

BROTHER VISITOR'S NEWSLETTER

19 May 2026



AV Chris Brady joined the Los Angeles community in singing *Honneur à Toi* in front of the CHS school community

PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR

- In thanksgiving for the Lasallian charism and vocation we share;
- For peace in our hearts, our communities, and our world;
- In thanksgiving for our benefactors;
- That our graduating seniors make wise choices;
- Those in need of healing; especially Bosco Truong, Bernie LoCoco, Brian Dybowski, Ron Roggenback, Michael French (MW), Perry Martin's mother,
- Families dealing with addiction;
- The needs of our Brothers in formation.



Bosco Truong with his younger sister in the Mont La Salle rose garden

My travels and assorted news...

Because the Holy Family Community has nineteen members, I made only the first part of my official visit with them last week. **Bill Hughes** remains committed to regular exercise, feeding the hummingbirds, managing the balcony garden, and maximizing recycling in the community. Despite some arthritis, **Emmet Sinitiere** is not slowing down. He still bikes to relax, keeps the community stocked with refreshments, puts in a full day in the archives managing the legacy NOSF files, and is committed to daily mental prayer. **Richard Orona** strives to keep conversations lively during socials and at meals. He's facing health challenges with a hopeful disposition. **Joseph Pham** remains an inspiration to all as he serves the community despite his ALS diagnosis. He is the sacristan, volunteers every morning in the archives, and is a model for faithful zeal. The community appreciates all that the director, **Lawrence Haley**, does for them. They recognize his thoughtfulness, servant heart, and willingness to stop to listen. He is always in motion, positive, and disciplined about finding a healthy balance in his life. The secret to **John O'Neill's** joy is his commitment to prayer, spiritual reading, and a focus on keeping healthy and active. I'll continue this report next week.

“Do not be afraid. Go on speaking, and do not be silent, for I am with you.” Acts 18:10

Traveled to Yakima to be with the **Dan Morgan** and **Javi Hansen** for a few days. Attended Founder's Day Mass with the reverent student body. There were seven diocesan seminarians in attendance. One, who is Vietnamese, asked me if I knew Phong whom he's seen at Marian gatherings and at conferences. He was impressed that I knew him! There is a tradition of a morning of community service by students. They return for a *carne asada* prepared by the maintenance crew and an afternoon of relaxed games and fun. Former president Tim McGree was present and sent his greetings. **Joseph Pham**, **Richard Orona**, **GVG** and I drove down to San Jose on Sunday morning to join the San Jose Lasallian Vietnamese community to celebrate our Founder. The Lasallian Sisters of Vietnam celebrated their 60th anniversary of their founding. Sister **Ann Julienne** celebrated her 50th jubilee. Many Sisters, former students, and former Brothers warmly greeted Joseph. **Fortunat Phong**, **Simon Hoang**, **Peter Phu**, **Valery An**, **Mark Murphy**, and **Antony Doss** were also in attendance. Several of the local Tamil community who have been a great support to Antony attended the event and were impressed by the cultural celebration and the vibrant community.



While he was in Rome, David received his Auxiliary Visitor Obedience from Armin Luistro

Miscellaneous...

Chris Brady flew down to Cathedral HS in LA to receive **Halen Gamino's** annual vows. This was done during the all-school Founder's Mass. Halen believes that such a public pronouncement gives witness to the students. The MW District reports that **Michael French** (MW) is improving. While they cannot remove his trach yet so that he can speak, he is responsive to yes and no questions. He's expressed his thanks for all the prayers and cards. I give a shout out to the Christian Brothers School Alumni Association (NOLA) for annually have Masses said for legacy NOSF Brothers on their birthdays. It's a very touching and thoughtful tradition. Former Brother and longtime CBHS Sacramento teacher **Fred Quantomatteo** passed away this past week. The Brothers Chapel at SHCP is brightened up with new paint and new lighting. It's transformed the sacred space.



Mel, John, Brian, Tom, Laurence, and Bill welcomed PT Peggy Larochelle back to work after her surgery



92-year-old Peter deGroot faithfully watering his favorite poppies



In San Jose with Sister Thérèse, Superior General of the Lasallian Sisters of Vietnam



Acting President Dan Morgan with alumnus, Paul Hudson, La Salle Yakima's next principal



Halen Gamino and Chris Brady sign the register after pronouncing annual vows



Steven Vasoli spoke on a panel during the formation gathering in Rome

“You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1:8

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