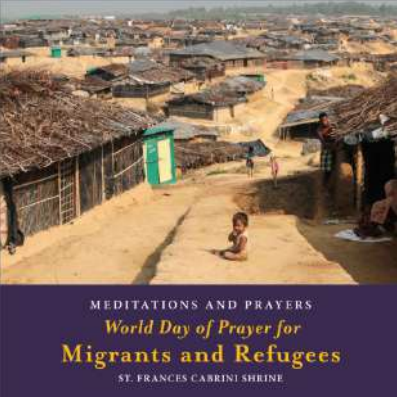




NEWS FROM CABRINI WORLD

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MEDITATIONS AND PRAYERS
World Day of Prayer for Migrants and Refugees
ST. FRANCES CABRINI SHRINE



Card to celebrate World Migrants and Refugees Day, from the New York Shrine, Cabrini Immigration Services and the Curia.

World Migrant and Refugee Day

World Migrant and Refugee Day was celebrated on September 29. We, Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, also wanted to celebrate this occasion in our missions around the world, particularly where we interact with migrants and refugees on a daily basis. In the United States, several events took place at the Mother Cabrini Shrine in Colorado, the Cabrini Immigrant Service Center, the St. Frances Cabrini National Shrine in Chicago and the St. Frances Cabrini Shrine in New York, while in Italy initiatives took place between Palma di Montechiaro and Codogno. At the Cabrini of Westchester (CIS-Dobbs Ferry), Mrs. Lorraine Campanelli spoke on September 23 during Mass at the nursing home, about the initiatives that would be held on September 29 and some of the activities that are carried out daily at the Dobbs Ferry Center. Each day during the prayer of the faithful at the weekday Eucharistic

celebration leading up to September 29, a special intention was read for this very occasion. In addition, a midday prayer was recited throughout the nursing home. Thus, since September 23, a special prayer for migrants and refugees has been made every day. Following the theme of Pope Francis' Message for the day, God Walks with His People, Lorraine compared the theme to reading the Gospel on the road to Emmaus. She reminded us that we need to see Jesus in the other. When we recognize him, we identify ourselves as sister and brother. Father Ron Galt, vice president of Mission and Pastoral Care at St. Cabrini Nursing Home recited special intentions for migrants and refugees



Cabrini of Westchester.

during the prayers of the faithful at Mass each day. In addition, a special prayer was recited at noon along with the prayer saying Grace for the food. At Cabrini Immigrant Services of New York (CIS-NYC), World Migrant and Refugee Day 2024 was celebrated in advance on Friday, September 27 with staff and guests. Together they created a collage on a wall to symbolize their individual and collective journeys, stories, and experiences. Inspired by this year's theme set by Pope Francis, each participant contributed photos and personal reflections on the meaning of the day and the artwork chosen. Everyone then spent the morning



Cabrini Immigrant Services of New York.

sharing stories and food together. Sr. Yolanda Flores, MSC led a prayer and discussion on how it is possible to be, and remain, united in God's name. Executive Director Javier Ramirez-Baron then reflected on the meaning of the day and how strongly it is connected to their daily work rooted in Mother Cabrini's mission to build a world where dignity, respect, and inclusion are a priority for all. At the Mother Cabrini Shrine in Colorado on Sunday, September 29, they included the message of World Migrants and Refugees Day in their three liturgies. They asked the clergy to speak and emphasize the meaning and value of this day in their sermons, in the prayers of the faithful, and to also include a special connection with Mother Cabrini, Patroness of Migrants. On Saturday, September 21, 2024, the National Shrine of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini in Chicago collaborated with the Archdiocese in hosting a viewing of the film *Cabrini* (2024). This was one of the

Archdiocese's three events for Migration Month. The screening of the film was followed by a discussion using the guide created for the film by the U.S. Council of Catholic Bishops. The goal of the guide is to understand how the



September

Creation Month



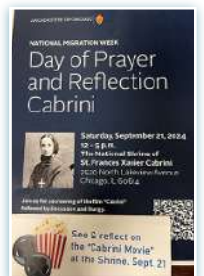
October 2

Feast of Guardian Angels and Grandparents



Oct. 4

St. Francis of Assisi



St. Frances Cabrini Shrine event poster.



