

Remembering Reginald Foster

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Remembering Reggie – A Remembrance by Fr. Daniel P. McCarthy, OSB



He's m' brother

At Christmas time, when I was a child, my family would watch the 1938 movie *Boys Town*, which tells of Fr. Flanagan founding the orphanage in 1917 now located in the western suburbs of Omaha. The movie came to its climax as an older boy, Reuben Granger, was walking up the stairs while carrying on his back a younger boy, Howard Loomis, crippled by polio and weighed down by heavy leg braces. When Fr. Flanagan asked if carrying Howard was hard, Reuben responded:

He ain't heavy, Father ... he's m' brother!^[1]