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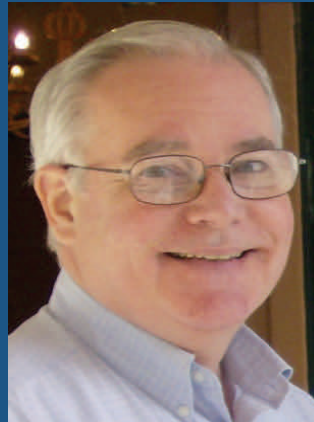
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North America

The Congregational Leadership of the Congregation of Christian Brothers has announced the new Leadership Team for the North American Province. The new Province Leadership Team will begin their term in July.



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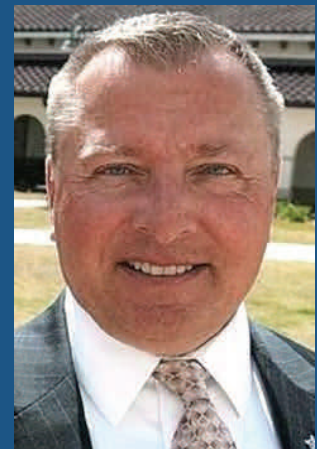
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Message from the Province Leader



Dear Friends,

Greetings from a snow covered Elizabeth, NJ. For many, this has been a harsh winter, and I pray your spirits have remained strong in the hope that spring will soon arrive. This edition of *Christian Brothers Today* is due to be published in late February, so as you are reading this, Christian Brothers from around the world are preparing to gather in prayer and discernment as the Brothers hold their Congregation Chapter in Nairobi, Kenya.

Every six years, delegates from every Province and Region of the Congregation gather with the Congregation Leadership Team to reflect on how well we have responded to the directions of the previous chapter and to discern where we are being called to new possibilities in serving God's kingdom.

The theme for this Chapter is *Drawn by Mystery - Destined for Life*. A major focus will be responding to *A Way into the Future*, a sort of long-range plan for the Congregation. It reminds us that we are a global religious community, and we, like our founder Blessed Edmund Rice, are called to serve all God's people, especially the poor, wherever they are located.

Please remember us in your prayers, that our hearts may be open to the Spirit of God in our midst and attentive to the divine whispers urging us to new life. Like Moses, may we be drawn by the mystery of God to a trusting acceptance of our vocation to give witness to our loving God in the world. And may Jesus live in our hearts ... forever.



Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "H. O'Neill".

Hugh O'Neill, CFC
Province Leader
Edmund Rice Christian Brother North America

IN EDMUNDAN'S FOOTSTEPS

RUBEN CENTRE

Nairobi, Kenya

Michael and Alison Slattery are an Australian couple who spent this year's school holiday period volunteering with the Christian Brothers and their associates who serve Nairobi's slum community of Mukuru through various ministries at the Ruben Centre.

Mukuru, with a population of 700,000 people, is one of the largest slum areas of Kenya's capital. The slum dwellers have little or no access to basic services and facilities. Michael is Principal of St Edward's College in Gosford, New South Wales. Here Alison, a nurse specialising in the care of drug-affected pregnant women, writes about her first week at the Ruben Clinic.

Recently I have had the privilege to work in the Ruben Clinic as a nurse. What a wonderful experience to work with a dedicated and very experienced team of Kenyans who give such good care to the Mukuru slum community. With limited space and equipment and huge numbers of patients to see each and every day, they work tirelessly to fill a huge need in this very disadvantaged community.

As an Australian, it has been extremely difficult to witness the struggle to provide basic health care, and deal with all the cultural and language issues. The clinic provides so many services, including HIV testing and counselling, a TB clinic, Mother-&-Child health, nutrition support, physiotherapy and dentistry, and a lab for on-the-spot testing. It also has an on-site pharmacy, as well as a very busy treatment room for all manner of injuries.

The highlight for me was being part of a team of four weighing, measuring, and vaccinating 101 babies in one morning! The hardest moments were to witness a small malnourished boy aged 2 but only the size of a 6-month-old. He had a fractured hip from domestic violence, no mother, and a father who was not keen on looking after him. For the time being the boy's grandmother will help, but this may not last. My heart constricts with what will become of this gorgeous frightened little boy!

Some patients have been treated but require further specialist help at the government hospital, but they cannot afford this and therefore do not go for follow-up treatment. This means that they may die soon and then their children will have no mother to care for them. How can this happen in our world today?

