

MIDWEST — MIDWEEK

Brothers of Holy Cross – Midwest Province - P.O. Box 460 – Notre Dame, Indiana 46556-0460

February 17, 2021



**February
Week 3**

Weekly Spiritual Reflections from the Early Brothers of St. Joseph

Begin then today to prepare yourself by saying your prayers more fervently than usual, examining the most serious of your old faults and the actual state of your conscience. Please be attentive so that none of your actions will condemn you before the just God. (Brother Andre Mottais 7/27/1826)

Lenten Lecture Series – 2021

2:00 PM in Geenen Hall

Personal meeting ID: 891 491 9777 for Zoom
Passcode: 54515

And, for those who live at Holy Cross Village, on TV at
Touchtown Channel 86/951

February 17

Brother Bob Livernois, CSC

Father James Dujarie - "Let us do good"

A Holy Cross brother for 48 years, Br. Bob has held numerous positions in schools for the past 47 years. Brother Bob and his dog Wilson moved into Riverside Place last October.



February 24
Papenfuss, CSC

Brother Raymond



“Living the Incarnation”

Br. Ray has been a Brother for 68 years. He spent 28 years in Ghana. During his religious life he has been a novice master, district superior, vocation director, and assistant provincial. He teaches Tai Chi and works with the handicapped.

March 3
CSC

Brother George Klawitter,



“What the Notre Dame Pioneer Brothers can Teach us about Sacrifice for Lent”

Brother George Klawitter, CSC, retired in 2012 from the English Literature Department at St. Edward’s University in Austin, Texas. A frequent contributor to the Holy Cross History Conference, he has published books on the early Holy Cross Brothers in France, Indiana, and Algeria.

March 10

Brother Philip Smith, CSC



“Brother Columba—Another Holy Cross Saint”

Brother Philip Smith, C.S.C., Ed. D. entered the Congregation in 1964. Over the last 55 years he has ministered in high schools, a residency program for boys, and at Holy Cross College as a teacher and administrator. He holds master

degrees in English, music and theology and an educational doctorate in Curriculum Design for Special School Populations. Retiring from formal education in 2019, he came to South Bend and now serves as the archivist for the Midwest Province of Brothers.

March 17
CSC

Brother Benjamin Rossi,



“The Logic of the Cross”

Brother Benjamin Rossi holds both a bachelor and master degree from the University of Notre Dame. After teaching religion for more than ten years at Archbishop Hoban High School in Akron, Ohio, Brother Ben joined the Congregation of Holy Cross making his first profession of vows on August 1, 2020. He currently participates in the formation program at Moreau House of Formation.

March 24
CSC

Brother Douglas Roach,



“In the midst of the turmoil, what is God calling us to be?”

Presently celebrating his 67th year in the Congregation of Holy Cross, Brother Doug Roach is the superior at Columba Hall, a Brothers’ retirement facility on the Notre Dame campus. Prior to Columba Hall, he was involved in high school teaching and administration; a mental health counselor in a state prison; administrator of a priest-less parish; and director in a Brothers’ formation program.

LOOKING BACK

LOOKING FORWARD

Saturday, April 24 2021 – Teleconference

**Celebrating the 200th Anniversary
of the Brothers of St. Joseph**
who later became the Brothers of Holy Cross.



**The Legacy of the Early
Brothers of St. Joseph**

What can the early Brothers teach those who want to carry on their dedication to Holy Cross today? What can we learn from their lifestyle? How were the two Holy Cross Brothers' missions to Algeria (1840 and 1844) different in their purpose and fulfillment? How did they differ from the 1841 mission to Indiana? How are those who carry on the Holy Cross tradition similar missionaries today?

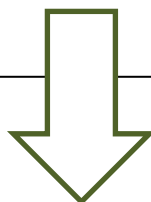
Brother George Klawitter, CSC, retired in 2012 from St. Edward's University where he taught for eighteen years and chaired the Department of English Literature. Brother George published a life of Brother Gatian (After Holy Cross, Only Notre Dame) and the lives of a dozen early Brothers (Early Men of Holy Cross). He has also translated and published two books of Holy Cross missionary letters (Adapted to the Lake and Holy Cross in Algeria). He lives at Columba Hall, Notre Dame.



**Looking Forward:
The Universal Christ**

Like the early Brothers of St. Joseph, what will it be like to be church in uncertain times? How do we prepare ourselves to become other Christs to meet and live in an unknown world?

