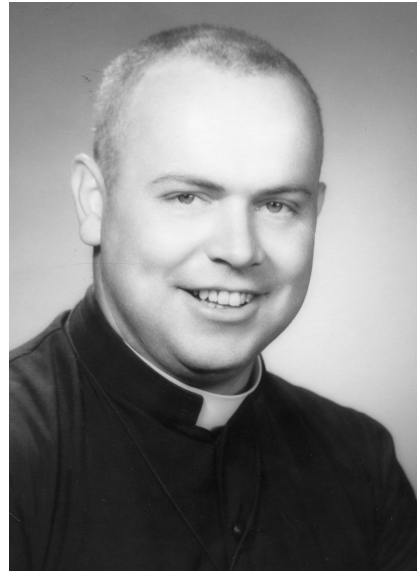
Legacy Project

April 21st

Brother Vincent Paul Will, C.S.C.

born: 8 January 1930

died: 21 April 1965



Vincent was born in Evansville, and went to Reitz Memorial High, where he was an outstanding athlete. He joined Holy Cross and went to Watertown in 1949 and the novitiate, where he made first vows in 1950. He studied at Notre Dame and earned a bachelor of science degree in 1954. His first teaching assignment was to Holy Trinity where he taught for 6 years and served as athletic director. He taught at St. Joseph's High in South Bend and at Boysville. He was assigned to St. Edward High in Lakewood in 1959, where he taught sciences and math for 5 years besides being the athletic director and occasionally coaching. He was tireless in his devotion to the students and athletic programs at St. Ed's. He was diagnosed with leukemia and instead of withdrawing for treatment at the community infirmary, he continued in his duties at St. Edward. It might have been his ability of enduring pain as an athlete, but he kept at his post and was an inspiration to his fellow teachers, students, and friends. When he died, the wake was held in the school gymnasium, where more than 2000 students, alumni, faculty, and his community attended to pay tribute. They all were inspired by his life of generosity and happy death.

*The sufferings of this life can never be compared to
the glory that is waiting for us. -- Romans 8:18*

*Character is not developed in ease and quiet, but only through
the experience of trial and suffering. -- Helen Keller*