

MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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June
Week 2 & 3

Weekly Spiritual Reflection from the Early Brothers of St. Joseph

Week 2 You know that we must never lose confidence in God, even when he causes us to endure rigorous tests. (Brother Andre Mottais 7/20/1831)

Week 3 You don't doubt how much I want you to be happy and holy now and in the next life. It's not always those who leave their homeland voluntarily who merit the most for eternity, but more likely he who, like you, desire only the will of God and receive with a Christian indifference what the Lord sends him. God tests only his own. He lets evil people go where their lusts lead them. (Brother Hilarion Ferton 2/9/1848)



Photo by Brother Michael Brickman, CSC

At the Close
of the 2021
Chapter

Delegates who
formed the
Midwest
Province Chapter
of 2021

The venue was
the Atrium of
Holy Cross
College, Notre
Dame, Indiana.



Brother Columba O'Neil, the hailed healer and miracle man of Notre Dame.

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

Presented at The 2021 Holy Cross History Conference University of Notre Dame by Brother Philip R. Smith, C.S.C., Ed. D. Archivist: Midwest Province On Saturday, April 24, 2021

Click on the image at left or on the link below to read the presentation:

<https://holycrosshistory.com/hcha/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/2021-6.pdf>

2023 WILL BE THE "YEAR OF BROTHER COLUMBA"
THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS DEATH



'Marius' the therapy dog

Article from the *Detroit Catholic*
sent in by Brother Robert Livernois:

Click link below to read the article:

[Power of the pup: How 'Marius' the therapy dog is helping students smile - Detroit Catholic: Read Catholic News & Stories](#)



Sarasota – An Astounding Event

Brothers in Florida celebrate the 100th birthday of Mercedes.



Mercedes, for many years a “house-mother” for the brothers in Florida, has recently moved into a care facility.

Cream Puffs



At the suggestion of Brothers Carl Sternberg and George Klawitter, Brother Michael Brickman created one of his favorite recipes to introduce our Ghanaian Brothers to French Cuisine. The chapter delegates will have returned home at the time of publication of the Midwest-Midweek.

George (in front) is helping Michael with the finishing touches on the cream puffs. Bon Appétit!

Drumming and Singing at Mass



Paul, Stephen, Vincent, and Aristide drum and sing at Mass for the brothers at Columba Hall.

Double Drum – Symbol for celebration

Farewell (Thanking You - Thanking Me)



Tuesday following morning prayer, Brother Douglas gave a farewell to our Ghanaian Brothers as they prepare to depart back to home. Brother John Affum in turn thanked all of us at Columba for our hospitality. It was a wonderful time spent together, an exciting moment as we all look to our evolving futures in Holy Cross.



Holy Cross Roads Writings for the Journey

It is All Going Somewhere.

Dear Associates and Friends,

One of the characteristics of growing spiritually is the acceptance that all of our knowing is partial. None of us have the complete answer to any issue or problem. I love the story of the three blind persons and an elephant. One feels the elephant's trunk and says the elephant is a hose. One feels the elephant's leg and says the elephant is a tree. The last blind person feels the elephant's side and says the elephant is a wall. Each person had only a partial understanding of the elephant and yet claimed to have the complete answer.

Most scientists recognize the fact that there is always something more to learn about the part of reality that they are examining. When we say that we want to grow spiritually, we need to say that there is always more that God wants to show us and teach us and that this could have great consequences for our view of things and how we live our lives. It is part of being human with humility to accept the fact that we do not know completely what God has in store for us and for our world. By faith we do know that our God in Christ will always be with us with whatever lies ahead. We are on the move. Let's enjoy the ride!

- What does "being more Christ like" mean to you?
- How have you grown in being more Christ like?
- In what areas is Christ calling you to grow?

O God, help me with your grace to become more like Christ.



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.



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



**Brother
Philip Smith**



**Brother
Ben Rossi**

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



Walk gently on the earth and do each other no harm.

Richard Wagamese

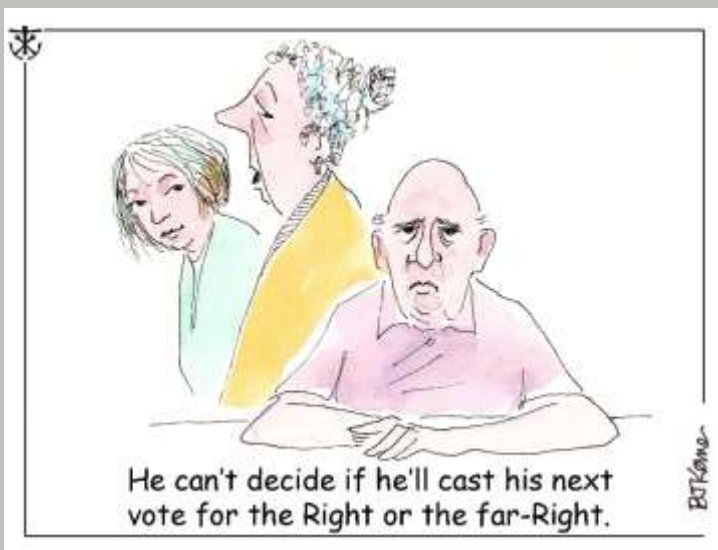
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