

# MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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## Thank You From Dan Hils



**Brother Richard  
Foley**

I'm writing to say thank you to the Brothers of Holy Cross and to Brother Richard (Foley). During several summers in the early or mid-1970s I attended a summer camp put on by the Brothers of Holy Cross at Gilmour Academy in Cleveland, Ohio.

I was pre-high school age.

I enjoyed just about everything which was part of those camps---the archery, playing tennis, making pottery, drinking "bug juice" at the end of the day.

So my first thank you is to the Brothers of Holy Cross for putting on those summer camps.

My second thank you is to Brother Richard (Foley), who helped me learn how to swim. I don't remember his last name, but he was somewhat short and had a speech impediment. I think he may have been a bit bald.

My memory is vague because it's now over 40 years ago. I think I recall a bunch of us in the pool, with Brother Richard standing at the end on the pool deck, telling us "Stroke ... stroke... stroke. "

This was the start of learning to swim for me.

I later got my swimming merit badge in Boy Scouts, which was required on the way to Eagle Scout, which I became.

Today I'm 55 and I swim for exercise to maintain my health.

I'm guessing the Brother Richard whom I knew may not be alive any more.

But my second thank you is to him for helping me learn to swim, which has helped my health and given me a lot of hours of enjoyment.

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Note: Richard died, May 21, 1996.

Richard was 71.

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## “The Invitation”

This poem on ‘Fatherhood’ was written by Mr. Gerry Impelman. He is a former member of the Southwest Province. Gerald and Connie, his wife, have been long time board members of Holy Cross High School, San Antonio, Texas.

**Brother Roy Smith**

**Gerry Impelman, Fathers' Day, 2012**

He sent invitations to them all:  
Fat ones, skinny ones, short and tall,  
Brown ones, black ones, red, white and tan,  
All ages, religions and nations – woman and man.  
To those who never gave and to those with nothing to give,  
To those who cared not about life and to those who prayed daily to live.  
The invitations were written, or whispered, or shouted or thought.  
No exceptions were made, no exclusions were sought.  
The message is clear; all received the same,  
Every single person is, was, and will be called by name.

“The honor of your presence is requested by Me  
To live here in joyous love for all eternity.  
All arrangements are made, no expense has been spared.  
I wanted you to know that I really cared.  
For you, I, your Father, paid a high price: my Son on a tree.  
Transportation will be provided, but you must RSVP.”

**Saint Brother André**  
**Sara Koehler's - Cathedral High School**  
**Morning Prayer**

When you walk into Wal-Mart, there is always a person waiting just inside. You have probably heard jokes about the “Wal-Mart Greeter.” These men and women must not get much respect.

Well,, yesterday in Rome, in a ceremony at the Vatican, a man who held a job similar to a Wal-Mart greeter, was canonized as a saint by the Catholic Church.

You have seen his picture on the large poster hanging in the window at the front of the Student Life Center. His name was André Bessette. He was born in Montreal in 1845, and by the time he was 12, he was an orphan. For the next 13 years, he took odd jobs to survive, finally seeking a home and a way of life at the Holy Cross Congregation in Montreal.

He became Brother André,, but he had so few skills that the only job he was given was that of “porter.” That means that he answered the front door, day after day, for the rest of his life. And day after day, people came to the Holy Cross Brothers to ask for help -- physical, mental, spiritual help. Brother André, this simple, good, holy man, would pray for them and pray with them. And the word began to spread that sometimes people who were sick were miraculously healed after their time with Brother André. He became known as the “Miracle Worker of Montreal.” Soon there were lines of people asking his assistance, and even if they were not healed physically, they always felt they had experienced the love of God through him.

The world's way of judging the important people and the important jobs is so different than looking at things from a spiritual perspective. A lowly man who greeted people at the door is now officially known as “Saint Brother André..”

As we become more closely affiliated with the Holy Cross Order (Congregation), we can claim St. Brother André as one of our own.

Let us pray -

Loving God, who sees all your children as precious and equally important, help us look deeper than surface appearances and learn to respect everyone we meet today.  
Amen

## Bangladeshi Holy Cross Brothers for Immersion in Ghana

On Tuesday, May 28, 2019, four Holy Cross Brothers from the St. Joseph Province, Bangladesh, arrived in Ghana to do their cross-cultural experience as part of their preparation for final vows. They are: Bro Arpon Bless Purification, CSC; Bro Lipon Louis Chambugog, CSC; Bro Andrew Hitler Chiran, CSC; and Bro Saikot Shiprian Lindur, CSC.

On Wednesday, May 29, 2019, the Brothers in the Cape Coast area gathered at the District Centre, Brafoyaw, to welcome our Brothers from Bangladesh. The official welcome was done by Bro John Badu Affum, CSC, District Superior. The next couple of days were taken up with their orientation to Holy Cross in Ghana and the outline of the program.

The program will be in three phases. First, the Brothers are spending one month at the Institute of Continuing Formation (ICF), to undergo a program designed for them by the Institute. The Second Phase will be a week-long program organized at the District Centre to deal with CSC dimension and input on Final Vow Preparation. The Third and Final Phase will be a 30-day retreat to be held at the Claver, Jesuit Retreat Centre, Brafoyaw. Before Departure, our Brothers will have the opportunity to join the District in our Remembrance Day Celebration on August 10, 2019.