I am sure the next week will bring another set of highs and lows, and I am looking forward to the challenges ahead. My heartfelt thanks to all the staff at Ruben for their patience and support, for allowing me to come and be part of the Ruben community.

Alison Slattery

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Michael and Alison Slattery in front of the mural at the Ruben Centre.

COMMUNITY VICENTE LÓPEZ

Official Opening of a New Brothers Community

Buenos Aires, Argentina



Brothers Renato Llerena (above-left) and Michael Lynch have been traveling between their former communities and their new community house in Vicente López in greater Buenos Aires.



They have met several of those in charge of various works of solidarity which are undertaken by different groups in Cardinal Newman high school, and they were immensely impressed by the dedication of these good people and considered it a great privilege to have been able to share their spirituality with them.

The principal of Newman High School, Alberto Oliveiro handing over the keys of the house to Br. Michael Lynch which the new community will occupy.

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NINE NOVICES ARRIVE IN LUSAKA

On Saturday 1 February nine Novices arrived at Lusaka airport to be greeted by Novitiate staff. Lusaka is the capital and largest city of Zambia. On arrival at Chelston, the four Zambia novices welcomed them. After lunch the Zambians inducted the nine into the mysteries of kwachas (the currency of Zambia), sim cards (for cell phones), buying airtime, and other life essentials. Russell took some group photos, the best of which (the happiest) is attached. It has the top of Edward's head scalped and half of Charles' head missing. Apologies to them.



Standing at the back Edward Masinde (K), then standing L to R Dominic Mwanja (K), Oliver Williams (SL), John Phiri (Z), Fredrick Ochwallo (K), Nicholas Mutiso (K), Innocent Kaimbo (Z), Charles Tamuku (K). Bending over - blue & white hoops (Geelong!!) Peter Kapulu (Z). Squatting L to R - Samuel Cromwell (G), Steven Sitali (Z), Joseph Abdula (SL), John Nyamba (T). Code: K = Kenya; SL = Sierra Leone; Z = Zambia; G = Ghana; T = Tanzania



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GRADUATE SUPPORT PROGRAM

GUADALUPE REGIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Brownsville, Texas

I grew up in a working household. My father took on as many night shifts and overtime shifts as possible with the city's sewer department to make ends meet for my mother and their two kids. My Italian family almost never ate out – and to this day I have never seen a store-bought jar of tomato sauce in the cupboard: all made from scratch. I don't remember our going to the movies as a family or worrying about renovations to our home, but I do remember hours of playing outside and lively conversations around our second-hand dinner table. In truth, neither of my parents went to college, but I could not have asked for two more loving figures.



Guadalupe RMS President Michael Motyl talks with students who attend the tuition free school.

I owe much of my character and love of God to my parents, but when it came to college, they weren't able to offer much guidance. And it is here that I see similarities between my family and the families of our students at Guadalupe Regional Middle School. I was blessed to receive the financial aid and scholarship funds to attend the local private Catholic school, an opportunity that would not have been afforded to me otherwise. It was the one-on-one resources available to the students at that high school that closed the gap. I have since attended Catholic universities, both Boston College and the University of Notre Dame.

My higher education experiences felt just like the pictures of the catalogs, but my conversations with the many folks whom I have met around the country are different. It seems the support I received from my

Catholic high school isn't necessarily typical, and some of the most intriguing minds I have come across didn't have the edge to find the school that best fit their needs or to figure out the financial options to complete college in four years, and so on.

Graduate Support Program

Our Graduate Support Program (GSP) at Guadalupe Regional Middle School is part of what we want to distinguish us from most other education programs. To truly believe in our mission means we cannot abandon our students after eighth grade. We need to assist in placing students into competitive high schools. The GSP aims to continue mentoring students as they make plans for educational choices after high school graduation. Many of these students are the first in their family to graduate high school, and the possibilities of further studies make their hopes remain attainable.

It has been proven that a well-run graduate support program facilitates a higher percentage of students graduating from high school and successfully completing post-secondary education. At GRMS, we are working to strengthen those efforts and close the gap for our alumni.

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A 'graduation trinity'

When our eighth graders took the stage in June this year at Our Lady of Guadalupe church, they received their diplomas, looked forward to beginning high school, and marked a very special moment in the school's history. For the first time in the eleven years since the school's opening, GRMS celebrated the 'graduation trinity': eighth graders, high school seniors, and even college seniors. This accomplishment was a long time in the making.

