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Brothers in Syracuse Begin Ministry with Inner City Programs

Since January of this year two Brothers of the Sacred Heart have been living in Syracuse, NY working closely with the **Franciscan Collaborative Ministries (FCM)**.

Br. Ronald and Br. Michael have been living in a small two bedroom apartment just next door to FCM. The Brothers have been exploring possibilities in Syracuse and have found that the needs are great.

A few of the already established and successful programs in the area are the **Brady Faith Center** and Pen & Pages. Here adults

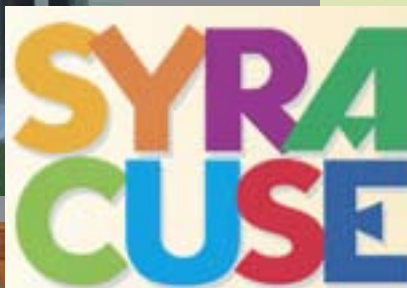
follow at risk students in their classrooms during the day and tutor the students after school. The Brothers in Syracuse are hoping to establish a similar program themselves beginning next school year.

A third Brother of the Sacred Heart, Br. Bill Cawley (pictured below, top right), will be joining Br. Ronald & Br. Michael sometime later this summer.

Please pray for these Brothers and for our new ministry to youth in Syracuse.



Serving Youth in 32 Countries Around the World



BRADYCENTER. Br. Ronald Talbot, SC, tutors a student after school at the **Brady Faith Center** in Syracuse.

PEN & PAGES. Br. Michael Migacz SC, tutors a student after school at the Pen & Pages Tutorial Center



Feast of the Sacred Heart Celebrated June 15

The Heart of Jesus

Christ in our Life

(Rule of Life 112)

Our founders made us heirs of their devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

And so Christ, in his mystery of love, holds first place in our life as Brothers of the Sacred Heart.

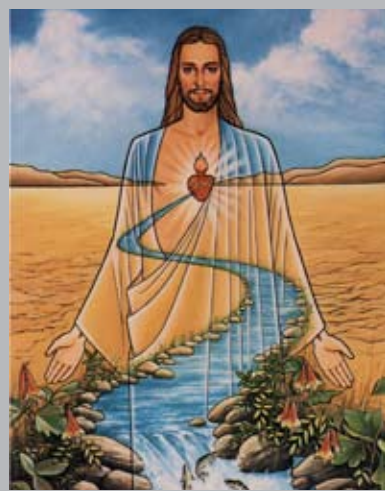
He is our reference point and the center of our motivations, just as he is the very principle of our total self-offering and of our apostolic action.



STATUE. The statue of the Sacred Heart behind St. Stanislaus High School (Bay St. Louis, MS). The statue that survived Katrina!

On June 15 the church celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a feast day that originated from the private revelations of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque between 1673-1675, who was a nun with the Order of the Visitation Sisters of Our Lord.

Our founder, Father Andre Coindre preached and acted upon the spirit of compassion that Jesus exemplified through his own life. By responding to the abandoned youth in the city of Lyon, Father Coindre gave of himself, of his own heart. The Brothers of the Sacred Heart are called to respond just as Father Coindre, just as Jesus did. This same spirit of compassion is what motivates the Brothers today.



“Love for love, life for life. All our hearts belong to God!” Ah, these poor hearts of ours! Would that they were as deep as the chasms in the sea so as to love you with the most ardent love! May we be so filled with love that we reflect love back to you. May we abandon ourselves to your love!

Fr. Andre Coindre,
Founder of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart

Time for the Street Children

Br Marcus Turcotte is beginning his third year at Shitima School where he teaches reading through computers. He has an extensive children’s library which is recognized as one of the better libraries in Kabwe for early reading education; the books were donations from primary schools in the Rhode Island area. Br. Marcus is very proud of his achievements. The new facilities has a room for this program.

Br. Marcus’ love of education and his love for the children speak volumes. The new Director of the school, Br. Fabien Banda is pleased to work with Br. Marcus. He notes that Br. Marcus is a hard worker, and loves the children.

The transition has been filled with challenges but also with the knowledge that a seed has been planted and Br. Robert Shitima School is taking shape. Br. Marcus has always loved challenges and this type of work.



SHITIMA. Br. Marcus Turcotte with a student at the Br. Robert Shitima School in Kabwe, Zambia.



Brothers in the News from around the United States

At the Window

Lord,
may the apostolic
zeal of
Andre Coindre
challenge our
indifference,
so that as we see so
many needy youths
and children
from the windows
of our
comfortable houses,
so we may
be a witness to them
by our life.

Father, through
your Son,
we ask that
we like him
may be pierced
by the pain
and cries of the
young who are
hoping for a full and
meaningful life.

(Br. Felipe Albaina, Peru)

[click here for more prayers](#)



SPRING HILL. Br. Neal Golden receives the Gautrelet Award at Spring Hill College.

Br. Neal Golden, a long time Brother Martin High School (New Orleans, LA) Faculty member, was recently presented the Gautrelet Award by Spring Hill College (Mobile, AL). This award “recognizes an alumnus or non-alumnus of high integrity who has demonstrated outstanding professional achievement.