**Bro. Tom D. and Bro. Lipon**



**Bro. Andrew and Bro. Peter**

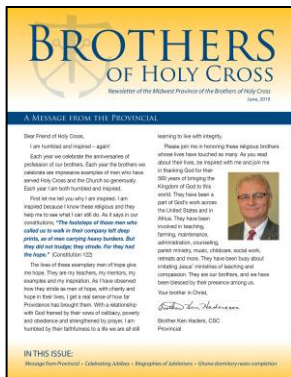


**Bros. Mike, Saiko, and Ken Kunditani**



**Bro. Arpon and Bro. Vincent**

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Is  
*INEVITABLE.*

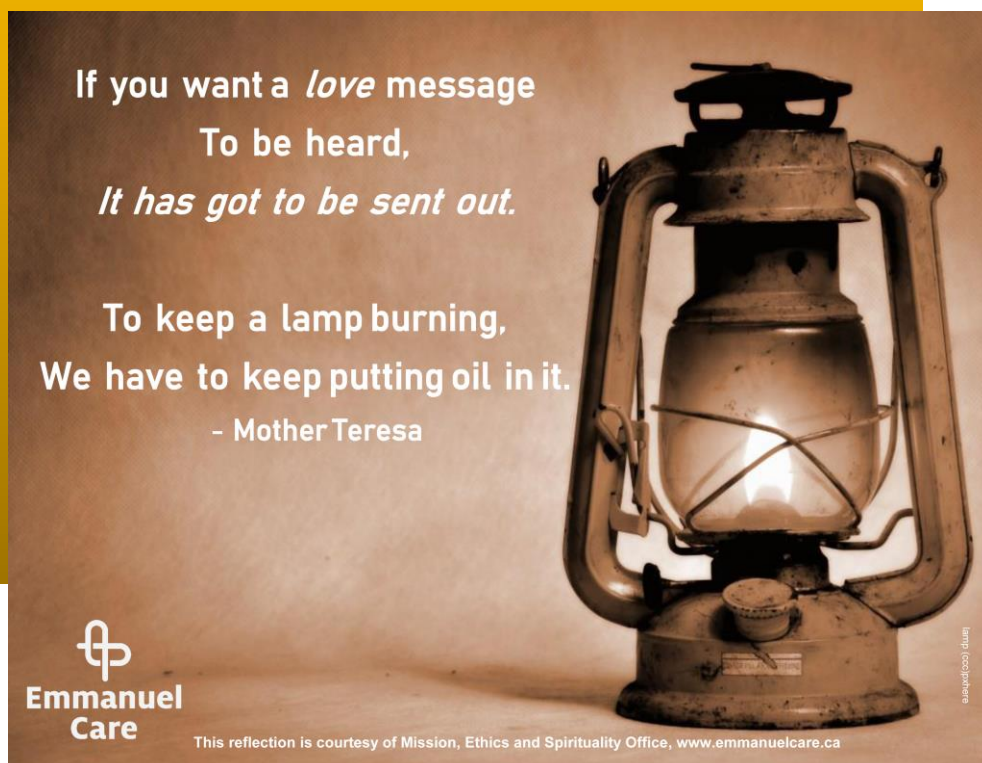
*GROWTH*  
Is  
*OPTIONAL.*

John C. Maxwell

  
**Emmanuel  
Care**

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If you want a *love* message  
To be heard,  
*It has got to be sent out.*

To keep a lamp burning,  
We have to keep putting oil in it.

- Mother Teresa

  
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Self-care is  
never a selfish act –  
it is simply  
good stewardship  
of the only gift I have,  
the gift I was put on  
earth to offer others.

-Parker Palmer

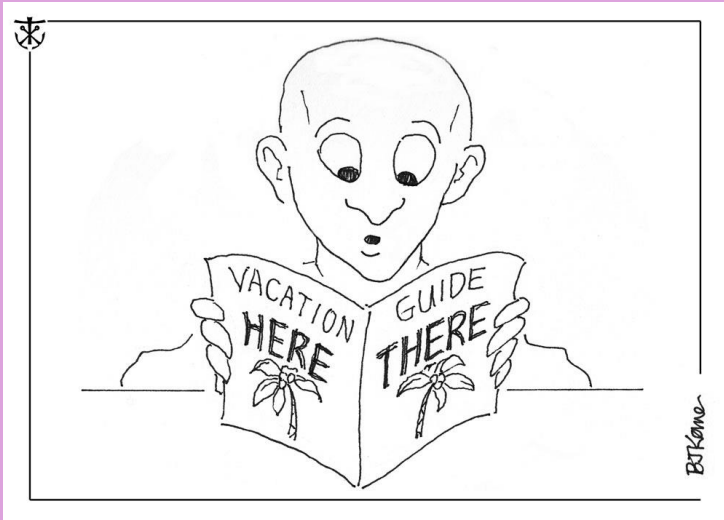


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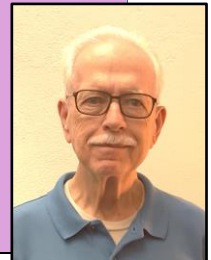


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