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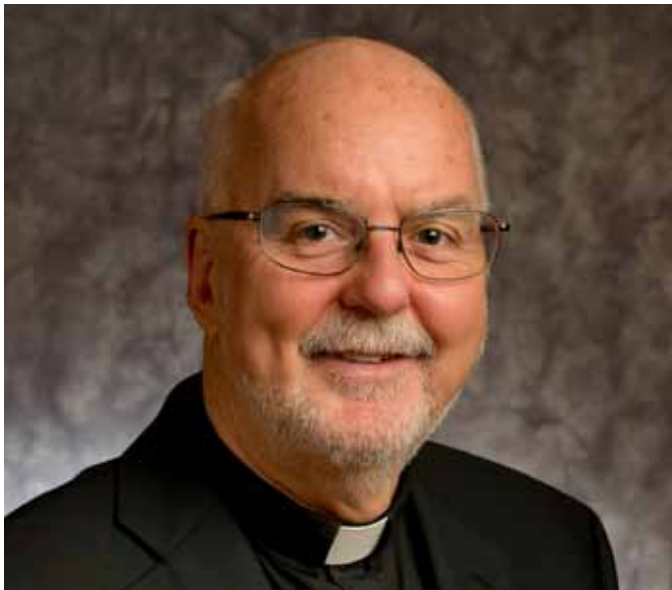
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(Top) Delegates to the U.S. Province Chapter gather at the University of Portland in June. (Left) Fr. Thomas O'Hara, C.S.C., presided and preached at the Our Lady of Sorrows Mass on Sept. 15. (Photo by Br. Charles McBride). (Above) Children participate in folkloric dancing at the 25th anniversary celebration of Holy Cross in México.

Fr. O'Hara Elected Provincial Superior



Rev. Thomas J. O'Hara, C.S.C. was elected Provincial Superior of the United States Province of Priests and Brothers during the Chapter meeting in Portland, Ore., in June.

Fr. O'Hara was born on March 16, 1949, in Hazleton, Pa. He attended Moreau Seminary on the campus of the University of Notre Dame from 1973 to 1975. He professed First Vows on Aug. 3, 1974, and Final Vows on Sept. 3, 1977. He was ordained to the diaconate on Jan. 15, 1978, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish in Brooklyn, N.Y., and was ordained to the priesthood on June 10, 1978.

A 1971 graduate of King's College with a bachelor's in political science, Fr. O'Hara received his master's in theology from Notre Dame in 1977 and his doctorate in political science from The American University in Washington, D.C., in 1988.

Fr. O'Hara's first teaching assignment in 1975 was as professor of English at Notre Dame College in Dhaka, Bangladesh, where he was assisting in relief work with Mother Teresa's Missionary Sisters of Charity. He has worked in parish ministry in Brooklyn, N.Y., and served in the Holy Cross missions in Bangladesh and Uganda.

He was a Resident Assistant at Notre Dame from 1976 to 1977; Associate Pastor at our Lady of Good Counsel from 1977 to 1982; Chaplain at Holy Cross Hospital, Silver Spring, Md.; and Chaplain to the Holy Cross brothers at Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville, Md., from 1982 to 1984, where he served on the high school's board of directors. He was an Adjunct Professor teaching a

religion and politics course at The American University (1987) and a priest-in-residence at St. Ann Parish, Washington, D.C., from 1984 to 1988.

Fr. O'Hara joined the faculty of King's in 1988 as Assistant Professor of government and politics and became the eighth President of his alma mater in 1999. He was the first King's alumnus to be named President, as well as its second-longest serving President. He left the post in 2011.

He also served as Professor of political science at the Philosophical Centre of Jinja in Uganda from 1994 until he returned to King's in 1996 as a professor and Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Among his many awards, Fr. O'Hara was presented an honorary degree by The University of Scranton (Pa.) in 2008 and the University of Portland (Ore.) in 2012. He also was given the Exemplar Award from the University of Notre Dame Alumni Association, the New York State Award for Dedication to Youth (1982) and the King's College All College Award for Faculty (1992) and Administrators (1998).

Fr. O'Hara serves on the boards of regents and trustees at all of the Province's colleges and universities, as well as that of St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas, a Moreau Province apostolate.

Religious Celebrate Our Lady of Sorrows in South Bend

Religious in the South Bend, Ind., area gathered to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on Sept. 15. She is the patroness of the Holy Cross Family of priests, brothers and sisters. Fr. O'Hara presided and preached at Mass at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on the campus of the University of Notre Dame. After Mass, Religious gathered for a Community dinner at Moreau Seminary.



Br. Richard Johnson, C.S.C., (MW) reads during the Our Lady of Sorrows Mass.

The Spirit of Holy Cross

The U.S. Province named nine recipients for the 2012 Spirit of Holy Cross Award. The award is given annually to lay collaborators in conjunction with the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows, the Congregation's special patroness. The award acknowledges the critical importance lay collaborators play in living out the vision and mission of Holy Cross founder, Blessed Basil Moreau, to make God known, loved, and served through our education, parish and mission settings around the world.

