

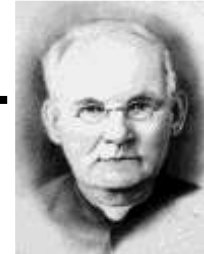
MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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



Working through the handwritten letters of Brother Columba to Father Giglinger is no easy task. Although Brother Columba is far more literate than St. André Bessette, CSC, his grammar and lack of punctuation, his “shorthand,” his “detached thought-clusters,” his Irish slang and his often-indecipherable handwriting do not allow for a quick reading. Included here is a link to the second handwritten letter written by Columba in response to a Giglinger-letter. Also provided is a transcription of that letter with a set of bullet points about interesting, perhaps significant content.

November 16, 1912

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- Second letter from Brother Columba to Father George Giglinger.
 - Mentions cures for asthma and a woman from Indiana Harbor who writes “what a wonderful cure [you] worked in me.”
 - Columba accepts no money for cures and “never put a line in the paper.”
 - “We have a Brother in Canada [St. André Bessette] working miracles true [through?] St. Joseph they are friends [André and St. Joseph] Providence [sic] last year they had \$65,000 dollars.”
 - “Rev. Morressey [sic], Provincial told me they took in a thousand dollars a week they sell everything at times. I don’t have a cent I send the money back. I sent 2 dollars back the other day.”
 - “I have a girl in crutches in Detroit I told to send these crutches – don’t laugh”

New Notre Dame Parking Lot

A new ND parking lot is being constructed just a few yards East of Columba Hall on the West side of Holy Cross Drive. It is located on the Columba Hall side of the road in front of the Grotto.



Midwest Holy Cross Associates

O God, we thank you for bringing us together once again to celebrate our years of Association. It has not been easy during this time of isolation from our sisters and brothers, yet you have not abandoned us and will be with us, even more, in the time that is ahead. But help us to savor this moment and the food that has been prepared for us.

Bless us, O Lord and these thy gifts which we are about to receive through thy bounty, through Christ, our Lord. Amen

A small social was held on the Columba Hall patio for area Holy Cross Associates. Andre Place catered the light meal in a



box. Ronnie began the meal with a prayer and ended it with a pineapple and angel food cake – a real delight. It was a pleasant evening for the small group who were able to attend.





Holy Cross Roads Writings for the Journey

Receiving Love

Dear Associates and Friends,

Most of what we hear as Christians is how necessary love is in understanding what Christ was teaching. “Love God... and your neighbor as yourself.” But what is sometimes overlooked is the act of receiving love. As the saying goes, “You cannot give what you do not have.”

Prayer for Jesus was all about receiving love from his Father. It was out of that love that he could love others unconditionally. When we pray, is the most important thing on our minds the receiving of God’s love? How necessary is it for God to extend that love to the hurt or abandoned inner child that may still exist within us?

In order to pray in this way, we need to provide a space beyond our thoughts and worries to receive God’s love. It is in this experience that we are able to move out into the world the way Jesus was able to. Receiving God’s love, we will have much to share.

- Are your days so full that there seems to be little time to pray?
- Will you be able to ask God for the time to experience God’s unconditional love?
- When you do take time to receive God’s love, what are the results?

O God, may prayer include a time to receive your love for me.



Brother Carl Sternberg, C.S.C.

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



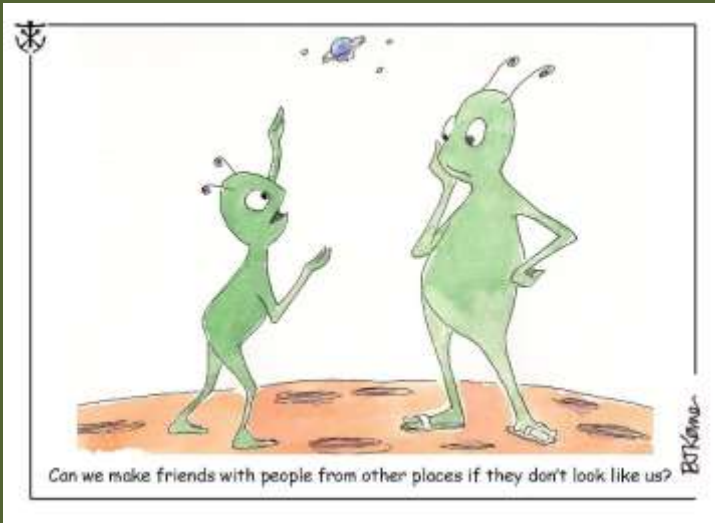
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