

# MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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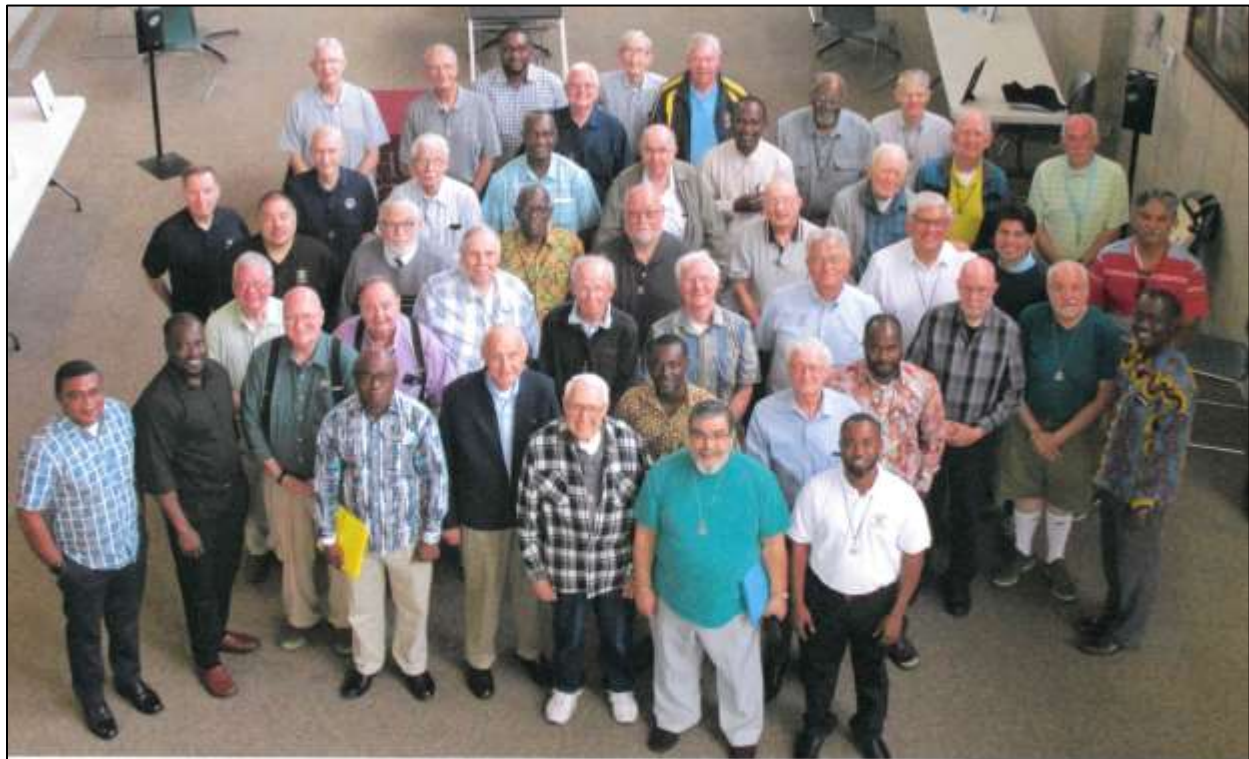
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## Weekly Spiritual Reflection from the Early Brothers of St. Joseph

With great sadness I heard about the death of my sister-in-law. I understand the pain that you are going to feel surely because of the little children she left behind. But no matter, you have to let go of the sadness because it's only what God wanted. Take it as coming from His all-powerful hand and bless it when it comes because it's a sign that the Savior still has plans to give us mercy. Be assured of it. (Brother Andre Mottais 5/29/1822)

### Members of the Midwest Province 2021 Provincial Chapter



1. Stephen Adams	5. Dennis Bednars	9. Joel Giannoni	13. James Spooner	17. Patrick Raab	24. Robert Levella	30. Lawrence Skitski	35. Roy Smith	39. Chester Freil	44. Francis Boytan
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				22. Artisan Gray	29. John Affari				
				23. Carlos Ferreira					

Do We Have Another Saint?  
 Brother Columba O'Neill, C.S.C.  
 (1848-1923)



**1875**

Brother Columba, the shoemaker, is assigned to St. Joseph Orphan Asylum, Lafayette, Indiana, along with Brother Raymond Guilfoyle, the teacher and superior. They had under their care about 50 boys. Father Bartholomew Hartman was the chaplain and superintendent of the new home. Sister Redemption, CSC was named the directress of the Sisters of the Holy Cross assigned to the Asylum along with five other sisters.



August 15, 1876  
 Brother Columba makes temporary vows.

**September 18, 1876**

The Brothers of Holy Cross took charge of St. Joseph Asylum.

**c.a. 1883**

“Frictions” have developed between the second superintendent, Father John Guending, and the Brothers and the Sisters. By 1895, the Brothers of Holy Cross are pulled from the ministry.