The nine 2012 recipients are:

- **Barb Carlson** - Retired Office Manager/Assistant to the Director, U.S. Province Office of Vocations, Notre Dame, Ind.; Parishioner, St. Joseph Parish, South Bend, Ind.
- **Larry Cunningham** - Theology Professor, University of Notre Dame (Ind.)
- **Maureen Briare** - Staff, University of Portland (Ore.) and Volunteer, Holy Cross Court
- **Elaine Zavada** - Retired Assistant to the President, King's College, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
- **Jessica Baladrán** - Parishioner and Technology and Grants Administrator, St. Ignatius Martyr Parish, Austin, Texas
- **Jim and Terry Orcutt** - Staff, Holy Cross Retreat House, Easton, Mass.; founders, My Brother's Keeper
- **Froilán Enrique Gallegos Bernal** - Staff and Parishioner, El Señor de la Esperanza, Lima, Perú
- **Ramona Reyna Rangel** - Executive Secretary/Parish Bookkeeper, Parroquia Nuestra Madre Santísima de La Luz, Guadalupe, Nuevo Leon, México

Each will be recognized by their communities. Some will be honored during the month of January as part of the celebration of Blessed Basil Moreau's life. He died on Jan. 20, 1873.



Kids Bike, Walk to Holy Redeemer with Fr. Dougherty

Holy Redeemer Catholic School in Portland, Ore., celebrated International Bike + Walk to School Day on Oct. 5.

Rev. John Dougherty, C.S.C., blessed bikes, scooters and shoes for all the students who gathered early before school at Peninsula Park with their parents and then traveled together the remaining three blocks to the school building. All students were eligible for prizes that included a helmet and gift certificates.



HCFM Reaches Youth in East Africa Through Rallies

Holy Cross Family Ministries in East Africa continues its impressive work among families in the region through its 68 monthly radio programs, retreats and workshops for couples and parents.

In recent months, its Youth Outreach Team visited 18 schools and numerous youth groups, reaching more than 11,000 young people with the message of the power of prayer. HCFM offered Children's Rosary Rallies in various dioceses throughout the month of October, the month of the Rosary. More than 2,500 grade-school students participated in a rally in Kampala.

HCFM also is directing efforts toward its online outreach (www.hcfmeafrica.or.ug), the only Catholic cyber evangelization effort of its kind in East Africa.



Stonehill College



At the fall meeting of the Stonehill College Board of Trustees, **Rev. Mark T. Cregan, C.S.C.**, announced that he will step down as President of the College on June 30, at the conclusion of the 2012-13 academic year. Fr. Cregan became the College's ninth President in July 2000. A Stonehill Trustee since 1995, he is the second longest-serving President in the College's history and a 1978 graduate.

Under Fr. Cregan's leadership, Stonehill expanded academic offerings, strengthened the faculty, improved facilities and enhanced resources, including setting a fundraising record for its "Attaining the Summit" campaign. The College was recently ranked among the Top 100 Best National Liberal Arts Colleges by "U.S. News and World Report."

The search for a Holy Cross priest to succeed Cregan has begun.

Portland



The University of Portland awarded **Rev. Art Wheeler, C.S.C.**, with the 2012 Deans' Award for Faculty Leadership. According to Fr. Steve Rowan, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, "Fr. Wheeler is a man of vision who keeps his eyes on organization and execution to ensure the success of UP's study abroad and other programs ... The deans are unanimous in recognizing his contributions to the University and are grateful to him for his service."



Rev. Mark Ghyselink, C.S.C., began ministry as the Residence Director of Portland's Salzburg Program for two years this summer. The University's program in Austria began in 1964 and will soon be celebrating its 50th anniversary. Fr. Ghyselink follows a long line of Holy Cross directors. Sixty students attend the program during

summers and 40 students study in Salzburg during the academic year.



Rev. Gerry Olinger, C.S.C., Vice President for Student Affairs, and **Rev. John Donato, C.S.C.**, Associate Vice President for Student Development, reached their half-marathon goal on April 1, 2012, with a number of others from University of Portland. Fr. Gerry said, "This was a great teambuilding experience. We were happy with our time at finish." Fr. John added, "It was the longest I've ever run. Except for the last two miles, I enjoyed it. We had a great sense of accomplishment."



Rev. Frank Murphy, C.S.C., left Portland to serve as director for the McCauley House of Formation in Nairobi. **Rev. Jeff Allison, C.S.C.**, who also serves in the Registrar's Office, is the new local Superior for the community at the University of Portland.

Notre Dame

ND Preaching Conference

In June, the University of Notre Dame sponsored a conference on preaching, "We Preach Christ Crucified: A Conference on Catholic Preaching." The panelists were **Revs. Bob Loughery, C.S.C., Bill Wack, C.S.C., Joe Corpora, C.S.C., and Ron Raab, C.S.C.,** speaking to the theme "Preaching among the Poor."

Fr. Bill Lies Given College of Arts and Letters Award

At the College of Arts and Letters' Fall 2012 Dean's Address to the Faculty, John T. McGreevy, I.A. O'Shaughnessy Dean of the College of Arts and Letters, presented the 2012 Award of Appreciation for Outstanding Service to **Rev. William M. Lies, C.S.C.** Fr. Lies is Vice President for Mission Engagement and Church Affairs at Notre Dame. Fr. Lies received the award for his contributions to the College of Arts and Letters when he served as the Executive Director for the Center for Social Concerns.



