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## September 2006

### Question:

Dear Abbot Pennings,

I've heard so much about ghosts on campus, especially in the current bookstore (formally St. Boniface). Any truth to these rumors?

### Answer:

Two light-hearted ghosts in white have been noticed by many people throughout the years including bookstore employees. Some folks have even heard organ music playing. Coincidentally, in November of 1977, two beloved Norbertine priests died in the church rectory, the Rev. Freddie Becker, O.Praem., and the Rev. David Rondou, O.Praem.

Father Freddie died unexpectedly and within 24 hours, Father David, consumed with grief, also passed away. Perhaps the playfulness and goodness of these two priests continues to live on in the former St. Boniface church. *(Please note that given the number of questions about campus ghosts, it is my intent to write about other spirits in future columns.)*

*Responses to "Ask the Abbot" questions are penned by St. Norbert College staff in the name of Abbot Bernard Pennings, O.Praem., who founded St. Norbert College in 1898.*



### Ask the Abbot

As the founder of St. Norbert College, and having a prime seat in the center of campus throughout the years, I, Abbot Bernard Pennings, hold the answers to many of your burning questions about the college.

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