Guadalupe Regional Middle School opened its doors in 2002 to families who desired a quality Catholic education for their children, but could not afford one. As a Nativity Miguel model school, GRMS raises funds throughout the year from the surrounding community to provide qualifying students with a three-year scholarship to attend the school. Students receive a college preparatory education that includes an extended school day, small classes, a mandatory daily study hall, and an optional twice-weekly evening study hall. In addition, students attend Catholic Mass once a week, daily religion class, and experience other opportunities for faith formation, central to GRMS's program.

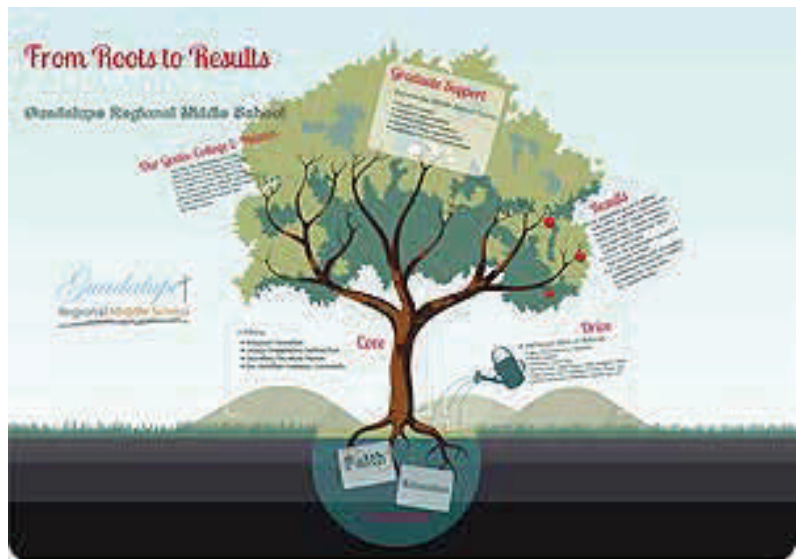
Twin goals

We have two main goals for our students and graduates – College and Heaven. Our commitment to students doesn't end once they move on to high school. We make an 11 year commitment to students when they enter the 6th grade. We are here to support them as they navigate through high school and work to see them to and through college by offering tutoring, college visits, help with their college and financial-aid applications, and help through other obstacles they may encounter.

GRMS students go on to a variety of high schools. Some receive generous scholarships from Saint Joseph Academy, a fellow Marist Brothers school. Others attend Science Academy, BECHS, Med-High, as well as the six BISD high schools. A GRMS alumnae on full scholarship at the prestigious Exeter Academy in New Hampshire received her high school diploma the very same weekend.

The school's first college graduate came a whole semester early. Erick Martinez (GRMS class of '05) graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Communications from the University of Texas at Brownsville in December of 2012.

It is a true testament to the tenacity of our students and their families. We have graduates who are now on the job hunt, some of them hoping to become teachers themselves. We wouldn't exist without them, our faculty, supporters and of course God. It is a wonderful thing to witness and be part of.



Michael Motyl, President, Guadalupe Regional Middle School, Brownsville, Texas
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EDMUND RICE CAMPS at BR. BEAUSANG CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTRE Embulbul, Kenya

In January, four Parade College students, Ryan, Jake, Justyn and me (Lucas Bourke) as well as our two teachers, Rachel Roche and David Moore, organised two camp days for the Brother Beausang class 7 and class 5 students. Parade College is a Brothers' school in Bundoora, Victoria, Australia.

This action packed and fun extravaganza took place on the weekend and the students were entertained by numerous activities held both indoors and outdoors. At the beginning of the day the students were divided into two teams, identified by a blue or red ribbon. To create team spirit the participants, and their assigned leader, were required to create a team name and a team chant. Team points were allocated to the most unique chant and name. The students participated in round robin activities and after lunch (consisting of meat, rice, and a soda) a mini-Olympics was held to decide the overall winner.

Students competed in an egg and spoon race, dodge ball, capture the flag and tunnel ball. Any of the students' competitive nature was eradicated when we danced and sang to draw a close on the day.

The key aim for each of the days was to create a fun and entertaining time for the Brother Beausang wanafunzi (students) and help them strengthen bonds amongst their classmates.