Initiative at Palma di Montechiaro.

three themes of Catholic Social Teaching - Human Dignity, Solidarity and the Preferential Option for the Poor and Vulnerable - are embodied in Mother Cabrini's life and in the film. Mary Lou Matheke of the Archdiocesan Office for Human Dignity and Migration led the lively discussion. Sr. Laura Baldini, MSC, was also present at the round table

discussion. The response was very positive. Many asked "What can I do to address the needs?" Participants later joined the Shrine community for the 4 p.m. Mass vigil. Moving on to Italy, in Palma di Montechiaro, the Archdiocese of Agrigento, in collaboration with the Mission Service Center for Migrants, organized a conference in the parish entitled "God Walks with His People" with several talks on the theme of emigration. On the same day, the Memorial of the Inauguration of the Monument of St. Frances X. Cabrini in Palma was commemorated. The Day ended in the Mother Church of Palma di Montechiaro with the celebration of the Eucharist.



National Cabrini Shrine in Chicago.

MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE GENERALATE

The funeral of former General Superior, Sr. Patricia Spillane, MSC was held on September 9 at the St. Frances Cabrini Shrine in New York City; the entire Council meeting in the U.S. from September 7 to 11 was in attendance.

After the funeral, Sr. Eliane and Sr. Gilda returned to Guatemala where they had been on September 3 for a visit to the missions. The following video recounts their visit: <https://fb.watch/vnhAqLVS4/>.

Sr. Patricia, together with Sr. Assunta Scopelliti, paid a visit to Palma di Montechiaro, Italy, from September 13 to 17 and then Sr. Patricia traveled to eSwatini for the Holy Spirit Region Formation Team meeting held from September 23 to 27. On September 18 and 19, Sr. Eliane and Sr. Gilda visited the sisters in Nicaragua.



Sr. Maria Eliane and Sr. Gilda visiting Nicaragua.

These two videos record their visit: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZD_Y7pVDNKQ (la Inmaculada Technical Institute); <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d70Qg1K47DA> (Escuela Sagrada Familia).

In Italy on the occasion of World Migrant and Refugee Day on Sunday, September 29, a screening of the film "Francesca Cabrini" by Alejandro Monteverde was held in Codogno, at the Cabrini Spirituality Center. Many guests attended, including several sisters and the former General Superior, Sr. Maria Barbagallo, who had previously met with the film's producers in Codogno itself to provide them with historical sources to be used in the writing



Funeral of Sr. Patricia Spillane in New York City.

of the film. Sunday evening thus saw the fruits of this collaborative work and all those present rejoiced together in this beautiful sharing on such an important anniversary for the Institute as well as for the whole Church. Also present in Codogno was Assistant Sr. Patricia Godoy. Sr. Stella Maris visited the Generalate in Chicago from October 5 to 12.

Still speaking of the Cabrini film, on October 2 the entire General Council was in Rome and was pleased to attend the preview of the film at the Cinema Adriano, while on October 7 in the U.S. Sr. Eliane and Sr. Patricia both attended the Cabrini Mission



Group of sisters in the New York Community.

Foundation Gala during which the actress who played Francesca Cabrini in the film was also honored. Sr. Eliane and Sr. Patricia happened to be in New York on those days for the international meeting of the IFCT. From the 12th to the 18th Sr. Eliane and Sr. Gilda attended the Guadalupe Provincial Assembly and in the following days they met with the Provincial Council and the communities of New York and Dobbs Ferry. On October 11 Sr. Eliane met with Provincial Superior Sr. Diane Olmstead and the Provincial Council with the team of co-responsible lay members from Malvern Hospital in Australia. After the Assembly Sr. Eliane and Sr. Gilda held formative meetings with the sisters, visited the communities, spent time with the MSCs, and met with the Provincial Council. Sr. Gilda later visited the Denver shrine towards the end of October.



The General Council at the premiere of the film Cabrini at Cinema Adriano.



From left: Sr. Stella Maris with the Generalate team in Chicago, Sr. Patricia, Sr. Eliane, Sr. Pietrina and Sr. Diane at the Cabrini Mission Foundation Gala, visit to Guatemala by Sr. Eliane and Sr. Gilda, two group photos in Dobbs Ferry, Holy Spirit Region Formation team, photos at the screening of the film "Cabrini" in Codogno, Sacred Heart New York community, Sr. Patricia with the Scopelliti sisters in Palma di Monteciaro, Sr. Gilda in the activity with immigrants in Dobbs Ferry.

