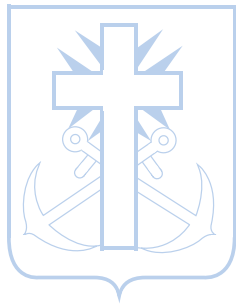


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## The Presence of Christ in Peru

*Brother Thomas Giumenta, a member of the Eastern Province of Brothers, has ministered in South America since 1993. From 1993 until 2005, he was a teacher and counselor at Colegio NS de Andacollo and St. George's College, both in Santiago, Chile, and the Director of Candidates for the District of Chile. In 2005, he moved to the District of Peru. He is a counselor at Fe y Alegria 25 and the Director of Postulants for the District.*

Suspend your conventional logic, your traditional paradigms and your understanding of protocol. All of the above which we take for granted in a first world North American culture will be hard to find among the poor of Canto Grande, a slum city, outside the metropolis of Lima. Canto Grande is the cumulative result of what happens to powerless people when they must abandon their peaceful rural culture due to joblessness, extreme poverty, terrorism or severe injustice and come to the city seeking new hope. Every family has its own story to tell in this 30 year old city of 175,000 people. The Congregation of Holy Cross has the privilege of serving them in ministry especially at Fe & Alegria 25, a large school with 12 grades and a pre-school.

"Education is the real hope for the future", said the Peruvian ambassador one night at one of those black tie cocktail parties in Washington. How correct he is and how proud Holy Cross is to be in the forefront of such hope. The differences we see in cultural



"Hermano Tomas" with some of his students -- and they are all good students -- on the first day of school.

contrasts between our students and their parents are tremendous: many of our students are the first in their families to graduate from high school!

"School isn't for me anymore," he said. Luis is already several inches taller than the others in his class because he has been left back twice. Socially it is difficult for him to adjust to his situation. Luis will remain in school or abandon his classes depending on our ability to convince him that he can contribute to society. Will Luis have the courage to ultimately

make the right the decision to help contribute to his country and his Church?

As we meditate on God's abundant gifts, let us think about the tremendous possibilities that our young Peruvian students have for renewing their society. The Reign of God will come more quickly or more slowly by the measure in which our young people will indeed learn the values of the gospel and its application in developing a just and equal society in Peru.

# From The Desk Of The Provincial



Brother Thomas A. Dziekan, CSC

Dear Friends in Holy Cross,

Over the last six months, I have had the opportunity to visit with all the members of the Eastern Province of Brothers wherever they minister and live. I have ventured outside the confines of New England and the Mid-Atlantic region to Indiana, Iowa, to Texas in time for the bluebonnets, and to Florida in the middle of winter. I ventured even further – to East Africa, Peru and Chile. It has been a wonderful experience to spend time with the brothers and their collaborators in ministry and to witness their

lives and work. It certainly brought home to me these words from the Constitutions of Holy Cross, our rule of life:

*Thus, wherever through its superiors the congregation sends us we go as educators in the faith to those whose lot we share, supporting men and women of grace and goodwill everywhere in their efforts to form communities of the coming kingdom*

In my visits, I was able to listen and speak with the brothers, to learn of their successes and frustrations and to hear about their dreams and anxieties. Our brothers are truly “educators in the faith.” They support, encourage and challenge young people as administrators, teachers and staff in our five sponsored schools. They provide warmth, food and clothing in shelters, the hope of some security at job banks and safety and protection at shelters for the elderly. They offer comfort and care as chaplains in nursing homes and assistance in parishes. They serve the broader Church in national offices that promote vocations to religious life and social justice in rural America. It was very humbling and inspirational to me: to witness the breadth and depth of these ministries, and most especially the fire of zeal that inspires and motivates our brothers to help “form those communities of the coming kingdom” wherever they are!