For us, the Parade College wanafunzi, the camp was about continuing the Parade College tradition of Edmund Rice camps. It was back in 1981 that the Eddie Rice camps were devised with Brother Frank O'Shea at our Bundoora school. These two days also helped us, the Parade College students, to develop our leadership skills, especially regarding the manner in which we explain instructions and demonstrate activities. We have been encouraged by our teachers to pursue a role in Eddie Rice camps when we return to Melbourne.

Lucas Bourke – Year 12 Parade College Student 2014
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COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Jacksonville, Florida



In November, thirty-eight Christian Brothers Community Leaders gathered in Jacksonville, Florida for the Edmund Rice Christian Brothers' biennial leadership conference.

ACTION STUDENT LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

St. John's, Florida



In September, sixty student leaders from eighteen Christian Brother s' schools from across North America (US and Canada) and South America (Argentina, Peru and Uruguay) gathered for the ACTION 2013 Leadership Workshop, a program of the North American Province's Office of Educational Services.

VOCATION PROGRAM

Rob Droel - Non-Residential Candidate Visits Brothers in New Orleans

Robert Droel, an Iona College (New Rochelle, NY) graduate who is at Catholic Theological in Chicago, is in the Brothers' Vocation Program as a non-residential candidate for the Congregation of Christian Brothers. He came to New Orleans at the invitation of the Brothers' community there to experience their mission and ministry. He arrived, on a delayed flight late on Saturday, February 1st and the Brothers introduced him to New Orleans culture with dinner at Ignatius, a favorite eatery on Magazine Street. Sunday he attended Mass with Br. Bob Koppes and Br. Charles Avendano at St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish in Pontchartrain Park and got a walk in with Br. John Casey in the afternoon. Sunday evening he spent some time at a gathering at the community hosted by the volunteers from the Brothers' Volunteer Program for other volunteers in New Orleans. On Monday, Rob spent the day with Br. Charles and on Tuesday spent some time with Br. Bob.

Rob's visit gave him the opportunity to shadow Brothers and volunteers and the chance to reflect on what he saw. Rob visited the "Lower 9th Ward", the most devastated area in the city even today; the population has not returned since Hurricane Katrina and large swaths of the area are empty. Br. Charles drove him around the French Quarter and on another day got him to experience the 30 mile long Causeway over Lake Pontchartrain. At the end of the week, Br. Charles took Rob to see Travis Wain's work and the three of them went to Café Reconcile where Br. Joe Fragala ministered for three years before his untimely death. The Café was renovated and upgraded dramatically with the support of the famous chef, Emeril Legasse and others. Br. Joe Fragala's picture is located so that he keeps his eye on the kitchen.



Rob Droel (L) and Br. Charles watching the Super Bowl.

Br. John Casey

Adapted from the Edmund in NOLA blog : <http://edmundinnola.blogspot.com>



UPDATE

250 Invitations for Edmund's 250th Birthday

Back in 2012, to mark the 250th anniversary of the birth of Blessed Edmund Rice founder of the Christian Brothers, we asked your help in inviting 250 men to consider becoming Brothers.

Today there are over 280 men who have been identified as having an interest in the possibility of following in Edmund's footsteps and becoming a Christian Brother.

The Brothers continue Edmund's ministry around the world.

If you know someone who you think might make a good Christian Brother, send his name and address, or e-mail address to:

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Chicago, IL 60655

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LIMYE LAFWA A - “THE LIGHT OF FAITH”

A reflection on my recent trip to Haiti

Brother Jim DePiro has been asked by the Province Leadership Team to spend an extended time in Haiti with the objective of establishing a Brothers’ ministry there. This is Br. DePiro’s first reflection on his mission.

On October 8, I boarded a plane with four others from the lay missionary group in Miami, Florida, Amor en Accion. Our destination was northwest Haiti – diocese of Port de Paix – to deliver school and medical supplies to a number of rural places. They have been assisting this poor diocese for almost 35 years now. The focus of this trip was twofold: to check on the “Tent School” project in Lormond, and to go to Dity to investigate their needs. Both were joy-filled experiences; smiles were abundant; gratitude was evident; our Lord was there.