Fr. William M. Lies, C.S.C., and Dean John T. McGreevy.

Family Rosary in Ireland for ND/Navy Game

Rev. Jim Phalan, C.S.C., reports that Family Rosary participated in activities sponsored jointly by the Notre Dame Ireland Program and the Fr. Peyton Centre during the time of the Notre Dame-Navy game. Fr. Phalan and **Rev.**

Sean McGraw, C.S.C., were part of a pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick (the Holy Mountain of Ireland) and to the Father Peyton Centre in County Mayo. About 100 people climbed the mountain and Fathers Phalan and McGraw celebrated Mass with them at the top. Afterwards, there were prayer and reflections on Fr. Peyton's mission in Ireland and to the rest of the world.

Fr. Pelton, Movie Recognized

Rev. Robert Pelton, C.S.C., Director for Latin American/ North American Church Concerns at the Kellogg Institute for International Studies at the University of Notre Dame, won the 2012 Latin American Studies Association Award for Merit in Film for his documentary, "Monseñor: the Last Journey of Oscar Romero." His film was among 25 entries.



Fr. Robert Pelton, C.S.C., receives the 2012 Latin American Studies Association Award for Merit.

King's College

Rev. Patrick Sullivan, C.S.C., a King's faculty member and noted labor historian, was named to the 2012 Labor 50 List published by "The Irish Echo" newspaper. The list annually honors 50 leading Irish American men and women active in the labor movement. Fr. Sullivan was honored as teacher, writer, administrator and speaker on behalf of workers in Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts, Indiana and Washington, D.C.

Chile

Week of Moreau at Colegio Nuestra Señora de Adacollo

With the theme of “Educating Minds and Hearts Throughout the World,” students at Colegio Nuestra Señora de Adacollo celebrated a week dedicated to the life and spirituality of Holy Cross founder Blessed Basil Moreau. This year, with new events and workshops, there was great interest throughout the school community. Each year, there are initiatives by Campus Ministry and the Religious serving in the school to provide formation in the spirituality of Blessed Moreau and the international mission of the Congregation of Holy Cross.

In addition to priests and brothers, it is truly a Congregational mission, with all the branches of the Congregation ministering in the school: the sisters from Canada and Perú, seminarians from Perú and Haïti, Postulants from Chile and the two University of Notre Dame graduates serving in the OLM program.

Students competed in a “Jeopardy”-like contest on Holy Cross mission and spirituality. Each grade level studied one country in which the Congregation serves and through the websites of the Congregation, made presentations and displays on the work of Holy Cross throughout the world. Images of the Religious throughout the world, flags and pictures of apostolates adorned the patios and garden areas of the school.

Prayers for all of the works of the Congregation were shared during the week dedicated to Blessed Moreau and the Congregation’s international mission.

Holy Cross Lay Collaborators Reflect on Their Mission

“United as Brothers and Sisters in Mission” was the theme for the 8th annual gathering of more than 200 lay colleagues from the apostolates of the Congregation of Holy Cross in Chile. It is an opportunity for lay colleagues and young people from all of the apostolates to know one another, dialogue and share hopes for their work with the Congregation in Chile.

Participants discussed the challenges that the Church in Chile faces today in reaching out to young people. Testimonies by the youth of our parishes and schools encouraged Religious and lay colleagues on how Holy Cross might be able to invite them to deepen their faith and participation in the life of the Church.

Participants also celebrated the Holy Cross Year of the Brother. **Br. Joaquin Parada, C.S.C.**, gave a moving testimony on his life in Holy Cross as an educator and his service in parishes with ministries to the poor, elderly and infirmed. With the challenges in education today in Chile and his experience in schools of the Congregation and other public schools in poor sectors, his words were received well by those in attendance.

More than 250 gathered in San Roque to share in the day of prayer, reflection, dialogue and celebration. The final blessing of the day was a sending forth for each one, as they returned to their mission in Holy Cross, affirmed of their importance as educators in the faith and in mission with the Congregation.

Year of the Brother

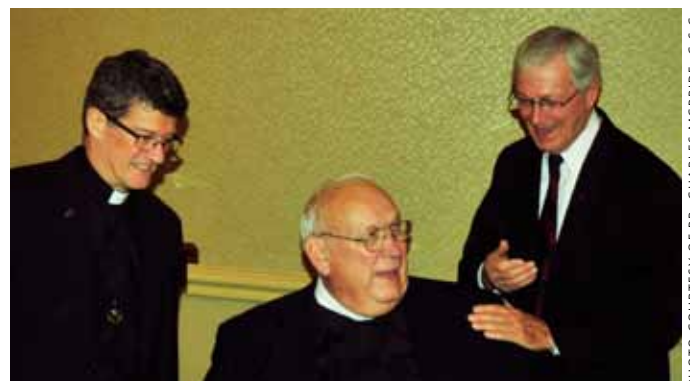
Religious End Year of the Brother with Mass, Dinner

Holy Cross Religious in South Bend, Ind., celebrated the closing of the Year of the Brother Oct. 17, 2012, with a Mass and Community dinner.

