

MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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Daniel Speaks for all of Us Holy Cross, Family, and Friends

To Jubilarians of our recent celebration:

60-year Jubilarians

James Bluma
Tom Cunningham
Ronald Drahozal
Charles Drevon
Walter Gluhm
Richard Johnson
James Leik
John May
Jerome Meyer
Donald Schapker
John Schuszler



50-year Jubilarian

Thomas Henning

40-year Jubilarian

Bertrand Nee Wayoe

Congratulations, prayers and good wishes on this historic occasion,
and may you be blessed with countless years to come!

-Dan Kane, csc

Note: Chapter pictures will follow in future Midwest-Midweek Publications.

Robyn Westler, RN,
Province Nurse



Robyn has been the Midwest Province Nurse for the past two years. She has retired.

On the last day of Chapter, Br. Joe McTaggart, csc, on behalf of the Province and Lew Brazil csc, Director of Health Care and Aging, delivered this proclamation of appreciation for Robyn Westler, R.N., Province Nurse.

Appreciation and Commendation

for

Robyn Westler, R.N.

Province Nurse

from

The Brothers of Holy Cross / Province Chapter June 2018

African Wisdom warns us: “It takes a Village to Raise a Child.” And it certainly takes more than a doctor and medication to treat an illness and keep one’s health.

Woven into our Province membership and life these last two-plus years, and especially into our Columba Hall Community, has been a trusted professional, a powerfully strong, gently nurturing, and selfless woman, Robyn Westler, our Province Nurse.

From our earliest conception of “Wellness” through and into the providing of primary care, medical oversight, and overall assistance, you have been there for us through it all, Robyn, even to the pastorally sensitive point of nurturing and nursing us “home to Jesus” as you so gently and tenderly put it.

Whether diagnosing, organizing an effective and efficient office, confronting non-compliance, cajoling us to watch our health--what to eat, watch our weight, do our exercise, challenging or pushing doctors to address our health-care needs, or tenderly and warmly serving us in all our medical ups and downs, you did all this while befriending our Brothers in the process. You brought your “get-it-done” attitude to your task. Your superior nursing skills and especially your love and affection for our

men, your men, (your Brothers of Holy Cross) have formed and established the standards and protocols of medical care not only for Columba Hall, our Brothers in the Village, but the entire Province and our returning missionaries.

We are so much the richer for it. You have set the benchmark for us. You have modeled what is needed for any future nursing care and support of our members in the days ahead.

On our part, we have also learned to listen, trust, and eventually share all that is going on with us. And, through it all we've learned and become most appreciative and compliant in trusting your promotion and advocacy of our health and wellbeing.

We are most grateful, Robyn, for your personal caring, your mentoring of our Certified Nursing Assistants, your hours in our direct care, and often-called-upon advice and decision making in the wee-hours of those many nights while on call. We will miss your consistent warm welcome, your oversight, your pets for our therapy, your friendship, and mostly the love of your profession and your love for each one of us.

Bon Voyage. Au revoir. Via con Dios. God-speed in your well-deserved future of maybe slowing down, and even a bit more time with Max, your faithful spouse, your children and grand-children, and especially your dogs and cats and all the other critters you rescue from the cold and sometimes cruel world of animals.

Robyn, our blessings and prayers, our gratitude and appreciation are with you while we look forward to your one day a week remaining on the job—still continuing to be there for us in the days ahead.

And, may they be many.



(For the Province and Lew Brazil, Director of Health Care and Aging...from Joe McTaggart.)



**Robyn Westler, RN
Brother Lewis Brazil
Brother Joseph McTaggart**



**Brother Kenneth
Haders**



Brother Chester Freel



Saint Brother Andre Plaza Blessed

NOTRE DAME, IN (June 25, 2018) On the day of Summer Solstice – the longest day of the year -- the rain held off long enough for Holy Cross Village, the Brothers of Holy Cross, and Holy Cross College to come together for a touching blessing of Saint Brother Andre Plaza.