After we arrived at Toussaint Louverture Airport in Port au Prince, we met our driver and headed up to Gros Morne via Wout Nef (New Route) through St. Marc and Gonaives. The Religious Sisters of Jesus and Mary have a community in this mountain town. They work closely with the Montfort Fathers in educational, health and nutritional programs. After lunch, we headed up to Basin Bleue to meet with Père Gregoire. This young priest is pastor of the church in town and is also responsible for a handful of mission chapels and schools in the hills. He tells us of the schools and chapels in disrepair; in three years, he expects them to be totally in disuse. We then head to Port de Paix where we meet Père William who drives us through St. Louis du Nord to his parish in Anse a Foleur. This small town is only accessible by driving along dark roads through riverbeds. When it rains for an hour, one cannot get in or out.



On Wednesday, Père William takes for a hike inside and outside of this small town. It is a poverty filled location where children in the streets are not in school because, as Father said, there isn’t enough room in the national school and churches cannot afford to establish any. A sad sight indeed. At one point, Père William pointed to an empty lot just outside of town and said, “The brothers can live here.” The day was capped off with a church filled for a Worship and Praise Service, Exposition and Noon Mass. The faith of the people is simple, but real and alive!

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On Thursday, we started out at 6:45 a.m. on our walk into the mountains around Anse a Foleur to a small village called Dity. Our location: the chapel and school of St. Joachim. The three hour hike was not a lonely one for all the locals traveled to and from some place. You see, the hills are filled with people; we even met many young people on the way to school. Unfortunately, most schools only go up to grade 5 or 8 since high school requires a lot more resources – money and training. Children who want to further their education need



to go to other larger towns where they oftentimes board with families and work to pay room and board. This is known in Haiti as “restavek” (Creole for ‘stay with’) and it oftentimes leads to child exploitation, and even slavery. This hike brought us up some inclines and crossings of riverbeds. We passed a few markets, mountain villages, some farms and certainly a lot of people walking to or from someplace. We were all moved tremendously by the needs of this mountain chapel and school that it was decided to undertake a building project for Père William. These children should not have to go to school in a shack made of tin and wood! We handed out school supplies to each child and told them to be sure to study, listen to their teachers and be faithful. At the end of our stay, the children followed us across one of the rivers to the edge of the village and sang a farewell song.

Later that day, we headed to Port de Paix to meet with the Bishop and the director of schools for the diocese of Port de Paix. Then we moved on to a town called Jean Rabel. This rural community has an active religious and church presence. Again, the Montfort Fathers and the Religious Sisters of Jesus and Mary work together to see to the needs of the people. The Sisters are training the local people in everything from teacher training to hand crafts as a means of employment. Digicel – the cell phone company in Haiti – is undergoing campaigns to build or rebuild schools in the needy areas of the country. The Sisters are involved in one in a village called Collette, just outside Jean Rabel.

On Saturday, we headed to a small town called Bombardapolis. “Bombard,” as it is referred to by the locals, is hit severely by drought and lack of food. Last winter, the pastor told us, many families died of starvation. Lack of rain, proper farming techniques and storage capabilities contribute to this perennial problem. On the parish grounds is a well built by an NGO from the Czech Republic. Children, oftentimes dragging wheel barrels and buckets, come to the well several times daily to access water for their families.



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We stayed in Bombard Saturday night and moved onto a small desert-like town called Baie de Henne which is on the southern coast of the Northwest Department. This town is so out of the way that even government services are lacking. Père Paul told us that the doctor paid by the government and the mayor don't even live in town. The National Police have trouble getting people to go there! The pastor told me that he wanted this parish when assigned several years ago and has found it a tremendous spiritual reward. As pastor, he is spiritual advisor, city leader, ambulance driver, etc. The parish school – the only school in town – can boast 100% passing rate on the grade 5 national exams!



sisters' chapel. English, Spanish, French, Creole and Latin were all used at some point. A truly catholic celebration!

On Monday, we headed to Lormand to see the "Tent School". Construction began last spring to replace the UNICEF tent that was used as a school with a permanent structure. With donations and volunteer work from an engineer/architect from Port au Prince, Amor en Accion saw to the building of this school. As we came up on the school, tears of joy filled our eyes as we saw the joy on the children's and teachers' faces. Some parents of the students even came by to say thank you. All of the children piled into one room to begin their program of appreciation and gratitude. After we gave out our supplies, the children and adults began a series of songs and dances; it was one of the best thank you's I ever received.