**Summer 1885**

Brother Columba is re-assigned to the University of Notre Dame. “For seven years he was stationed [at St. Joseph Asylum in Lafayette, IN]. He used Lourdes water on the sick boys and says that he had some cures. During the winter of his last year in Lafayette, he nursed a number of boys with the flu. He caught the flu and had such a severe case, he was returned to Notre Dame.” (“Brother Columba O’Neill, CSC” by Rev. John VandenBossche, CSC, 2011 p. 2). In 1920, Brother Columba contracts Spanish Influenza which results in his death from its complications in 1923.



## Shoreline on Lake Michigan

Latest view of erosion taking place at Coloma Cottage.



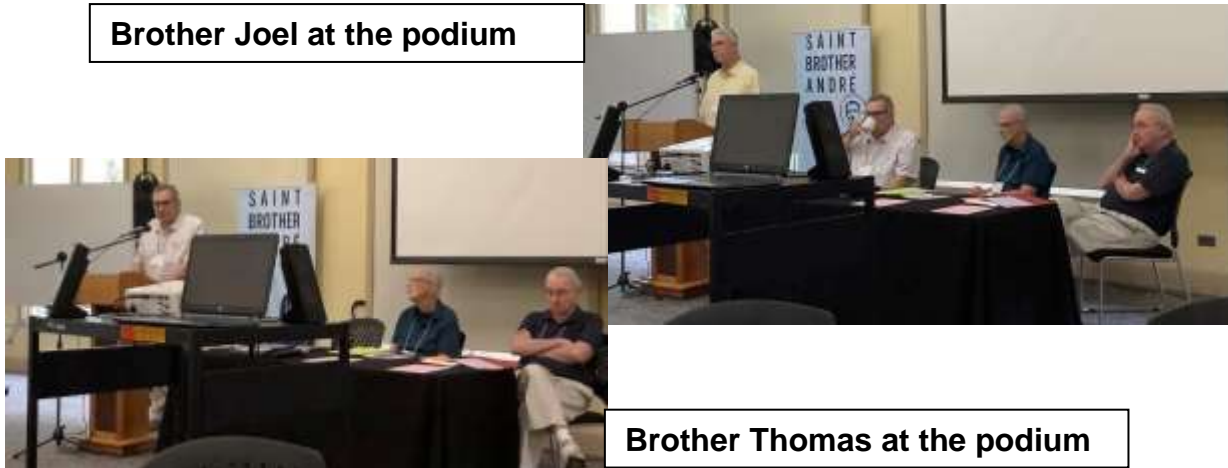
Pictures by Brother Chris Torrijas and his drone



## Moreau Province

Here are pictures from the Moreau Province – Chapter 2021 Beginnings.

Brother Joel at the podium



Brother Thomas at the podium

Photos sent in by Brother Michael Brickman



MWP Chapter 2021 – Random Pictures  
 Photos by Brother Kenneth Kane

Br Joseph Fox,  
 Barb Ziliak



Fr. David  
 Tyson



Br Daniel Kane  
 at the organ



**MINISTRY BREAKDOWN**

Table 3 shows the Ministry Break down of the Diocese

Ministry	Number of Members
Education	
Parish	
People	
Ministerial	
Development	
Full-time Clergy	10
Ministry	
Stations	10
Special Interest	
Stations - Past	
Other	
Total	20

**Age Distribution**

Table 4 - Age Distribution

Age	Number of Members
20 - 29	1
30 - 39	1
40 - 49	1
50 - 59	1
60 - 69	1
70 - 79	1
80+	1
Total	7





**Br. Ben Rossi**



**Br. Bob Livernois  
Mr. Edward Smith**



**Br John Affum**



**Br Chester Freel**



**More Photos to see in future publications of Midwest-Midweek.**

## Holy Cross Roads Writings for the Journey

### God's Will

Dear Associates and Friends,

What is the will of God? As we grow in the spiritual life, we come to know that if we are constantly concerned about what we want, this can be on the surface of our true desires. For example, what we are asking for can come from something we crave in seeing an ad on television. We know we are bombarded with advertisements every day. St. Ignatius tells us that our deepest desire is God's will. What does he mean? When we surrender our ego to our deepest self we are in touch with the God who created us and redeemed us. We are in touch with the God who wants to fulfill our deepest longing, which is to accomplish the purpose of our lives. We discover God's will when we pray: "If this be your will, then please answer this prayer." Then in prayer God's will be revealed to us as we become open to receive his unconditional love and purpose. It is at that point our conscience and our Christian faith become one. Christ says, "By their fruits you will know them." If we were to make a mistake, our God is always ready to forgive. God can bring good even out of our mistakes. We only have to look at some of the saints' lives to know this.

- Is doing God's will something you think about ?
- In your prayers of petition, do you pray to do God's will?
- When do you know that what you have decided is God's will for you?

**O God, help me be open to do your will when I make decisions for my life.**



**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, or a priest, with a weekly story on the blog. Check the following link below.



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**Brother  
Philip Smith**



**Brother  
Ben Rossi**



Reflection sent in by  
Brother Thomas Maddix, C.S.C.



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Sorry to be late  
posting this  
reflection  
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