



# Province News



*SPEAK, LORD, YOUR SERVANTS ARE LISTENING*

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**CAST YOUR NETS TO THE SEA**

*Br. Robert L. Droel, CFC*

**Edmund Rice Christian Brothers North America**

LIVE JESUS IN OUR HEARTS

OBEDIENCE • CHASTITY • POVERTY • PRESENCE • COMPASSION • LIBERATION

FOREVER

Born: 1989 Baptized: 1990 Confirmed: 2003 Candidacy: 2011 Novitiate: 2017 First Vows: 2018

**PROFESSION OF PERPETUAL VOWS**

Saturday, October 19, 2024 Ministry: Timothy & Richard, San Ego's, companion 2:00 p.m.



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On Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024, brothers, family and friends gathered at the Church of the Holy Family in New Rochelle, New York to celebrate the Profession of Perpetual Vows by Brother Robert Droel. The principal celebrant for the Liturgy was Father Gerard Mulvey, OFM, Chaplain of Iona University. Brother Kevin Bernard (Formation Director) welcomed the assembly. The Iona University Music Ministry led the congregation in celebrating this milestone in the life of Robert, the Congregation and the Province.

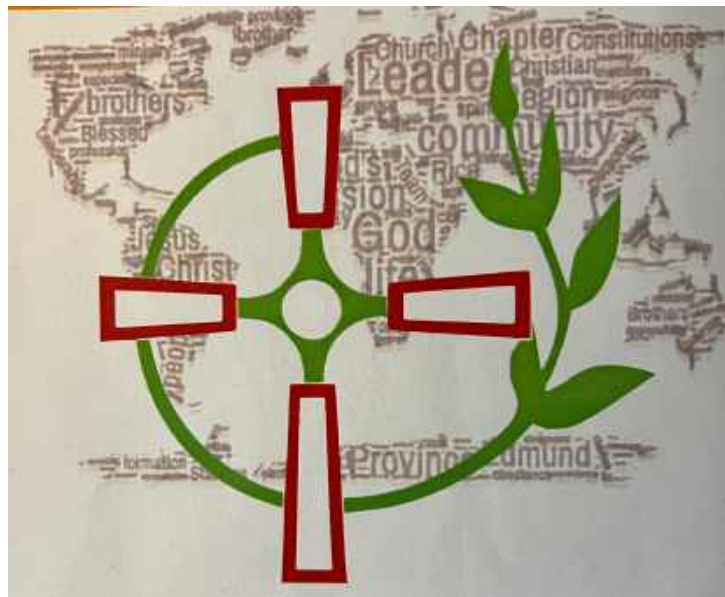
Brother John Casey, Congregation Leader, witnessed and accepted Robert's Profession in front of the large assembly. Brother Peter Zawot, Province Leader, spoke on behalf of the Brothers of the Province. After the signing and statement of admission the assembled Brothers each in turn congratulated Robert while singing the Salve Regina. Following the congratulations the Congregation Leadership Team and Province Leadership Team read the Prayers of the Faithful.

Following the Liturgy the assembled travelled to the Iona Preparatory School to enjoy a wonderful reception hosted by the Iona Preparatory School Community. Special Thanks to Brother Tom Leto and the Community for hosting. At the reception, Master of Ceremonies Brother Steve Casey brought greetings from the brothers in Latin America and led the group in Grace. After a wonderful meal, Robert thanked all those in attendance for their presence, love and support on his journey to this day.



**Brother Robert Louis Droel**

The Brothers of the Province and indeed the Congregation congratulates Robert on this momentous occasion and imparts on him our prayers and blessings as he continues his journey as an Edmund Rice Christian Brother.







**Brother Robert pronouncing his  
Perpetual Vows**



**The Iona University Music Ministry leading the  
congregation.**



**Brother Peter Zawot  
Province Leader**



**Brother John Casey  
Congregation Leader**



**(l to r) Brother John Casey, Brother Robert Droel,  
Father Gerard Mulvey**



**(l to r) Brothers Senan D'Souza, David Ryan Silva, Robert Droel, John Casey, Hugo Cáceres**