We ended the evening, as we did each night we were there, in prayer. We shared our experiences and we thanked God for what we were able to learn and receive from the people we saw that day.

On Tuesday morning, we headed back to Port au Prince to catch our flight back to Miami. The eight days were nothing less than a tremendous blessing for me. The journey was not about what I brought to the people of this poor rural part of Haiti, but more of what I received while there. In our preferential option for working for the poor and marginalized in our world, we see Jesus. I saw him in this journey and I brought him back. For me, the faith of the people is the light on the hill, and it cannot be hidden.



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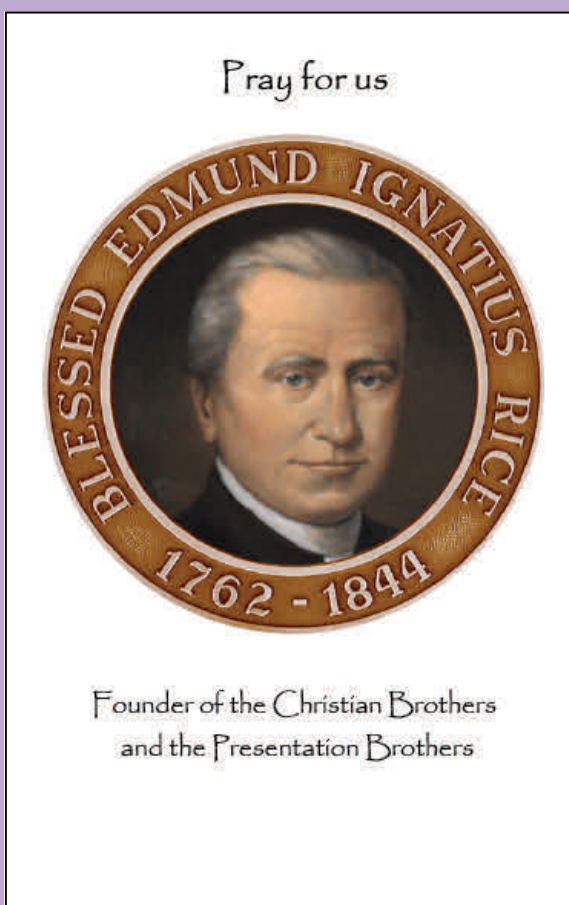
Class 1 at Samalete. The school year commenced on January 6th. If a starter had fired a gun to begin the year he would have to have fired several times to convince the participants to get out of the blocks. However, teachers as well as students did finally get into classrooms. We have added considerably to the number of students in our three schools this year. The 8 TEKA's (Preschools) also have their hands full with extra pupils. Our offers of help to those families who struggle to buy uniforms, exercise books, pens, school bags etc for their children has resulted in additional children enrolling in our school at Deleco in the hope of being helped by Commuidad Edmund Rice. Generous donations from the Sisters of Charity in Sydney have helped fill this need. This is one of the harsh times of the year as new crops, such as corn and rice, are not ready yet, the coffee beans will not be ready for another 2 months and so food is scarce and there is little financial income.



Br. David Standen

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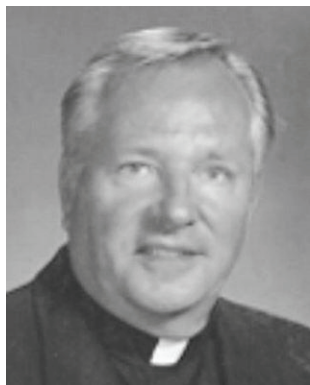
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Brother John Adams, C.F.C.

1942-2013



Brother John Adams (James) C.F.C. passed away November 14, 2013. Brother Adams graduated from Bergen Catholic High School (Paramus, NJ). He entered the Congregation on July 5, 1959. He graduated from Iona College and served as a teaching brother for the next 54 years. Brother Adams taught in St. Cecelia (New York, NY), Rice High School (New York, NY), Power Memorial Academy (New York, NY), and Bergen Catholic. For the past 27 years he has been at Iona Preparatory School (New Rochelle, NY) teaching Math and as yearbook supervisor. He also served as Bursar during his time at Iona. His life was dedicated to his students and the Christian Brothers.

Brother Donald Paul Dwyer , C.F.C.