My visits to East Africa and South America enabled me to witness the birth of the new Holy Cross where the young men entering the Congregation are from those regions. In these areas, Holy Cross brothers and priests work as one – as Father Moreau envisioned. They have that same fire and desire and engage in work and ministry that seeks to bring the love of God to His precious people in those areas. The landscapes, cultures and languages are vastly different, but Holy Cross is easily recognizable in these men and their ministry: they live our motto, *Ave Crux, Spes Unica, Hail the Cross, our Only Hope. Holy Cross brings hope!*

In this issue of our Newsletter we share a bit of our lives. Perhaps you are able to imagine some of the flavor of our lives through these stories.

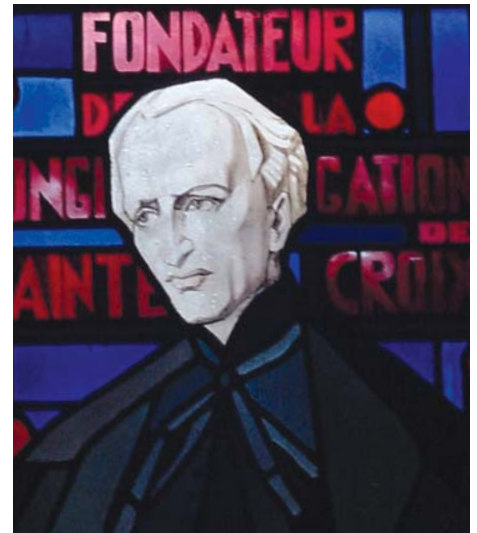
I thank you for your care and interest in us. You are valued partners with us in our life and mission, and I ask you to continue to pray for us. I ask that you pray especially that young men may be inspired to serve God in this way. Know that you and your needs and intentions are in our prayers. We joyfully and lovingly bring them to the Lord on your behalf through the intercession of Venerable Father Moreau.

Enjoy these summer months which I hope bring you rest and refreshment!

Sincerely in Holy Cross,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bro. Thomas A. Dziekan, CSC." The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Brother Thomas A. Dziekan, CSC, Provincial



## Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

- Brother Marcel Lafortune, CSC  
(Canadian Province)
- Brother Peter Claver (Edward) Tessier, CSC  
(Midwest Province)
- Brother Nivard (Rudolph) Meichtry  
(South-West Province)
- Father Harold G. Zink CSC (Indiana Province)
- Father Robert Hesse, CSC (East Africa)
- Father Bimal Joachim Rozario, CSC  
(Bangladesh)
- Father George C. Laprade, CSC  
(Canadian Province)
- Sister M. Amata, CSC
- Sister M. Monica Clare, CSC
- Sister M. Ann Francis, CSC
- Sister M. Dolata Vennekamp, CSC
- Sister Lauretta Kearney, CSC
- Sister Miriam Andre Williams, CSC
- Sister M. Francis Anne Kintz, CSC
- Sister M. Bettina Batchelder, CSC
- Mr. Robert Antonetti,  
former Province Member
- Mr. Peter Uy Nguyen, father of Fr Martin Lam Nguyen, CSC (Indiana Province)
- Edward Burns, brother of Br. Paul Burns, CSC  
(Eastern Brothers Province)
- Mrs. Mary Gleason, sister-in-law of Brother John Gleason, CSC

## And for the following individuals who are ill:

- Mrs. Catherine Gleason, mother of Brother John Gleason, CSC
- Sister Doris Clarke, sister of Brother Stefan Clarke, CSC
- Our ill and infirm Holy Cross Religious at Dujarie House and at Holy Cross House

Please join our Brothers in the ministry of Prayer by including these intentions in your prayers during the next months:

- For vocations to Holy Cross and especially to the brotherhood
- For peace in families and especially in the world

# IN LOVING MEMORY



**Brother John  
Chrysostom  
(William) Ryan, CSC**  
December 18, 1922  
– January 21, 2007

## **BROTHER JOHN CHRYSOSTOM (WILLIAM) RYAN, CSC**

Brother John Chrysostom (William) Ryan, CSC, a member of the Eastern Province of Brothers died on January 21, 2007 at Dujarie House, Notre Dame, IN. He was in the 65th year of his religious life.