The 2010 General Chapter called for a Year of the Brother to begin on the first anniversary of St. André Bessette’s canonization, Oct. 17, 2011, to recognize the integral role brothers have in the life and ministry of Holy Cross.

The Year of the Brother concluded with a Mass in St. Joseph Chapel, followed by a dinner and program at Andre Place.

Rev. Andre Léveillé, C.S.C., a Holy Cross Brother before being ordained to the priesthood, was the principal celebrant and homilist for the Mass. **Rev. Chris Kuhn, C.S.C.**, of the U.S. Province Archives, concelebrated. **Br. Carlos Parrilla, C.S.C. (MW)**, chaired the Year of the Brother Committee.



Fr. Rick Wilkinson, C.S.C., Br. Donald Stabrowski, C.S.C., and Br. Joe Fox, C.S.C. (MW), share a laugh at a dinner concluding the Year of the Brother.

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México

Holy Cross Celebrates 25 Years in México

The Holy Cross community in Monterrey, Nuevo León, México, celebrated 25 years of mission and ministry in September. **Rev. Jack Keefe, C.S.C.**, the first pastor at Santo Tomas Moro, was on hand for the celebration, with **Rev. Thomas Zurcher, C.S.C.**, Director of the C.S.C. Community in México. There was a procession from that parish to Nuestra Madre Santísima de La Luz, the current parish. (La Luz began as a mission or chapel of Santo Tomas.) About 1,000 people participated in the festivities, which included a Mass and fiesta at La Luz parish. Parishioners from La Luz and St. Thomas More Parish participated in a long day of singing, praying, eating, dancing and much more.

Rev. Rick Wilkinson, C.S.C., First Assistant Provincial and Vicar of the U.S. Province, attended. **Sr. Jacinta Millán, C.S.C.**, and **Rev. Daniel Panchot, C.S.C.**, as well as Fr. Keefe – all of whom had worked in the parish – participated. **Sr. Judy Hallock, C.S.C.**, also traveled from the U.S. for the celebration. There were also many diocesan priests and Religious who came to celebrate.



Fr. Jack Keefe, the first Holy Cross Pastor in México, offers words of thanksgiving.



Fr. Matthew Kuczora, C.S.C., Sr. Judy Hallock and Fr. Tom Zurcher, C.S.C. at the fiesta.

Everyone present at the celebration received a blessed medal, including medals of Our Lady of Sorrows, St. Joseph, the Sacred Heart of Jesus – the three of whom founder Blessed Basil Moreau selected as patrons of the Congregation – and St. André Bessette, the Congregation's first saint. The actual anniversary of the founding in México is Sept. 9, but the celebration was timed to coincide with the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows.



Fr. Tom Zurcher, C.S.C., blesses participants in the 25th Anniversary Celebration with Holy Water.



Traditional Matachines dancers leading the opening procession for the 25th Anniversary Mass.



Frs. Jack Keefe and Alfredo Olvera, the first Holy Cross Pastor in México and the most recently ordained Holy Cross priest in México, respectively.

Holy Cross House Golf Cart Parade Swings Through ND

The Notre Dame Services employees from the Main Building and Transportation Services sponsored and organized a golf cart parade for the men at Holy Cross House for the Fourth of July. They decorated the golf carts, fire trucks, vans and a horse-drawn wagon. The parade was led by the fire trucks (with their sirens on) around the edge of the campus. The parade went past the stadium, hockey rink, Legends, the DeBartolo building, Grotto, steam plant, University garage and back to Holy Cross House. The Notre Dame Special Police directed traffic at all the intersections.

The evening began with a picnic supper in the dining room. After the parade, all enjoyed cookies and ice cream. The fireworks were cancelled because of the drought.



Fr. Jim Connelly, C.S.C., Superior at Holy Cross House, is ready to roll.



The golf cart parade.

History Conference Highlights Holy Cross in Western U.S.

"Holy Cross and Catholicism in the Western United States" was featured at the 31st Holy Cross History Conference held at the University of Portland, June 7-10. Twenty-five members of the Holy Cross History Association, including priests, brothers, sisters, lay collaborators and friends, participated in the conference.

Dr. Paul Myer, head of Student Health Services at UP, and **Br. Donald Stabrowski, C.S.C.**, Third Assistant Provincial and Secretary of the U.S. Province, co-chaired the conference. Br. Stabrowski was Provost at UP at the time of the conference.

Members of the Association researched and wrote papers about historically significant Holy Cross priests, brothers and sisters and their service in the western United States. **Fr. Jim Connelly, C.S.C.**, gave the opening paper, "Archbishop Christie's University: the Notre Dame of the Pacific Northwest." **Fr. Bob Nogosek, C.S.C.**, gave a paper and PowerPoint presentation on "Holy Cross Ministry in the Coachella Valley: 1973 - 2010." Also contributing papers were **Br. George Klawitter, C.S.C.** ("Brother Flavian Laplante, C.S.C.: Apostle to the Fisherman"), and Br. Stabrowski ("Holy Cross Brothers at the University of Portland: 1902 - 2012"). Two lay members of the Association gave papers: Dr. Myer presented "The History of Student Health Services at the University of Portland." Dr. Jessie Embry from Brigham Young University presented "Training Nurses and Young Ladies in Utah: St. Mary's of the Wasatch College: 1926 - 1959."