Approximately 50 constituents from the three Holy Cross entities joined as one to remember, celebrate, and witness the blessing of the Plaza, the inscribed benches, and the newly laid labyrinth along the Path to Life, and finally, the Book of

Remembrance, situated at the base of St. Joseph Chapel, under the watchful eye of St. Joseph and his earthly son, Jesus.

Largely planned and carried out with the love and drive of Village resident, Montel Menting, the event began with a blessing from Father Ken Grabner, C.S.C. Attendees sang in unison, *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*, before residents and Brothers of Holy Cross took turns reading scripture from each of the nine benches along the pathway, ending with John 11:25, *I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live.*

The Book of Remembrance was introduced by Holy Cross College Director of Development, JudeAnne Hastings. “This book is collaboration among the Holy Cross Brothers, Holy Cross Village, and Holy Cross College and memorializes all of those that we have loved and are now gone,” said Hastings. “Allowing those still grieving a quiet place to find peace, it also allows us to honor, in a meaningful way, those who are alive and have deeply impacted our lives.” She finished by sharing, “This book holds special meaning for me, as I am able to memorialize my husband and always have a place of peace to visit with him.”

Father Tim O’Connor, C.S.C. blessed the book, followed by a moving moment when Sr. Marilyn Zugish, C.S.C. read the names currently inscribed within the



volume. Intermittently, between the readings of names, the poignant ringing of a gong was heard.

Br. Paul Kelley gave prayer to St. Joseph, the Patron Saint of the Brothers before a closing song, reminding those singing out to “Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.” Br. Joe Fox closed the ceremony with a final tribute to

those making the event possible, to those in attendance, to those currently recorded in the book, and to those inspired by the spirituality of the Holy Cross Community. “Originally, when planning this village, some said others would not reside...because of the spirituality,” stated Br. Joseph. “Today, we look around and many are here, delighted with their surroundings...because of the spirituality.” On this day, this blessed occasion of more daylight than any other day of the year, as the clouds moved in, the sun may not have been shining down, but the love and blessings of The Son glimmered everywhere.

Dujarie Ground Breaking



Monday, June 18th was ground breaking for Dujarie House's new additions.

At left:

Tom Veldman – Chairman of the board

David Null – CEO

Sr. Marilyn Zugist, CSC

Brother Robert Lavelle, CSC

Linda Lewis



Therapy Room





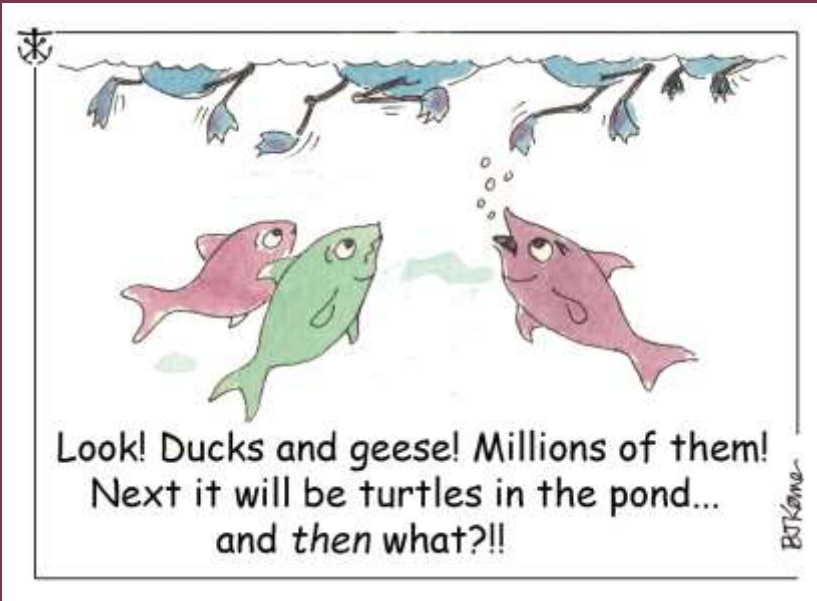
Entrance



**Dining
Room**

Reflection





Cartoon
by
Brother
James
Kane,
CSC

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