William Kennedy Ryan was born on December 18, 1922 to William A. Ryan and Irene F. Dunn Ryan in Troy, NY. A member of St. Joseph Parish in Troy, he graduated from St. Joseph School in Troy in 1936 and then enrolled at LaSalle Institute in Troy where he was educated by the De La Salle Christian Brothers. He graduated from LaSalle Institute in 1940.

In 1942, William entered the candidate program for the Brothers of Holy Cross at St. Joseph of Holy Cross Juniorate in Valatie, NY. On January 15, 1943, he was received into the Congregation at Our Lady of Holy Cross Novitiate in North Dartmouth, MA and received the name Brother John Chrysostom. With the reception of that name came a lifelong interest and love of the Eastern Churches, especially their iconography. Brother John Chrysostom pronounced his first vows on February 2, 1944.

For his first thirty years in Holy Cross, Brother John Chrysostom nourished his brothers in Holy Cross as a cook in many community houses at Notre Dame, the Provincial House and at Holy Cross in Flushing and especially in houses of formation at Notre Dame and in the East. Although he could be gruff and “crusty,” the young brothers and candidates knew it was just the exterior that hid a compassionate heart.

For the next thirty years, Bro. John Chrysostom ministered with love, care and compassion to men and women afflicted with an addiction. He brought to them a willing ear, a compassionate heart, and wisdom. He was direct but kind, always speaking from his own experience. He prayed constantly for those so afflicted. He ministered at Mt. Pleasant Hospital in Lynn, MA and then became the Director of Counseling at Doctors’ Hospital in Worcester, MA. He was also a counselor at Ad Care Hospital in Worcester. In 1991, Brother John Chrysostom suffered a sudden paralysis. He never recovered fully from the paralysis and was assigned to Dujarie House at Notre Dame in 1991. In spite of his paralysis, Brother John continued to serve as an addictions’ counselor at Holy Cross Counseling Services in South Bend, IN until just a few weeks before his death.

Family and friends gathered on January 25, 2007 at Saint Joseph Center to commend the soul of our beloved brother to God’s eternal embrace!



**Brother  
Sean Joseph  
Haggerty, CSC**  
November 7, 1922 –  
February 6, 2007

## **BROTHER SEAN JOSEPH HAGGERTY, CSC**

Brother Sean Joseph Haggerty, CSC, a member of the Eastern Province of Brothers, died on Tuesday, February 6, 2007 in Mountain View, CA. He was in the 61st year of religious life in Holy Cross.

Sean Joseph Haggerty was the oldest of the four children born to James Haggerty and Anna Curran on November 7, 1922 in Letterkenny, Co. Donegal, Ireland. He was baptized in the Church of Ss. Eunan and Columba in the parish of Conwall and Leck, County Donegal on November 10, 1922. The Haggertys emigrated to the United States in May, 1926 and settled in Jersey City, New Jersey. Sean was educated at St. Aloysius School in Jersey City and attended W. L. Dickinson High School in the same city from 1937 to 1940. Following his completion of high school, he worked for the American Can Company and Western Electric.

Sean entered Sacred Heart Juniorate in Watertown, WI in September 1946 and was received into the Congregation at St. Joseph Novitiate in Rolling Prairie, IN on February 1, 1947. He pronounced his first vows in February 1948 and made his perpetual profession of vows on August 16, 1951.

Brother Sean served in special services throughout his religious life in Holy Cross. He was assigned to St. Joseph’s in Valatie, NY and the Holy Cross Foreign Mission Seminary in Washington, DC. From 1952 to 1965, he was one of the many “brother canvassers” for Ave Maria magazine. Returning East, Brother Sean ministered at Pius XII School in Chester, NY and then assisted in the office at Cardinal Mooney High School in Rochester, NY and Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville, MD In 1988, Brother Sean moved west, to St. Francis High School in Mountain View, CA, where he served as a library aid until 1998. Sean retired in 1998 and remained with the Holy Cross community in Mountain View. Sean was not one to sit still and volunteered at a food pantry, the Seton Thrift Shop with Brother Gonzaga Day, CSC in Tennessee, the Good Shepherd Refuge in Toronto, ONT and with the Rochester Interfaith Jail Ministry.