Brother Raymond Papenfuss, CSC, has been a Holy Cross Brother for over 50 years. He taught at Holy Trinity High School before spending 28 years in Ghana. He taught at Holy Cross and St. Mary's Colleges and spent years as vocation director and then as assistant provincial. Over the years he has given a number of retreats and conferences and has done spiritual direction. He is thankful for his mentors: Thomas Merton, Thomas Keating, Ronald Rolheiser, and Richard Rohr through their books and lives.



LOVE YOU
RESPONSIBILITY
HOPE FAMILY
FAITH



FRIENDS STRENGTH
PERSEVERANCE STORY
ZEAL BEAUTIFUL

Conference Schedule

(Eastern Standard Time)

- 10:00 AM Opening Prayer
- 10:15 AM **The Legacy of the Early Brothers of St. Joseph**
Brother George Klawitter, CSC
- 11:15 AM Reading Essays and viewing videos
from Finalists / Presentation of Awards
- 12:00 PM Noon – Lunch
- 01:00 PM **Looking Forward: The Universal Christ**
Brother Raymond Papenfuss, CSC
- 02:00 PM Panel Discussion
- 02:30 PM Closing Prayer

Please register at our website:



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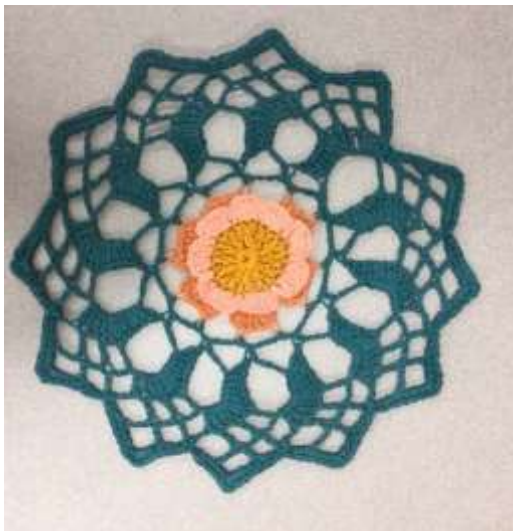


Holy Cross Associates
with zeal and hope to bring

Mandalas

by Brother Philip Smith, C.S.C.

I have been crocheting for nearly 65 years. The craft was taught to me by my grandfather who was an Irish knitter. A few years ago, I crocheted a series of 36 mandalas, the Asian version of the Mexican dreamcatcher. Mandalas can be used as a focused mental labyrinth for meditative prayer. I have included five of these complex and intricate designs for your enjoyment. Each provided me with an exercise in reading advanced level directions and incorporating a wide variety of colors.



Reference: [Mandala - Wikipedia](#)

To display your hobby, sent a short script and photos to:

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Holy Cross Roads

Writings for the Journey

Love of Christ

Dear Associates and Friends,

Do we have a personal relationship with Christ? Or to put it another way of looking at it, what is keeping us from having a personal relationship with Christ? Certainly, Christ wants to have a love relationship with us since that is the reason he came into this world. He shows us by example the loving relationship he had with his Father (God) and the relationship his Father had with him, "This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased."

Our relationship with Christ does two things. First, it shows that we are lovable, and we are capable of receiving and giving love. Second, it opens the door for us to be a conduit for Christ's love as we reach out to all the people in our sphere of influence. Think of the extent we have of giving love not only to our family and friends but also to those we could come in contact with through social media. Certainly, those who would sow hatred have discovered this. Christianity will last for 2,000 more years in some mysterious way because of the love of Christ that has been implanted in our hearts.

- How would you describe your relationship with Christ?
- Does that relationship help you to feel good about yourself?
- Do your relationships with others have a grounding in Christ's love for you?

O God, let your love for me spill over in all of my relationships

Brother Carl Sternberg, C.S.C.



For more reflections to grow spiritually
please visit our new blog
<https://weeklspiritualinsights.org/>

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.



Website: <http://www.voiceofmoreau.org/>



**Brother
Philip
Smith**



**Brother
Ben
Rossi**



Reflection

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



*Do not waste time bothering
whether you "love" your neighbour;
Act as if you did.*
C.S. Lewis

Emmanuel Care....With you on your journey toward health, healing and a better quality of life.

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Brother
James
Kane,
CSC



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