Copies of the papers can be obtained at the Archives of the United States Province of Priests and Brothers, P.O. Box 568, Notre Dame, IN 46556; 574-631-5371. All 267 conference papers are available on CD.



Seminarians Gather at 'Deer Porte'

As they do every year, the men in formation in the United States gather at the La Porte Center for an experience often referred to as "Deer Porte," in memory of the trips in the past to Deer Park, Md.



Professed seminarians and postulants at both Moreau Seminary and Old College.



Tim Mouton, C.S.C., 2nd Year Theology.



At the pool.



John Whittaker, Postulant.



Participants in the Transitional Years Workshop.

'Baby Priest Camp'

The Transitional Years Workshop for recently ordained priests was held June 4-7 at the La Porte Center. Rev. Bob Barron from the Archdiocese of Chicago was the main presenter at the workshop. Fr. Barron is the Director of "Word on Fire Catholic Ministries" and the creator of the "Catholicism Project." He was recently named Rector and President of St. Mary of the Lake Seminary, Mundelein, Ill.

Three Take Final Vows, Ordained Deacons

Three men took their Final Vows on Aug. 25 at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart and were ordained into the Order of the Deacon on Aug. 26 in the Chapel at Moreau Seminary. All three will be ordained priests in the spring of next year.



Brian Ching is the elder of Debbie and Fred Ching's two children. Born in New York City, he grew up in Flushing, N.Y., where he graduated from Holy Cross High School in 2003. He earned a bachelor's degree from Notre Dame in 2007 and a Master of Divinity in 2012.

Brian entered Old College during his sophomore year at Notre Dame in 2004. He studied at the American College in Louvain, Belgium, for a semester. During his time at the Holy Cross Novitiate (2007-2008) in Cascade, Colo., Brian served as a volunteer Chaplain with Penrose Hospital in Colorado Springs. He has also served as a religious education teacher at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Granger, Ind., (2009-2010); and as a seminarian intern at Holy Cross' St. John Vianney Parish in Goodyear, Ariz., (2010-2011). He professed his First Vows on Aug. 2, 2008. Brian is serving at St. Joseph Parish, South Bend, Ind.



Mark DeMott's first placement as a Deacon is serving at the University of Portland as a residence hall director.

He has been well-travelled during his seminary days with Holy Cross, having served as Director of Christian Formation at Saint Joseph Parish, South Bend (2007-2008); Parroquia Nuestra Madre Santísima de la Luz

in Guadalupe, Nuevo Leon, México (summer 2008); Penrose Main Hospital in Colorado Springs (during his Novitiate year in 2008-2009); Sacred Heart Parish in Colorado Springs (2008-2009); Holy Cross and Saint Stanislaus Parish, South Bend (2009-2010), where he served as Director of Liturgy and Music; Saint Joseph's High School, South Bend (2010-2011); and Holy Cross Lake View Senior Secondary School, Jinja, Uganda, where he was Choir Director and a chemistry and biology teacher (2011-2012). Mark entered Holy Cross in 2007. He professed his First

Vows on Aug. 1, 2009.

The eldest of five children, Mark grew up in Holland, Mich., the son of Dr. and Mrs. John (Jodi) DeMott. He was born in Kansas City, Mo., and graduated from Holland High School in 1998. He received a bachelor's degree in 2002 from Notre Dame, where he also received a Master of Divinity in 2007.



Jarrod Waugh grew up in rural Southeast Kansas, graduating from Labette County High School in Altamont in 2004.

The eldest of three children of Jerry and Carolyn Waugh, he earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Notre Dame in 2008 and a Master of Divinity in 2012. He lived

in Keough Hall for two years and was active in Campus Ministry and the campus Knights of Columbus Council before entering Old College as a junior in 2006. Jarrod professed First Vows on Aug. 1, 2009.

During his Holy Cross formation, Jarrod served as an adult Bible study catechist at Holy Cross Parish in South Bend (2007-2008); St. André Bessette Catholic Church, Portland (summer 2008); Chaplain at Penrose Hospital during his Novitiate year (2008-2009); Holy Redeemer Parish and School, Portland (January, 2009); Associate in the Mission Department at Holy Cross Family Ministries, North Easton, Mass. (summer 2011); and served as Assistant Director of the Old College Undergraduate Seminary Program at Notre Dame (2011-2012). He is serving at Christ the King Parish, South Bend.



In Other News...

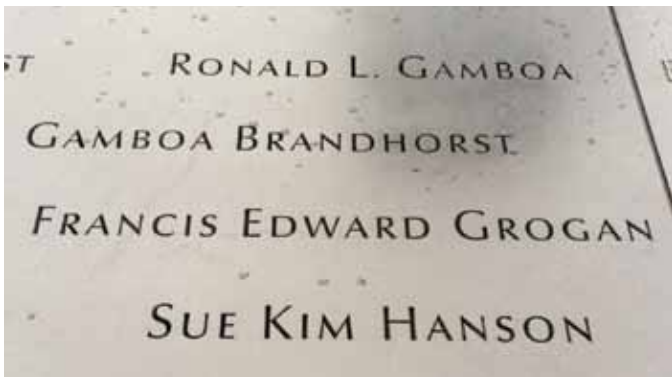
Moreau Seminary recently joined the Green Seminary Initiative, an organization that promotes efforts by theological schools and seminaries to incorporate care for God's creation into the identity and mission of the institution.