Brother Sean was a good and caring man, generous and hospitable, and faithful to his relationship with God in prayer and in his religious life. He was a thoroughly enjoyable companion in community. While trading in his Irish brogue for one from northern New Jersey, he never lost that sparkle of Irish mischief in his eyes.

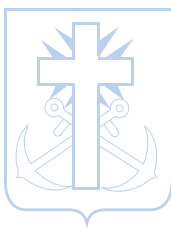
He is survived by his sister, Marie Bradshaw, of Toms River, NJ, several nieces and nephews and two cousins.

Family, friends and community members gathered on Tuesday, February 13, 2007 in the chapel of St. Joseph Center to give thanks to God for such a good brother and pray for his eternal rest.

# Province Jubilarians

*“We are committed by our vocation to extend the Reign of Jesus Christ in the hearts of all people.”*

—Ven Basil Anthony Moreau, CSC



On Saturday, April 28, 2007, members of the Eastern Province of Brothers along with family and friends gathered to celebrate the 60th, 50th and 40th anniversaries of the first profession of vows by ten of our Brothers. Father Robert deLeon, CSC, a member of the novitiate class of those observing their 40th anniversary and a member of the St. Joseph Center community, was the main celebrant and homilist. Other concelebrants were Holy Cross priests from the Eastern and Indiana Provinces. All gave thanks for the gifts, dedication and generosity of these brothers!

## 60th Anniversary

### **BROTHER RICHARD P. HARTLING, CSC**

A native of Holyoke, MA, Brother Richard earned degrees from Fordham University and Siena College. He spent most of his ministerial life as a teacher in province schools and with child care agencies: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School in the Bronx, St. Thomas Aquinas School in Brooklyn, Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville, MD, Holy Cross High School in Flushing, NY, Cardinal Mooney High School in Rochester, NY and Pius XII School in Chester, NY and St. Charles Boys Home in Milwaukee, WI. Since 1986, he has assisted at St. Joseph Center in Valatie, NY

## 50th Anniversary

### **BROTHER RICHARD L. ECKHARDT, CSC**

Brother Richard is a native of Beaver Falls, PA and a veteran of the Korean War. He received his undergraduate degree from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh and his graduate degree from St. John's University, Jamaica, NY. Brother Richard has served as a teacher and librarian at Bishop Hendricken High School in Warwick, RI, Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville, MD, Cardinal Mooney, High School in Rochester, NY, St. Edmond's Academy, in Wilmington, DE, Mackin Catholic High School in Washington, DC., Holy Cross High School in Flushing, NY, Notre Dame High School in West Haven, CT and at St. Edward's University in Austin TX. He retired in 2005 to St. Joseph Center in Valatie, NY.

### **BROTHER FRANCIS J. ENSIGN, CSC**

Brother Francis is a native of Albany, NY and graduated from The Vincentian Institute there. Following his profession of vows, he studied at St. Edward's University in Austin, TX and has served faithfully Notre Dame High School in West Haven, CT since 1958 as a member of the staff and coach.

### **BROTHER JAMES C. GULNAC, CSC**

A veteran missionary and counselor, Brother James is a native of Bradford, PA. He received his education at St. Edward's University in Austin, TX and at Fairfield

University, Fairfield, CT. Brother James served at St. Augustine's Teacher Training College in Butiti for nine years, and at Notre Dame High School in West Haven, CT, Bethlehem Catholic High School in Bethlehem, PA, Notre Dame International School in Rome, Italy, St. Francis High School in Mountain View, CA, and the Holy Cross School in New Orleans, LA. Brother James also served the province as the Director of Vocations. Since 1997, Brother James has assisted with the well-elderly program at St. Joseph Center in Valatie, NY.

