

# MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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## Our Poets, Past and Present

### Touring our Milky Way Galaxy

In prayer my mind so often does wander,  
sometimes near at hand,  
others way out yonder.  
I pray the Lord then go with me,  
whether in space, at sea or to  
a distant land.

While a mere microscopic dot I might be,  
touring our Milky Way  
with the Lord is no problem you see.  
With no ticket to buy,  
I can travel throughout our galaxy.

I know without the Lord I'd surely be lost.  
But going from our earth in Orion's leg  
to the North Star, Polaris, in Sagittarius,  
with the Lord is a cinch, no worry the cost.

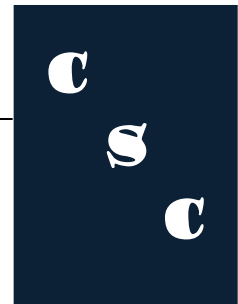


This is a family trip I'm on you see—  
With Jesus, Mary, and Joseph aboard,  
I'm in company with the Holy Family!  
So fortunate I am to travel  
with them in prayer,  
throughout our galaxy,  
safely and free of fear.

Being with Jesus, Mary, and Joseph  
gives me pleasure best left unspoken,  
friendships forever unbroken.

That's why in chapel at times  
I might appear sleeping,  
but instead, I may be circling Polaris  
star like a rocket,  
rosary in hand and a Saint Joseph  
medal in my pocket.

—Brother Jerome Kroetsch



## Spending Time Together

Associates enjoyed joining Columba Hall members in celebrating Mass and gathering for dinner. Brother Carl Sternberg held this event, August 23. Fr. Bill Blum was celebrant at Mass while Gail led her kitchen staff in creating a fine meal.



### Midwest Holy Cross Associate's Dinner:



Guess who's  
finger print?  
Ck all pics for  
the answer.





## Death of a Former Brother

**Jerome Chandler Obituary (1932 - 2022) - Mount Vernon, WA - Skagit Valley Herald:**

Many brothers, especially older members from Ghana, will remember him. His obituary may be found at the link below:

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/skagitvalleyherald/name/jerome-chandler-obituary?id=36229895>



### Sunday Mass Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

A friend, Carlann Evans, joined Brother Daniel Kane in providing our liturgical music for Mass at Columba Hall - Carlann on the violin and Dan on the piano.





# Brother Lew Brazil Brings Another Concert 29 August 2022



**Carlann Evans**

**Click  
for  
Violin Fun**



**Brother  
Daniel Kane**

**Click  
for  
Beautiful  
Music**



**McKayla Colins**



**Rick Dzuibinski**



**Marian Emary**



**Brother Lew  
Brazil**



**Brother John  
McMuldren**



**Allan Evens**



**Tim McBride**

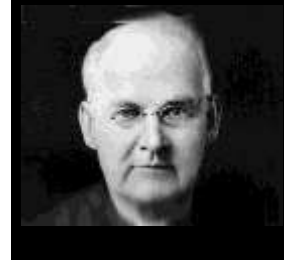


**Note: Carlann participated in the band programs at St Edward High School while attending Magnificat High in Westlake, OH. Carlann's relationship was with the two band directors at St Ed's, Brothers Ken & Lew.**

Brother Columba O'Neill, C.S.C.  
Servant of God

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## Holy Cross Roads Writings for the Journey

### Not Overnight

In our instant culture we want things to happen yesterday. When we discover the love that God has for us, we want it to move mountains so that our faults will melt away, that our life will find a definite course, and that we will discover the beauty and meaning of it all. Guess what! These things are not going to happen overnight. Everything that is planted in the garden takes time to grow. God wants to teach us patience and sometimes to live by blind faith. God teaches us by allowing us to stumble so we can be shown God's love as God picks us up again. Can we be content to make some progress in the days that we have been given? Maybe that progress will consist of recognizing God's presence in the ordinary situations we face in life.