1929-2013



Brother Donald Paul Dwyer passed away on December 13, 2013. He entered the Congregation of Christian Brothers on June 30, 1947 taking his first vows on December 25, 1948 and final vows on June 27, 1955. After attending Our Lady of Mercy Elementary School and Cardinal Hayes High School in the Bronx, he received his BA in History from Iona College (New Rochelle, NY). Br. Dwyer went on to receive an MA in History from the University of San Francisco (San Francisco, CA), an MA in English from the University of Notre Dame (Notre Dame, IN), and an MA in Theology from Maryknoll.

His ministry took him to many positions including Rice High School (Bronx, NY), Briscoe School (Kent, WA), Cantwell High School (Montebello, CA), Boys Central High School (Butte, MT), O'Dea High School (Seattle, WA), Essex Catholic High School (Newark, NJ), Catholic Memorial High School (West Roxbury, MA), Edmund Rice Hall (New Rochelle, NY) as Superior, Deputy Provincial, Eastern American Province, Iona College (New Rochelle, NY), Councilor, Eastern American Province, Tertianship Renewal Program (Rome, Italy), and St. Patrick's Provincialate Community (New Rochelle, NY).



Brother Patrick Clement Leavy, C.F.C.

1941-2013



Brother Patrick Clement Leavy C.F.C. passed away on September 26, 2013. Brother Leavy received a BA in Classical Language from Iona College (New Rochelle, NY), his MA in guidance from Seton Hall University (South Orange Village, NJ), and his HD in Religious Education from Marcelino Champagnat (Lima, Perú).

Brother Leavy entered the Congregation of Christian Brothers on July 2, 1958 and pronounced his final vows on June 27, 1966. His ministry took him to many positions including Bishop Kearney High School (Rochester, NY), St. Joseph's Academy (Antigua), All Hallows High School (Bronx, NY), Essex High School (Newark, NJ), Rice High School (New York, NY), Bergen Catholic High School (Oradell, NJ),

Power Memorial Academy (New York, NY), Col Mundo Mejor-Herm High School (Peru), Bishop Hendricken High School (Warwick, RI), Blessed Sacrament High School (New Rochelle, NY), Col Nuestra Sen Pilar-Herm High School (Peru), Special Assignment in Liberia West Africa, St. Joseph's Residency (New Rochelle, NY), Director of Mission Education (New Rochelle, NY), Iona College Community (New Rochelle, NY), Iona Preparatory School and Community (New Rochelle, NY), Tertianship (Rome, Italy), Notre Dame-Bishop Gibbons Community (Schenectady, NY), Los Hermanos Community (Bonita Springs, FL), St. Raymond's Parish (Bronx, NY), Christian Brothers Santa Maria Community (West Park, NY), Coleman Catholic High School (Kingston, NY), Director of Diaconate Program (St. Thomas, VI), St. Eugene de Mazano (Brownsville, TX), St. Matthew's Parish (Phoenix, AZ), and St. Mary's Academy (Dominica, West Indies).

Brother Lawrence Jude Mooney, C.F.C.

1934-2013



Brother Lawrence Jude Mooney passed away on November 16, 2013. Br. Mooney entered the Congregation of Christian Brothers on September 5, 1951 taking his first vows on September 8, 1953 and final vows on June 27, 1960. After attending Rice High School (New York, NY), he received his BS in Chemistry from Iona College (New Rochelle, NY) in 1956 and his MS in Chemistry from the Notre Dame University (Notre Dame, IN) in 1966.

His ministry took him to many positions including Holy Cross School (St. John's, Canada), Br. Rice School (Chicago, IL), Iona Preparatory School (New Rochelle, NY), Boys Central High School (Butte, MT), Tertianship Renewal Program (Rome, Italy), Damien Memorial High School (Honolulu, HI), Leo High School (Chicago, IL), St. Lawrence High School (Burbank, IL), Western American Province Novitiate Community (Joliet, IL), Br. Rice High School (Birmingham, MI), Christian Brothers Formation Center (Chicago, IL), St. Boniface High School (Kimberley, South Africa), Waterford Formation Community (Mt. Vernon, NY), and St. Joseph's Residence (New Rochelle, NY). Brother Mooney was Provincial of the Br. Rice Province (western United States) of the Christian Brothers.

Brother John Austin Pettit, C.F.C.