### **BROTHER FRANCIS L. LEARY, CSC**

A native of Fall River, MA and a graduate of Msgr. Coyle High School, Brother Francis is a well respected teacher, counselor and administrator. With degrees from the University of Notre Dame and St. John's University in Jamaica, NY, Brother Francis served as teacher and counselor at Msgr. Coyle High School in Taunton, MA, The Vincentian Institute in Albany, NY, College Notre Dame in Montreal, Quebec, Cardinal Mooney High School in Rochester, NY and Holy Cross High School in Flushing, NY. He also served as Principal of Holy Cross High School in Waterbury, Ct from 1971 to 1980 and as principal of Notre Dame High School in West Haven, CT from 1984 to 1989.

### **BROTHER PETER A. MARTIN, CSC**

Brother Peter grew up in Rochester, NY. After his profession of vows, he studied at St. Edward's University and received his MBA from the University of Notre Dame. From 1960 until 1976, Brother Peter served as the Treasurer and a teacher at Notre Dame High School, West Haven, CT, Holy Cross High School, Flushing, NY, Bishop McNamara High School, Forestville, MD, Cardinal Mooney High School, Rochester, NY and at St. Edmond's Academy, Wilmington, DE. From 1976 until 2005, Brother Peter used his considerable skills and talents as the Steward and Treasurer for the Eastern Province of Brothers. From 1999 until 2007, he was the Administrator at St. Joseph's Center in Valatie, NY.

### **BROTHER LEO J. ROSSIGNOL, CSC**

A native of Waterville, ME, Brother Leo served in the US Army during World War II and fought at the Battle of the Bulge. Following his entrance into Holy

Cross and his first profession of vows, Brother Leo received his undergraduate degree from St. Edward's University and his graduate degree in Library Science from St. John's University in Jamaica, NY. He served as teacher and librarian at Out Lady of Mt. Carmel School in the Bronx, Notre Dame High School in West Haven, CT, St. Thomas Aquinas School in Brooklyn, NY, Bishop Hendricken High School, Warwick, RI and Holy Cross High School in Flushing, NY. He also assisted in the Treasurer's office at the Provincial House and served as Librarian and Assistant Archivist for the Province at St. Joseph's Center in Valatie, NY. Because of ill health, Brother Leo was assigned to Dujarie House at Notre Dame, IN in 2002.

### **BROTHER ALEXANDER T. STROZ, CSC**

A native of Philadelphia, PA, Brother Alexander is a veteran of the Korean War. He received his degrees from St. Edward's University in Austin and Siena College in Loudonville, NY. Brother Alexander ministered at Holy Cross High School, Flushing, NY, Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville, MD and Cardinal Mooney High School, Rochester, NY. He also served at Moreau Seminary, Notre Dame, IN and at the Holy Cross Foreign Mission Seminary, Washington, DC.

### **40th Anniversary**

### **BROTHER LAWRENCE J. ATKINSON, CSC**

Brother Lawrence is a native of Fitchburg, MA and is currently the Director of Vocations for the Province. He has degrees from St. Edward's University in Austin, Middlebury College in Vermont, and Boston College. Brother Lawrence ministered as a teacher at The Vincentian Institute in Albany, Notre Dame International School in Rome, Italy, Mt. Calvary School in Forestville, MD, and Cardinal Mooney High School in Rochester, NY. From 1978 to 1984 he served as Headmaster of St. Edmond's Academy in Wilmington, DE. He has also served as the Director of Development for the Leviticus Fund in New York and as a career counselor and the Director of the Candidate program at St. Edward's University in Austin, TX.