"If we really consider it, a commitment to sustainability is the natural response to God's love shown in creation. These blessings are many and like any treasure we want to protect and properly use them," said **David Halm, C.S.C.**, a seminarian directing Moreau's sustainability efforts. "The GSI and Notre Dame's Office of Sustainability are tremendous partners in helping us learn and promote this stewardship."

More than 40 seminaries around the country have joined the GSI. The program is housed at Drew Theological School, which also provides support and is guided by a diverse set of scholars and seminarians dedicated to faith-based earth care.



Fr. Steve Kempinger, C.S.C., Assistant Superior and Director of the Postulant Program at Moreau Seminary, inspects some of the new windows at the seminary. Windows in the Sacristy, Ambulatory, south hallway and south side of dining room have been replaced.



Fr. Kevin Spicer, C.S.C., sent in this picture of the 9/11 Memorial in New York City. Fr. Francis E. Grogan, C.S.C., was on the second plane that crashed into the Twin Towers.



Novice Michael Eardley (row one from left), Fr. John Dougherty, C.S.C., and Novice Brendan Ryan, joined Matt Fase, C.S.C. (row two, left) and Christopher Rehagen, C.S.C., in their renewal of vows at Holy Redeemer Parish in July in Portland, Ore. Also present (row two, right) Seminarian Pat Reidy and (row three, left) Deacon Mark DeMott, C.S.C..



St. Augustine's Parish in South Bend had a reception to honor three of its members who are Holy Cross Religious. Fr. Len Collins, C.S.C., the pastor, Sr. Sue Kinzele, C.S.C., and Br. Roy Smith, C.S.C., all celebrated 50 years of vows. A good time was had by all!



Fr. Oliver Williams, C.S.C. is in Seoul, Korea, for the year as an International Scholar at Kyung Hee University. The photo above is with two Korean colleagues after he was presented with a traditional Korean outfit by the Archdiocese of Seoul. This special clothing is worn on Korean holidays.

Obituaries

Rev. David H. Verhalen May 19, 1928 – Sept. 11, 2012



Rev. David Henry Verhalen, C.S.C., 84, died Sept. 11, 2012, at Holy Cross House.

He was born on May 19, 1928, in Scottsville, Texas, to Raymond P. and Jennie (Cameron) Verhalen. Fr. Verhalen attended St. Mary Academy in Marshall, Texas, and graduated from St. Edward High School in Austin, Texas, in 1945.

Fr. Verhalen attended St. Mary's University in San Antonio and Holy Cross Seminary at the University of Notre Dame. He entered the Sacred Heart Novitiate in South Bend, Ind., on Aug. 15, 1947, making his First Profession of Vows on Aug. 16, 1948. He graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy from Notre Dame in 1951 and made his Final Profession of Vows on Aug. 16, 1951. Fr. Verhalen studied theology at Le Grand Séminaire in Le Mans, France, from 1951 to 1954. He was ordained to the priesthood on June 12, 1954. Fr. Verhalen earned a Master's of Modern Language Degree in 1959 from Notre Dame.

Fr. Verhalen continued his studies in Paris at Institut Catholique de Paris for a year after his Ordination, then returned to teach at Holy Cross Seminary at Notre Dame from 1955 to 1967, where he also served as Assistant Superior from 1961 to 1964. From 1967 to early 1971, Fr. Verhalen taught at the Notre Dame High School for Boys in Niles, Ill., then became Chaplain at Le Mans Academy in Rolling Prairie, Ind., for a year. He served again as Chaplain at Le Mans from 1980 to 1983 and from 1990 to 1998. From 1972 to 1973, he Assisted at Moreau House in Chicago, then returned to Notre Dame as the Assistant Superior of St. Joseph Hall from 1973 to 1976. Fr. Verhalen also assisted in Campus Ministry at Notre Dame from 1976 to 1977. During 1979 and 1980, he ministered at St. Bernard Catholic Parish in Watertown, Wisc., and at Little Flower Catholic Church in South Bend. Fr. Verhalen also served as Chaplain of Solitude of Our Savior in Rolling Prairie from 1984 to 1990.

Fr. Verhalen assisted at the Hermitage in Palestine, Texas, from 1977 to 1979; 1983 to 1984; and lived there from 1998 to 2002. He lived at Holy Cross Mission House

in Notre Dame, Ind., from 2002 to 2005, then he moved to Columba Hall, also in Notre Dame. He moved to Our Lady of Fatima in Notre Dame in 2006 and then to Holy Cross House in July 2011.

Excerpts from the Eulogy for Father David Verhalen, C.S.C.

By Rev. Herb Yost, C.S.C.

