

These men are among the dozens of individual Brothers who need your help today.



Brother Marius Wittner C.S.C.
Archbishop Hoban High School,
Akron, Ohio
1957-1967
Catholic Central High School,
Monroe, Michigan
1976-1989



Brother Barry Lambour, C.S.C.
Diocese of Cleveland Catholic
Schools, Cleveland, Ohio
23 years



Brother Francis Englert, C.S.C.
Gilmore Academy,
Gates Mill, Ohio
1951-1976



Brother Pedro Haering, C.S.C.
Cathedral High School,
Indianapolis, Indiana
1952-1959 & 1975-1980



BROTHERS OF HOLY CROSS

Living the mission of Jesus.

"You call them 'Brother' and so they are."

*The Most Reverend Anthony M. Pilla
Bishop, Diocese of Cleveland*

Dear Friend,

At a time in your life when you needed him, he was there for you. Will you return that favor today?

Although you may not have thanked him at the time, a Brother of Holy Cross made an important contribution to your life. He may have taught you Algebra, English, or Latin ... he may have disciplined you ... encouraged you to improve your grades ... helped you get into college ... or worked in the background as an administrator at your school. And until recently, most Brothers worked without pay.

Helping young people is simply what Brothers do.

Long ago he gave up the promise of a family of his own, and made vows of poverty, celibacy, and obedience to become a Brother to all. Your Brother.

From his commitment, you or someone you love received a better education, learned to serve others, found self-discipline to go further in life, and hopefully developed a deeper faith.

Try thanking him today and you won't see pride in his eyes—only gratitude. He is grateful to have served you because you provided him the means to serve God.

Brothers as they are remembered.



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Unfortunately, there aren't as many Brothers serving in our schools as there once were. The average age of the Brothers of Holy Cross is over 70 years old. Many of the Brothers are in their 80s or older.

Our older Brother's medical and nursing care costs have risen so high that it is impossible for the working Brothers to shoulder on their own. That's why I am writing to you for your help.

Brothers who are healthy and able to work never completely retire. They continue to minister to the young and old alike as long as possible. However, there are many who served in our schools, in missions, or in our children's home who have been forced to retire due to declining health—subject to the variety of problems common with men their age such as arthritis, diabetes, heart disease, or Alzheimer's.

These men depend on you their extended family to help support them now.

As you know the costs of health care and nursing home care in America are skyrocketing. Teachers' salaries, which most of the Brothers earn today to support their Congregation, have not kept pace.

We ask you, as a member of the Holy Cross Family, to give what you can.

These are men who gave everything to the schools, missions, and other institutions where they worked. Because most weren't paid, Social Security benefits are very limited.

Today they have only you, their Holy Cross family members to ask for support.

Please join me in honoring their lives of service and faith with a contribution.

Let's show how much we care for these men who cared so much for us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brother Robert E. Fillmore, C.S.C." The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

Br. Robert E. Fillmore, C.S.C.
Provincial Superior

PS: Your donation goes to help support the Brothers of Holy Cross, Midwest Province. We are asking primarily for funds to support the health-care and retirement needs of our elderly Brothers. Thank you for caring, we will remember you in our prayers.