### **BROTHER THOMAS A. DZIEKAN, CSC**

Brother Thomas grew up in Derby, CT and graduated from Notre Dame High School in West Haven, CT. He received his degrees from Stonehill College in North Easton, MA and Middlebury College in VT. He also studied at Regis College in Toronto. Brother Thomas ministered as a teacher at The Vincentian Institute in Albany, NY, Holy Cross High School in Waterbury, CT and Notre Dame International School. From 1979 to 1986 he was the Headmaster at Notre Dame International in Rome, and from 1989 to 1996 the Headmaster of Notre Dame High School in West Haven, Brother Thomas served on the formation staff at Holy Cross Novitiate in Cascade, CO and at Moreau Seminary, Notre Dame, IN. From 1999 to 2005, he served as the Director of Mission Effectiveness for Holy Cross in the Eastern and Midwestern United States. Since 2006, he has been the Provincial of the Eastern Province of Brothers.

### **IN PRAYERFUL REMEMBRANCE OF OUR DECEASED JUBILIANS**

#### **75TH ANNIVERSARY**

Brother Matthew Gara, CSC • Brother Christian Stinnett, CSC

#### **70TH ANNIVERSARY**

Brother Manuel Hale, CSC • Brother Rudolph Lacas, CSC

#### **65TH ANNIVERSARY**

Brother Robert (Lellis) Brannigan, CSC  
 Brother John Capistran Bylancik, CSC  
 Brother Robert (Franciscus) Willett, CSC

#### **60TH ANNIVERSARY**

Brother William Parker, CSC • Brother John Shea, CSC

#### **50TH ANNIVERSARY**

Brother Walter Kramar, CSC • Brother Paul Rahaim, CSC  
 Brother Robert Rexroth, CSC • Brother Joseph Zilinski, CSC



The Jubilarians renewed their vows during the Liturgy.

From left to right:  
 Brother Alexander Stroz,  
 Brother Francis Leary,  
 Brother Francis Ensign,  
 Brother Richard Hartling,  
 Brother Richard Eckhardt,  
 Brother James Gulnac,  
 Brother Peter Martin,  
 Brother Lawrence Atkinson,  
 and Brother Thomas Dziekan.

Missing from the picture is Brother Leo Rossignol who is a resident at Dujarie House at Notre Dame, IN.

## From The Vocation Director



Brother Alan Harrod, CSC

Dear Friends,

I recently read something. It is from a Code of Ethics published by the National Religious Vocation Conference in the United States. It says, in part: "A vocation director is entrusted with the privileged and sacred responsibility of assisting others in the discernment of their baptismal call."

This is a huge responsibility, but it is exactly what those of us involved in this ministry are called to do. One implication that is sometimes not noticed is that there will be many who begin the process and will eventually discern that their call is not to the religious life or priesthood.

My basic premise in this ministry is that each individual is important. That means I need to come to know him as a person and that takes time and effort. One of our legendary members in the Eastern Province of Brothers, the late Brother Edward Sniatecki, CSC, used to clear his desk every day. He wrote a personal response to every letter he received, and that on a manual typewriter! Well, I don't clear my desk every day, but I do write a personal response to each young man who writes. It takes lots of time at the computer, but it does help me to come to know the young man. Some balk at the idea that they need to spend time in coming to know Holy Cross and also to be known themselves. If the process is too long for someone, I usually suggest he do a little more investigating. We don't need to know someone well enough to decide if he is ready for perpetual profession, but we do need to know him well enough to decide if he is ready, willing and able to enter into the formation process.

The process of formation never really ends. We are all growing and developing every day. The initial process of formation does end, however, with the pronouncing of perpetual vows in Holy Cross. Before that, in East Africa, there is a candidacy program of three years followed by a year of novitiate. Then there is the post-novitiate program. For seminarians, it means a four or five year theology program, plus a pastoral year. For the Brothers, it usually means a three or four year university program and a pastoral year. That adds up to 9 years for most brothers and 10 years for most seminarians. When someone fully enters into the program, he will be ready to freely commit himself to our way of life.

Our prayer is that we continue to be blessed by young men who are ready to "Come and See" and then "Come and Try" as a candidate, novice and temporarily professed member of the Congregation of Holy Cross, District of East Africa. Please join us in that prayer.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alan Harrod, CSC".