CABRINIAN NEWS

News from Missions and Formation

- * The National Shrine of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini in Chicago embarked on a backpack donation drive to benefit disadvantaged children in the city who were preparing for the start of school. Some volunteers joined Sr. Laura Baldini in assembling backpacks to be distributed before school started. Over 120 backpacks were filled with school supplies and delivered. This was done with the cooperation of the national charity, Cradle to Crayon, which helps provide daily living essentials for disadvantaged children from birth to 12 years of age.
- * An article in the culture section of the Swiss magazine, Tidningen Dagen, on the film dedicated to Mother Cabrini came out in the first week of September, while on September 4 the film's actress, Cristiana Dell'Anna, won the Filming Italy Venice International Award at the 81st Venice Film Festival.
- * On September 7 a seminar was held in eSwatini with Fr. Wiseman Nkomo, who shared his expertise on protection, human dignity and different types of abuse. He emphasized that protection and human dignity are concepts fundamental to ensuring the well-being and respect of individuals within society. He also specified that abuse is not love.
- * On September 15 there was a meeting with writer Paul Moses on the topic of immigration and prejudice at the Shrine of St. Frances Cabrini in New York, while on the 19th at the Cabrini Apartments of New York, an awards ceremony was held to thank four employees who celebrated anniversaries of years of service.
- * On September 29 on the Feast of the Archangels, the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the educational community of the Cabrini School Network in Brazil participated in a pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Aparecida. The Mass was celebrated by Redemptorist missionary Fr. Mauro Vilela da Silva and conducted by Fr. Alan Patrick Zuccherato in a beautiful time of prayer and sharing.



Backpack donation initiative at the Chicago Shrine.



Celebration of the archangels at the National Shrine of Aparecida.

* On October 1 Sr. Suany Oliveira, Sr. Inês Caixeta de Silva and Sr. Rosa Sousa participated in a Zoom meeting organized by Religious Formation Conference.

- * On October 2 at the Dispensario San Jose zone 6 in Guatemala, another step forward in agreements with other institutions was achieved for the promotion of the integral development of women in Zone 6 communities.



Recognition for Dispensary San Jose zone6.



Religious Formation Conference meeting.

*On October 5 Family Day was celebrated at the St. Frances Cabrini Assisted Health Residence for the Elderly in Codogno; many activities were planned including a time of training/information, a pizza party and ice cream, a market for objects made by the residents and celebration of Holy Mass.

*On October 7 Cabrini Day was celebrated at the Shrine in Colorado with a special Mass at noon followed by a screening of the film Cabrini at 2 p.m. in the chapel.

* On October 8 the On the Road with Jesus pilgrimage in memory of Blessed Carlo Acutis and St. Frances Xavier Cabrini was held at the New York Shrine.

*On the occasion of the Guadalupe Provincial Assembly, Joann Seaman, director of the Shrine in Colorado, visited the New York Shrine on October 11, where she met with director Julia Attaway.

*Enrica Valentini, Resource Mobilization Specialist for Cabrini Ministries Africa visited eSwatini to support the local Cabrini Ministries team and the MSC community in their resource mobilization efforts and communications activities. She visited all departments of Cabrini Ministries for updates on their programs. She conducted a training session with department heads on how to diversify funding sources and how to improve grant writing and management. She held training sessions with the communications working group on how to gather and share information to be posted on the Region's website. She also spent some time in the communities around St. Philips, accompanying the Sisters and the Cabrini Ministries team in their pastoral, health and family care work.



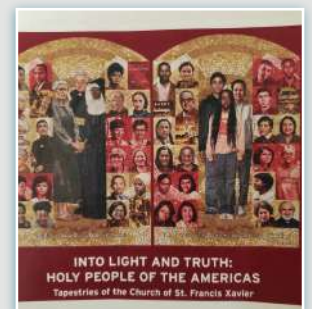
JoAnn Seaman and Julia Attaway at the New York Shrine..



MSC candidates with children in the mission.

Mother Cabrini in a tapestry in Manhattan

On September 15, Sr. Diane Olmstead and Sr. Pietrina Raccuglia participated in the unveiling ceremony of two new tapestries installed at the entrance of St. Francis Xavier Church in Manhattan, New York. The tapestries are entitled "Into Light and Truth: Holy People of the Americas." The tapestry features a depiction of St. Frances Cabrini. The artist is John Nava. The people depicted in the tapestries are those who have worked and given their lives to promote biblical justice, human rights and equality.