The following are the opening remarks from Br. Neal upon receiving the award: “In 1847, five Jesuits from France arrived in Mobile to take possession of Spring Hill College. Fr. Francis Gautrelet became the first Jesuit president that year. The same boat that transported the first Jesuits to Mobile also brought the first five Brothers of the Sacred Heart from France to the New World. Like the Jesuits, the brothers were recruited by Bishop Michael Portier in his native country. The brothers took control of St. Vincent’s Orphanage.”

“The Jesuits and the Brothers of the Sacred Heart continue to serve the Church in Mobile to this day.”

One of the most prestigious honors bestowed on an individual at Bishop Guertin High School (Nashua, NH) is the Father Andre Coindre Award. This award, named after the founder of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart, is presented periodically to a member of the Bishop Guertin community who embodies the ideals of Father Coindre.

This year Bishop Guertin presented the Father Andre Coindre Award to Br. Larry Beaunoyer for his consistent and dedicated service to the community at large. Br Larry is the manager of the bookstore, an assistant in the library, a mentor to students and a role model for teachers.



FATHER COINDRE AWARD. Br. Larry Beaunoyer strikes a familiar pose in the bookstore.



COR JESU AWARD. Br. Robert Ziobro (3rd from right) receives the Cor Jesu Award at the 50th Anniversary Celebration & Presidents Dinner from Msgr. McClany Memorial High School in East Elmhurst, New York

Br. Robert Ziobro was presented with the Cor Jesu Award at Msgr. McClany High School’s 50th Anniversary Celebration & President’s Dinner.

Br. Robert taught Religion, French, English, Sociology and Psychology. He has also ministered as a guidance counselor, student council moderator, Mother’s Club moderator and Dean of Freshmen.

As the Handball Coach, he was named Coach of the Year by the CHSAA.

As a Brother in the New York Province, Br. Robert served as vocation director for 25 years and served as

the volunteer coordinator for 5 years. During the last 10 years, Br. Robert has served as the Director of Religious Education at several parishes.





Br. Patrick Spends Month in Haiti



Br. Patrick Cousins, a Campus Minister at **St. Louis University**, traveled to Haiti during the month of June. Br. Patrick lived with the community of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart in the Province of Haiti. He spent the time brushing up on his French and learning about our brothers work in the country. Br. Patrick is exploring the possibility of offering a mission experience to Haiti next summer.

You can read more about his trip to Haiti on his blog at brpatricksblog.blogspot.com.



“My emotions have had a chance to play in such a new environment, so I have stepped back and watched them. The house is like the Brothers’ place at Loreto in Zimbabwe, so it feels homey already, but I still need to acclimatize. It’s really hot here, and there’s not much air conditioning anywhere, so I’ve been sweating almost continually since I got here. I am lost in admiration of the beauty of this place, despite the obvious poverty - mountains that butt right up to the Caribbean, rolling countryside and big blue skies - but in other quiet moments the thought of three weeks of “sink-or-swim” French has produced that vaguely unpleasant sensation that comes from suddenly realizing that sinking is a possibility.”



Via Crucis Now Online (Click anywhere in this section)

Our spirituality begins at the foot of the cross (R 14). André Coindre was a member of the Society of the Cross. In one of his sermons he quotes Saint Augustine: “The cross is a school where Jesus teaches, a pulpit where he announces all the truths of salvation.” In his own eloquent way and with a cross in his hands he preaches to those gathered in a parish mission, “This cross will preach to you instead of me and will reveal that salvation is your only and necessary treasure. A lance pierced this Heart and this wound was meant to touch your own heart.”



New Website for St. Francis High School in Malole, Zambia

A new website has been created for **St. Francis High School** in Malole, Zambia. St. Francis is a school operated by the **Province of Eastern and Southern Africa**. The web address is www.stfrancismalole.com.

The website will be updated this July with more sections including news and links.



Project Respond Departs July 11 for Zambia Mission Trip

The Brothers, faculty and students from our school in England, **St. Columba’s College**, have been supporting **St. Francis High School** for the last ten years through Project Respond.

This year ten students from **St. Columba’s** and one student from **Catholic High in Baton Rouge** will join Brothers and faculty members on the trip to Malole. Our project this year will be to put up mosquito netting above the kids beds, an essential piece of equipment to help prevent malaria.

Our hope is to expand this mission experience next year to more students in the U.S.



CHS Students Lead Bible School at St. Anne's Mission

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Students from **Catholic High** in Baton Rouge, LA lead the children from **St. Anne's Mission Parish** in Klagetoh, AZ in a Bible School. About 40 Navajo children participated in the week long program.

The high school students with the help of **St. Anne's Mission** parishioners lead the children in classes on scripture, music, arts and crafts, and P.E. On the final day of classes the students and children performed a program for parents which included skits and music.



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CHILDREN. The children of teachers at **St. Francis High School** in Malole, Zambia do not shy away from smiling.