Brother Alan Harrod, CSC,  
Director of Vocations

# In the News

**Brother George Schmitz, CSC** gave the keynote address at the Second Convocation of the Holy Cross Institute held at St. Edward's University in Austin, TX from March 18 through 20, 2007. Brother George's presentation was entitled *Christian Education by Venerable Basil M. Moreau, CSC: Vision, Instruction, Invitation*. The full text of the address is available on the Holy Cross Institute website: [www.holycrossinstitute.org](http://www.holycrossinstitute.org). It was very well received and formed the basis for discussion and planning for the rest of the Convocation. There were well over 150 Holy Cross educators present, including board members, administrators and faculty, with each Holy Cross sponsored school, high school, college and university in the United States represented.

**Very Rev. Hugh W. Cleary, CSC**, Superior General, and **Brother Bijoy Rodrigues, CSC**, General Assistant, of the Congregation of Holy Cross began their official visitation to the Eastern Province of Brothers on May 14, 2007. Both Father Cleary and Brother Bijoy will be visiting all the residences and institutions in the province as well as interviewing each member of the Province during the visitation. This visit represents a "coming home" for Father Cleary as he is a member of the Eastern Province of Priests and Brothers in Bridgeport, CT. He is also an alumnus of the class of 1964 of Holy Cross High School in Flushing, NY.

Notre Dame High School of West Haven closed its 60th Anniversary celebration with a liturgy on May 6, 2007. The festivities over the course of this past year have concentrated on the accomplishments of the students and alumni of the school as well as the contributions of the Brothers of Holy Cross. **Bro. James Branigan, CSC**, President of Notre Dame, announced an eight

million dollar expansion program, the first major renovation to the school since 1965.

**Mrs. Heather Gossart** and the Board of Directors of Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville, MD have announced a six million dollar renovation and expansion program at the 825 student school.

On April 22, 2007, **Brother Jerome Donnelly, CSC** unveiled a new plaque in the main hallway of Holy Cross High School in Waterbury thanking the many Holy Cross brothers and priests and sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame who ministered at Holy Cross. The beautiful plaque lists all the names of these religious and contains the congregational seals for both the Holy Cross and Notre Dame congregations.

Congratulations to **Bro. Albert Rutayisire, CSC** who was awarded a Master's degree in African Studies from St. John's University in Jamaica, NY on Sunday, May 13, 2007. Brother Albert is on the faculty at Holy Cross High School in Flushing, NY.

Congratulations to **Bro. Frederick Cosgrove, CSC**, who passed his written and oral exams for certification as a Credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor (CASAC). He is a substance abuse counselor at Out Lady of Mercy Medical Center in the Bronx.

**Brother David Andrews, CSC**, Executive Director of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference in Des Moines, IA, has been busy with programs and presentations. He was on the program for the Eco-Fair Trade Dialogue sponsored by Miserior, the German Catholic Development organization, in Berlin in April, then traveled to Brussels for a meeting with the Catholic International organization for Development and Solidarity, and then Monterey, CA where he spoke on Social Justice for the Monterey Bay Aquarium's Sustainable Development Conference. Brother David will be completing his term as the Executive Director of NCRLC in June of this year and will be taking a sabbatical at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, IL. Congratulations and thanks to Brother David for his ministry on behalf of the Church and the Congregation!

**Brother Jerome Donnelly, CSC** will be completing his term as President of Holy Cross High School in Waterbury, CT where he has served for the last 15 years. Brother Jerome was responsible for enhancing the already strong foundation

of Holy Cross as a Catholic school in the Holy Cross tradition. He oversaw the construction of the new Art and Technology Center. Brother Jerome was honored by board members, faculty, family and friends at a gathering held at the Aqua Turf Club in Southington, CT on May 20, 2007. Brother Jerome will be on sabbatical during the next academic year.