Poster for installation of tapestries in the church in Manhattan.



Prayer for peace in Novosibirsk.

Praying for peace

At the New York Shrine on September 27 at 6 p.m., a Mass was held for peace in the Holy Land. Also on October 6 in Novosibirsk, Russia, Sr. Tatiana participated in a prayer for peace in the diocese where she is currently on mission. This was in response to Pope Francis' invitation to dedicate a day of prayer and fasting for world peace. The parish community chose to gather for this moment on Sunday so more people could participate. During the celebration, the Litany of the Sacred Heart was recited and those present experienced a special Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

In the aftermath of Hurricane Helene, the Cabrini Mission Foundation is working with the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas to help one of the hardest hit areas in the Southeast.

IMPORTANT MOMENTS IN THE LIFE OF THE INSTITUTE

Sisters and Laity Formation Meeting

A formation meeting for sisters and laity of the Mater Gratiae province was held on September 7 at Casa Cabrini on Via Sicilia. In the morning, after greetings from Provincial Superior, Sr. Marta Maria Lopez and General Assistant Sr. Patricia Godoy, there was a time of prayer. This was an opportunity to prepare for Jubilee 2025 and the Jubilee of the Sacred Heart. After a reflection by Fr. Francis Scalzotto of the Dicastery for Evangelization, participants had a guided tour of the St. Ignatius Church and the Church of Jesus.



Sisters and Laity Formation Meeting in Rome.



Group photo after the celebration in memory of Sr. Patricia Spillane.

In memory of Sr. Patricia Spillane

On October 5, 40 days after Sr. Patricia Spillane's death, a Mass was held in her memory in the Philippines. The testimony came to us from Karen Marie M. Villaluz, president/CEO of Save Our School Children Foundation, Inc. This Mass was presided over by Fr. Benedict Castaneda, currently treasurer of SOSCFI. Members of the foundation, of the Circle of Discernment prayer group and of the Cabrini House family who still reside in Baguio were invited to celebrate Mass with them.

Guadalupe Provincial Assembly

The Guadalupe Provincial Assembly was held from October 13 to 18. The Missionary Sisters and lay leaders of the Guadalupe Province gathered in Newark, New Jersey, for this annual gathering of the Province. They were joined by General Superior MSC Sr. Maria Eliane Azevedo da Silva and General Councilor Sr. Gilda Mendoza Argueta. The work of the Assembly facilitated by Sr. Imma De Stefanis, RSCJ, PhD, and Sr. Reyna Gonzalez, RSCJ of Sherpa Consulting addressed issues of mission and governance through presentations by Sr. Arlene Van Dusen, MSC and Sr. Pietrina Raccuglia, MSC. Updates on pastoral vocations, sanctuaries and spiritual ministries from an international and provincial perspective were shared. The first part was attended by sisters and lay people, the second by sisters only. Sr. Eliane outlined the spirituality of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Cabrinian charism for mission. She also highlighted the



Sr. Eliane speaks at the Guadalupe Provincial Assembly.

Path of Hope, the theme of Jubilee 2025, the centrality of the Sacred Heart on the occasion of the 350th anniversary of the devotion to the Sacred Heart and the organization of Commissions in the Institute.



Group photo at the Cabrini Mission Foundation Gala.

Gala Cabrini Mission Foundation 2024

A Night in Codogno is the title of the latest Gala organized by Cabrini Mission Foundation. On October 11 at the Metropolitan Club in New York City, the prestigious initiative was attended by the General Superior Sr. Maria Eliane Azevedo Da Silva, Councilor Sr. Patricia Godoy,



Actress Cristiana Dell'Anna along with Provincial Superior Sr. Diane Olmstead.

Provincial Superior Sr. Diane Olmstead and Sr. Pietrina Raccuglia. This year's guests of honor and honorees were Cristiana Dell'Anna, lead actress in Alejandro Monteverde's film *Cabrini*, and David DeCerbo. The evening's ambiance featured beautiful vineyards, Italian delicacies and lively music, surrounding guests with the true spirit of Italy: family, tradition and togetherness. The Foundation honored two extraordinary people, both sharing stories of humble beginnings, perseverance and inspiring success. David DeCerbo, recipient of the Mother Cabrini Lifetime of Service Award, is a successful lawyer specializing in health policy, legislation and law. The Spirit of Cabrini Award was presented to Cristiana Dell'Anna whose portrayal of Mother Cabrini in the film *Cabrini* led to several awards, including Best European Actress at the Septimus Awards.