When I informed my classmates of David's death, there was a unanimous feeling that an era of our lives had ended. To a man, we remembered David's kindness, his love for life, his humor, his spirit. We knew that he loved and respected us. There was no doubt in our minds that even then he was in touch with a deep source of life, yet we never knew him to be dogmatic or self-righteous ...

Fr. Don Feters wrote this from the Novitiate in Perú: "I don't remember what he taught me about Spanish. What I do know is that when I walked out of my last class with him, I loved Spanish and decided I would work on it and use it – and it became an important part of my life. I also walked out with the great desire to be a teacher – and so that's the kind of thing I've done ever since. He didn't just teach, but got us excited – and not just about Spanish ... but also about life, and how it was fun and funny, mysterious and awesome, and something to wake up to enthusiastically every day ..."

And so began a journey that was to take him to the desert of New Mexico, to several assignments that enabled him to devote more time to the solitary life of prayer and reflection, and above all to the piney woods of Texas, where he did his most significant inner work in his little one-room hermitage. This journey was made a bit more difficult by the opposition he experienced from his brothers. As an active apostolic religious community, several could not understand how solitude and ministry went together, or what solitude had to do with community. There was verbal sniping, sometimes outright mockery, plus questions about his mental or spiritual health. Yet he persisted in his quest, because deep within he knew it was the Spirit calling him out into the physical and inner desert.

It was in his two years in the Texas hermitage – from 1998 to 2002 – that everything finally started to come together ...

David thought he was going into the wilderness to find God. Instead he found himself. He was terribly disappointed at first, until he realized that's where God is. God lives quiet in the soul.

"God lives quiet in the soul." David came to realize

that he — as do most of us — had been doing things backwards. We look at the events of our life as random happenings which bring sorrow or bring joy, or more often, some kind of an “eh ... so what.” Our personal spirituality is so often disconnected from our daily life ... look at the very language we use about our “prayer life,” our “apostolic life,” our “community life.” Each is in its proper niche, instead of being experienced as a seamless whole.

And then came the events of July 2011. On the 15th of that month David was rushed to the hospital and was very near death. At one point, he had a near-death experience that showed him his place in the universe. Hearing him trying to describe it, I was reminded of the pictures of interstellar space taken by the Hubble telescope, except for him it wasn't a picture — it was a reality ... he was part of it, immersed in the universe. David called this his experience of God, and it left him with an enormous sense of joy, peace, love, fulfillment and wholeness. He wrote: “I felt no fear or sense of death or loss. Everything was just as it should be and I was graced to be a part of it all.” As St. Paul said: *“Eye has not seen and ear has not heard what God has prepared for those who love him.”*

In the course of his hospitalization, David had what he felt was a conversation with God. He asked God how much longer he had to live. God replied: “As long as you need.” David had a deep intuition that he needed to write a spiritual memoir, and so broached that possibility to God. God apparently said, “That's fine. You'll have time. Go for it.”

A week ago today, I was at Holy Cross House for the Sunday evening social. David was in great form — hale, hearty, taking a few humorous pokes at me. Before going into dinner, David told me he had finished writing, and that he and Maury Amen had gone over the manuscript correcting the spelling and the grammar ... Maury e-mailed me the news of David's death around 9 that morning. While sitting in the chapel of St. Paul's retirement community preparing myself for the 10 a.m. Mass, thinking of all the lives that had been touched by David, of how my classmates would feel, of how I felt ... there suddenly flashed into my mind two lines from the spiritual *Amazing Grace*, two lines which rolled through my mind every time I thought of David this week:

***“I once was lost but now am found;
was blind but now I see.”***

Rev. Thomas L. Campbell, C.S.C. Nov. 21, 1921 – Aug. 28, 2012



Rev. Thomas L. Campbell, C.S.C., 90, died Aug. 28, 2012, at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend, Ind.

He was born on Nov. 21, 1921, in Salem, Mass., to Thomas and Delia (Labbe) Campbell. Fr. Campbell attended old St. Mary's Parish School and graduated as valedictorian of

his St. Mary's Boys High School class in Lynn, Mass., in 1939. He entered Our Lady of Holy Cross Seminary for two years of intense study with 19 other young men in North Easton, Mass., the next fall. He was approved for the Novitiate at North Dartmouth, Mass., in August, 1941. Fr. Campbell professed First Vows on Aug. 16, 1942.

He earned his philosophy degree in June 1944 from the University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Ind.; took Final Vows on June 9, 1946; and was ordained a priest on June 2, 1948, by Archbishop O'Boyle.

Fr. Campbell's first assignment as a priest was with the Easton Mission Band in Massachusetts. He also served on weekends at a Catholic Parish on Cape Cod. He earned a Certificate in Christian Origins from the Institut Catholique de Paris in 1949, where he also developed expertise in French. He earned both licentiate and doctoral degrees in sacred theology from the Catholic University of America, while simultaneously serving as an Instructor in Philosophy and Theology at fledgling Stonehill College between 1951 and 1956. From 1953 to 1956, Fr. Campbell also served as Assistant Superior of St. Pius X Seminary at North Easton.

Fr. Campbell moved to King's College in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., in 1956, where he served as Instructor, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, full Professor and eventually Chairman of the Theology Department, a post in which he served from 1957 to 1966. In 1968, Fr. Campbell took a sabbatical fellowship at the University of Southern California, where he studied Asian religions. He lived at the old Cathedral rectory in the slums of Los Angeles.