Jesus had to be understanding with his apostles and disciples. "Have you been with me so long and still have not grasped what the kingdom of God is all about?" But eventually they did believe, and with the wisdom and grace of the Holy Spirit were willing to give up their lives as a witness to their belief. Our spiritual growth does not depend only on our efforts. As plants need good soil, sun, and rain, our advancement in the spiritual life needs the benefit of our receptivity to God's love and grace. We also become aware of the growth taking place in the communities in which we live.

- How is God inviting you to grow spiritually?
- As you look back on your life, where have been the stepping stones of your spiritual growth?
- Does this apply to you: "God writes with crooked lines."

**O God, help me to respond to your invitation to grow closer to you.**

**Brother Carl Sternberg, C.S.C.**

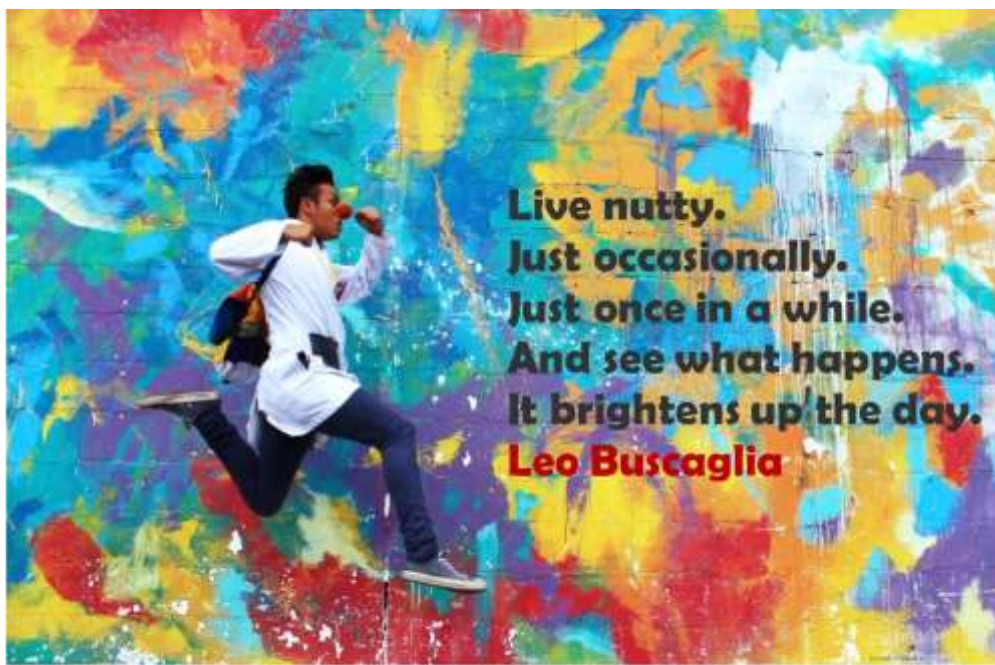


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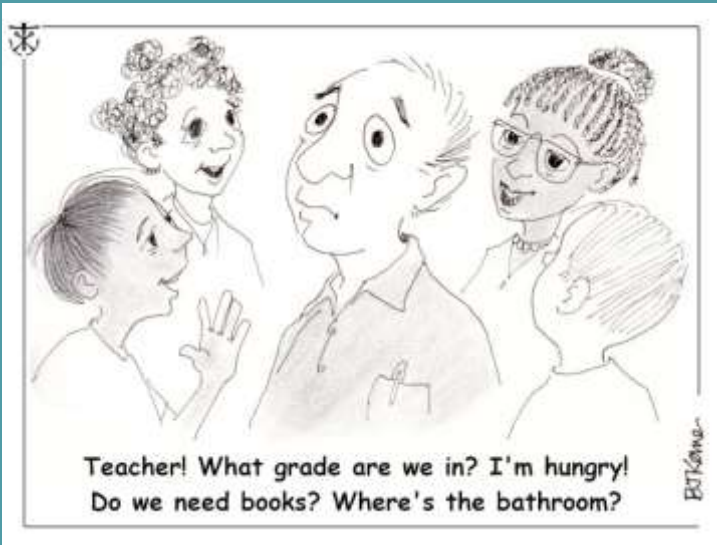
Reflection  
Sent in by Brother Thomas Maddix, C.S.C.



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