Congratulations to **Mr. Timothy McDonald** who has been appointed the new President of Holy Cross High School in Waterbury, CT. A Search Committee composed of representatives of the Provincial Administration and Board of Directors made the recommendation to Brother Thomas A. Dziekan, CSC, Provincial. Mr. McDonald has been a faculty member, administrator and coach at Holy Cross since 1971. He has served as the Principal at Holy Cross for the last 17 years. We offer him our best wishes and prayers and know that Holy Cross is in good hands.

**Brother Joseph Umile, CSC** will be completing 14 years as chief administrator of Bishop Chatard High School in Indianapolis, IN, a school sponsored by the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Brother Joseph oversaw several capital campaigns and new construction at Bishop Chatard during his tenure. He was honored by the school community on June 3, 2007. Brother Joseph will be on an independent sabbatical in Cocoa Beach, FL during the next academic year.

**Brother Harold Hathaway, CSC** will be completing his four year tenure as

President of Coyle-Cassidy High School in Taunton, MA. Brother Harold, an alumnus of Msgr. Coyle High School, class of 1962, will be taking a program in pastoral studies during the next academic year.

**Brother John Bailanda, CSC**, will begin a Master's program in Education specializing in technology at Ugandan Martyrs University in Nkozi, Uganda this next term.

During the month of March, the five schools sponsored by the Eastern Province of Brothers – **Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville, MD, Holy Cross High School in Flushing, NY, Holy Cross High School in Waterbury, CT, Notre Dame High School in West Haven, CT** and **Saint Edmond's Academy in Wilmington, DE** – celebrated St. Joseph's Day in conjunction with activities honoring and remembering Venerable Basil Moreau, CSC, Founder of the Congregation of Holy Cross. There were liturgies and special activities. Several schools used the opportunity to teach their students about other Holy Cross schools around the world and raised funds for special projects and equipment.

The weekend of June 15 through 17, members of the Province gathered for a retreat sponsored by the Province's Brotherhood Committee. The theme of the retreat was *The Spiritual Legacy of Venerable Basil Anthony Moreau*. Presenters were: **Brothers Paul Bednarczyk, Renatus Foldenauer and Robert Nebus**.



Founders Day Liturgy at Holy Cross High School in Waterbury, CT. L-R: Brother William Zaydak, Vicar Provincial, Brother Thomas A. Dziekan, Provincial, Archbishop Henry Mansell of the Archdiocese of Hartford, Brother Jerome Donnelly, President of Holy Cross, Mr. Dale Hoyt, Superintendent of Schools, Archdiocese of Hartford.

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In the spirit of our founder, Basil Anthony Moreau, we serve the needs of the people of God through our consecrated commitment as lay religious within the church.

We respond in faith as prayerful and prophetic men who make God's love known to all. As disciples of Jesus, we strive to reach out to others and challenge ourselves to be especially attentive to the poor, oppressed and afflicted in our midst. We seek to confront aspects of society and culture which detract from the fullness of life. We share this mission with people of various cultures and traditions.

We are sustained and motivated by our relationship with God and are enriched by prayer and the celebration of the Eucharist. We commit ourselves to ongoing personal growth, renewal and conversion.

As men of mission, we are supported and encouraged by our brothers and sisters in Holy Cross. We build community, in a spirit of hospitality, as a sign of hope in an alienated world.

As brothers, dedicated to the mission of Jesus, we look to the future with boldness and hope.

-promulgated October 30, 1993

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 God Bless You!

# Scenes from the Jubilee



Father Robert deLeon, CSC (center) and Holy Cross priest concelebrants: Father Joseph Sidera, Father Patrick Neary, Father John Young, Father Bradley Metz, Father Charles Kociolek, Father Daniel Kayajan, Father Peter Walsh, Father George Lucas, and Father James Madden.



The chorus from Notre Dame High School in West Haven, CT

Below: Prayer service in the community cemetery remembering the deceased jubilarians



Below:  
 Left: Brother Lawrence Atkinson, CSC offers thanks on behalf of the Jubilarians.

Right: Brother Thomas A. Dziekan, CSC offers some remarks and thanks on behalf of the Province.