In 1971, he served as a Visiting Scholar at Union Theological Seminary in New York City. He also served as Instructor for Catechists for the Diocese of Scranton, Pa.

For 15 years, he assisted in a parish on Park Avenue and at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York and spent an additional four years at St. Ann's Church in North Bronx, N.Y. After 31 years of teaching, Fr. Campbell began to serve

full-time at parishes in the Diocese of Fall River, Mass. He lived for many years in the Holy Cross Community at Stonehill. Fr. Campbell moved to Holy Cross House at Notre Dame in 2011.

Excerpts from Homily for Rev. Thomas Campbell, C.S.C

By Rev. James Chichetto, C.S.C.

In 1939, the year that Tom Campbell entered Our Lady of Holy Cross Seminary, the situation of the world was far from certain. Insecurity reigned. In fact, the world was being turned upside down. Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Poland had disappeared, absorbed by a hate-filled empire that destroyed everyone and anything that lay in its conquering path. England and France readily prepared to use their might to stop this marching demonic power. In East Asia, chaos also reigned, as Japan pillaged and occupied parts of China. A full-blown World War was soon clearly underway, one that would eventually take the lives of over 60 million people.

Amid this infernal chaos, Tom Campbell heard not the call of Uncle Sam, but that of Jesus Christ, who called out to Tom and invited him to follow. It is not us who choose Christ; but, as our Gospel states, Christ who chooses us. Despite this reality, that decision must have been a struggle at that time in history! But for Tom, it was an easy one. He heard Christ calling his name, inviting him to abide in Him, and remain in His love. Unlike so many men and women who entered World War II, Tom chose another path in order to lay down his life for his friends. He chose a different battlefield – the pastoral one – to serve his neighbor and his God. Tom willingly dedicated his life to God in service of his neighbor.

Throughout his life, Tom was a man for others. As a professor, he shared his accumulated wisdom and study of theology, philosophy and the classics with the young men and women of Stonehill and King's Colleges. As a scholar, Tom brought forth the essential writing of the sixth century theologian and philosopher, Pseudo Dionysius, and made it accessible for all to read – a translation still used by scholars and researchers today. And as a pastoral minister, a priest of the Congregation of Holy Cross, Tom directly served the people of God in diverse cathedral and parish settings on Cape Cod, in Manhattan, the Bronx and Fall River. These multifaceted aspects of Tom's life and ministry informed and influenced each other. Intense, deep spiritual reading, study and writing nourished his practical pastoral life. Similarly, dialogues in the counseling rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral's rectory

and the vestibules of many of Fall River's Catholic churches placed human faces on the ideas emanating from complex theological and philosophical treatises.

In all of this, Tom was a man whose life exemplified the life of an individual – a religious – who abided in Christ. A threefold motto exemplified his life: radical poverty, simplicity of lifestyle and nourishment of mind and soul through study. He lived all three with a great zeal and enthusiasm. He was truly happy with his life choices. A cherubic smile marked his sign of approval, followed by an unmistakable laugh. An engaging story followed not far behind.

In his later years, Tom had a great deal of time to reflect on his life and life in general. He enjoyed long strolls around the beautiful Stonehill campus, beret on his head and walking stick in hand. While he walked, he pondered and thought about the little things and the big things of life. The older he became the more the realities of life set in, especially as his close friends died. At times, it was challenging for him to be one of the oldest in the province. Despite such realities, Tom was hopeful, but also realistic. In all of this, the love and joy of his nieces, nephews and their families offered him so much hope.

In this hope and trust, Tom planned his Mass of Resurrection. The scriptural readings he chose are meaningful and profound. We, like Tom, through Baptism, share in Christ's death. And through this sharing with Christ, Christ promises us to share in the eternal life of His resurrection. Death no longer has power over us. For we live with Christ, and Christ lives in us.

Christ surely lived in and through Tom. After a fulfilling and long life, he has gone to God. We remain here on Earth. Following Tom's example, let us, too, be ever more aware of our Baptismal promises and recommit ourselves ever more to Christ. And most of all let us follow Christ's command: Love one another.



500 Attend Healing Mass, Blessing in Easton

A Holy Relic of St. André Bessette was included in a Healing Mass and Blessing at St. Joseph Chapel at the Father Peyton Center in Easton, Mass., near the second anniversary of the Canonization of Holy Cross' first Saint.

St. André was Canonized on Oct. 17, 2010. The Mass and blessing were celebrated in both English and French the weekend of Oct. 6 and 7 and included a procession, Rosary, anointing with Holy Oil, blessing with the relic and the Eucharist.

By all accounts, the Mass and blessing were a huge success! More than 500 people attended the two-day event. Mass was conducted in French by **Rev. Jean Gustave Miracle** on Oct. 6 and in English by **Rev. Hugh Cleary, C.S.C.**, on Oct. 7. Following the Mass and Blessing, many people visited the book store at the Father Peyton Center. According to the Center's Chaplain, **Rev. Leo Polsell, C.S.C.**, the store had a record sales day!



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