1938-2013

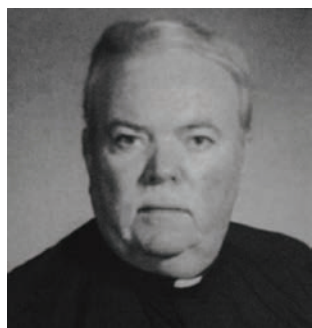


Brother John Austin Pettit passed away on October 11, 2013 at Providence Mount St. Vincent's Care Center, Seattle. Upon graduation from Power Memorial Academy (New York, NY) in 1956, he entered the Christian Brothers' Santa Maria Novitiate in (West Park, NY). He received the Habit of Religion on September 1, 1956. Later he professed his perpetual vows on June 27, 1963. Br. Pettit received his bachelor's degree in history from Iona College (New Rochelle, NY). He later obtained a Med degree in biology from Gonzaga University (Spokane, WA) and a certificate in alcohol and drug counseling from Seattle University (Seattle, WA).

His teaching assignments included stays in Vancouver (British Columbia, Canada), Montebello (CA), Phoenix (AZ), and Seattle (WA). He had been assigned to O'Dea High School (Seattle, WA) from 1980-88 and from 1994 to the present. He served as Community Leader on two occasions: St. John's Indian School and O'Dea High School. During his teaching career he taught history and biology and worked at a variety of assignments in the schools.

Brother Michael Felix Sheridan, C.F.C.

1943-2014



Brother Michael Felix Sheridan C.F.C. passed away on February 5, 2014. Brother Sheridan entered the Congregation of Christian Brothers on July 3, 1961 taking his first vows on September 8, 1962 and final vows on June 27, 1968. After attending Rice High School (New York, NY) he received his BA in Spanish from Iona College (New Rochelle, NY) in 1967. Br. Sheridan went on to receive an MA in Education from Seton Hall University (South Orange Village, NJ) in 1975.

His ministry took him to many positions including St. Cecilia's Elementary School and Power Memorial Academy in New York City, Catholic Memorial High School (West Roxbury, MA), All Hallows School (Bronx, NY), and Bergen Catholic High School (Oradell, NJ). He retired to the Christian Brothers' Residence, East Harlem, NY and later resided at St. Joseph's Residence, New Rochelle, NY.



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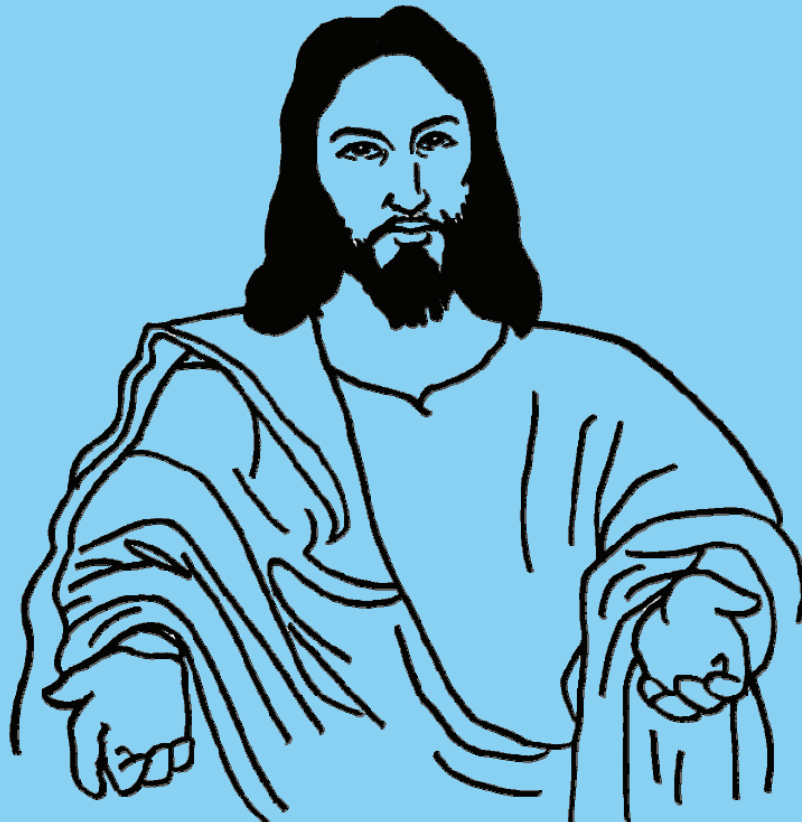
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