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New Front Entrance to St. George Manor
The last phase of our capital campaign repairs has finally become a reality. The front entrance to the Manor is now handicapped accessible. Much work had to be done before this dream became a reality such as permits from the city, hiring the proper contractors to accomplish the numerous tasks and making sure that our statue of Saint Joseph remained in place. This statue of St. Joseph was donated to us by Monsignor Devoie some eighty years ago. He gave us this statue so that Saint Joseph would protect the Sisters living on this property and that he would see that we would always have the finances to support the needs of this building.

Some of the new additions include the main entrance that is level with the driveway (no stairs to climb), automatic doors, a canopy over the horseshoe drive and flowers to enhance the beauty of the entrance.

Once again through the intercession of Saint Joseph and your generosity and prayers the front entrance is beautiful and practical.

Know that we are most grateful to each and everyone of you. Rest assured that you, your families and all of your intentions are remembered in our daily prayers and in a special Mass said for all of you on the 27th of each month.

Gratefully,
Sister Jacqueline Brodeur, CSC
Sister Suzanne Levesque, CSC
Some thirty young West African women are standing today on the shoulders of Canadian, American, Jamaican and Haitian Sisters of Holy Cross. These latter women themselves were standing on the shoulders of the French and Canadian women who were the first of Father Moreau’s daughters in what became, in St. Laurent, Canada, the Congregation of the Sisters of Holy Cross.

The first Holy Cross Sisters to go to West Africa were sent to Mali in 1980. About twenty-four years later, they founded a mission in the neighboring country of Burkina Faso. There is a little historical note here that we like to remember when we share, in Africa, about the origins of Holy Cross: it is to Africa, specifically to Algeria, just north of Mali that Fr. Moreau sent the first contingent of Holy Cross missionaries beyond the borders of France. Holy Cross brothers and priests were there, in Africa, even before the birth of the women of Holy Cross. We are proud to be standing on their shoulders, too.

The first two West African women to make final vows in Africa had begun the newly-established postulancy program in Sikasso, Mali in 2007. More than twenty-eight others have followed them over the years. In Mali today, they are in charge of a residence for girls who come from different villages to the city of Sikasso to go to high school. In Burkina Faso, they are involved in a junior-senior high school where a bishop asked Holy Cross to open and administer. In both countries, these Holy Cross women are very much involved with parish groups of all kinds and some in nursing. Four of our West African CSC’s are at studies in Canada; one ministers in Chile; and four are ministering and/or studying in Haiti. Three are first-year novices in Peru and three were recently admitted to the novitiate and will be going to St. Laurent soon to prepare for that experience by getting to know Holy Cross there at its Canadian roots while beginning to learn Spanish, the language used in the international novitiate in Lima.

Earth Mama’s song “Standing on the Shoulders” reminds us that these young women “are stronger for the courage of those on whose shoulders they stand, and wiser also for their words. They are honored, she sings, by their passion…” And what is that passion; what was the passion of those who came before them? The passion for a life totally consecrated to the following of Jesus,
to proclaiming his Gospel in word and in deed, to living his mission until death and even in death. And this, in community with other women called to Consecrated Life.

The shoulders of these West African Sisters of Holy Cross will definitely be there, as again Earth Mama sings, to hold the ones who will follow them. Those who follow them will be standing on the shoulders of strong and courageous women. Yes, “They are saints and they are humans, they are angels, they are friends.” Yes, the Holy Cross they will create will undoubtedly be different; they will express their passion in the way they must. But for having lived, worked, and prayed with them over a great number of years, I feel sure that Holy Cross will be beautiful in yet a new way and that God will be wonderfully glorified by these women who will have stood on our shoulders and then on theirs.

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CELEBRATING OUR JUBILARIANS

Sunday May 19, 2019

Front row L. Sr. Cecile Lebeau, Sr. Mary-Elizabeth Leonard, Sr. Pauline Labrie, Sr. Janine Blanchard, Sr. Therese Poirier, Sr. Patricia St.Hilaire

L. Sr. Suzanne Levesque
R. Sr. Mary Jalbet

Presider: Reverend Roland Cote;
Assisting: Reverend Maurice Roy from St. Albans, VT

A blessing bestowed on each jubilarian.

L. Sr. Françoise DeMers
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Associates of Holy Cross from Vermont coming to celebrate with Sr. Patricia St. Hilaire and Sr. Cecile Lebeau, who were the last Sisters to serve in Vermont.
CONGRATULATIONS SISTER JACQUELINE VERVILLE, CSC
By Pauline Maurier, CSC

On June 8th, at the annual dinner of the Granite State Organizing Project (GSOP), Sister Jacqueline was presented the Sister Dorothy Cormier Memorial Micah in Community Action Hero Award. This award is given in the spirit of a verse from the Hebrew Scriptures, Micah 6:8 “And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with your God.” Sr. Jacqueline, a lifelong educator and inspirational leader, has exemplified this bible verse and has lived the motto of the Sisters of Holy Cross, "Liberation through Education".

Sister Jacqueline taught at all levels of education for more than 52 years. In 2010, in what should have been the beginning of her “retirement years”, she launched the Holy Cross Family Learning Center on the west side of Manchester. This center welcomes over a hundred adult immigrants and refugees from around the world each year. With the help of many volunteer retired school teachers, the Center offers classes in English as a Second Language, computer literacy, sewing and civics. Furthermore, these men and women are provided with experiences and opportunities to help them join the work force and become engaged citizens of our community.

Sister Jacqueline’s recent illness has led her to pass the baton to other faithful leaders at the Learning Center. The Sisters of Holy Cross are thankful and proud of the legacy she leaves behind and of the path she has carved out for those who continue the significant ministry of helping immigrants and refugees rebuild their lives in our country.

Announcing: A Day of Enrichment
October 26, 2019 from 9:30-12:30
Presenter: Sister Margaret Galiardi, OP

Holy Cross Center, 357 Island Pond Road, Manchester, NH
Evolution of Consciousness;
Putting on the Mind/Heart of Christ for the Life of the World

Sr. Margaret is a Dominican Sister who has lectured nationally on ecological theology and spirituality, the “New Story and the Christian Story”, and on the work of Thomas Berry. She has written for the National Catholic Reporter’s Global Sisters Report and has presented “Where Pure Water Flows: the New Story of the Universe and Christian Faith.”

She writes: “Brian Swimme, director of the Center for the Story of the Universe, tells us that evolution is no longer being driven by the internal dynamics of the planet but rather by the symbolic consciousness of the human.” As Christians living in a world of diverse cultures and spiritual paths, Margaret explores how we deeply pursue our own tradition so that we become the heart/mind of the Christ for a blest yet broken world.

Suggested Donation $15
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