Cabrini film screening in Rome and Milan and a special event for Cabrinian schools

Wednesday, October 2 was a special day for the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. A screening and press conference of the film, “Francesca Cabrini”, by Alejandro Monteverde was held in the morning at the Cinema Adriano in Rome. In attendance was Mr. Eustace Wolfington, benefactor and financier of the film along with his staff. Moderating the meeting was Federica Picchi of Dominus Production, which handled the distribution of the film in Italy.

In the room were several journalists and managers of some organizations that work with migrants such as Centro Astalli. From the cast were Cristiana Dell’Anna, Romana Maggiora Vergano, Giancarlo Giannini and Federico Ielapi.

In the evening the lead actress, Federico Ielapi and Virginia Bocelli walked the red carpet. Mr. Wolfington and Federica Picchi also attended the evening screening. Then, as a surprise guest in the hall, maestro Andrea Bocelli was also present.



From left: actress Cristiana Dall’Anna, Virginia Bocelli, Eustace Wolfington and Federica Picchi.



Preview of the film at the UCI Bicocca in Milan.

The General Superior and the General Council attended this special evening screening. Guests included artist Meo Carbone, a member of the Dicastery for Evangelization, a representation from the Scalabrinian Sisters and many friends of the Cabrinian family. The first showing in cinemas was October 13 in Milan at the Uci Cinemas in the Bicocca area. Also in the audience that evening was Minister of Education and Merit, Giuseppe Valditara.

On October 13 and 14 several Cabrini schools participated in the film project for first and second grade children. Even the little ones from the Cabrini Institute in Via Anagni in Rome went to see the film!

“CINEMA AND MISSION” CONFERENCE IN THE VATICAN

On October 15 at the Pontifical Academy of Sciences and Social Sciences, Casina Pio IV in the Vatican, a conference was held entitled Cinema and Mission. Audiovisual Sources and the History of Catholic Missions. A great many Congregations participated contributing audiovisual material from their own archives. Sr. Patricia Godoy presented the paper entitled Missionaries Tell Their Story in Images. Rediscovering the direction of the gaze, the memory of witnessing and the actual experience of mission. Also participating was General Assistant Sr. Stella Maris.



Sr. Patricia Godoy at the Convention.

EUSTACE WOLFINGTON ON TV

Cabrini Day was celebrated in the USA on October 7. Speaking on the World Over broadcast was Mr. Eustace Wolfington, benefactor and producer of the executive film Cabrini by Alejandro Monteverde. Mr. Wolfington dwelt upon the success of the initiative to screen the film in Catholic schools in Philadelphia to spread Mother Cabrini's message.

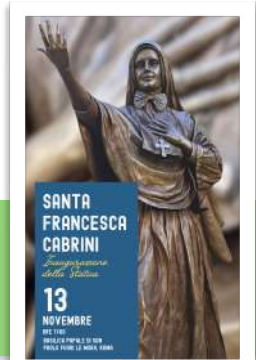


Eustace Wolfington interviewed at World Over.



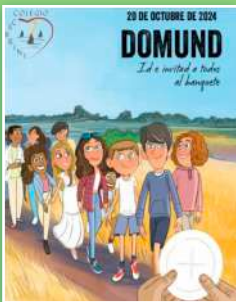
September 8: Mother Cabrini, patroness of Immigrants!

This year we celebrated 74 years since St. Frances Cabrini was declared Heavenly Patroness of all Immigrants, and October 7 marks the fourth Cabrini Day in Colorado, USA!



On November 13 at 11 a.m. a statue of Mother Cabrini will be unveiled at the Basilica of San Paolo Fuori le Mura in Rome.

October 20: Celebrating World Mission Day



Poster Colegio Cabrini initiative in Madrid.

On World Mission Day, October 20, motivational activity took place in the classrooms at the Cabrini School in Madrid. Students worked on the words contained in this year's motto, "Go and invite everyone to the banquet," writing their commitment to write to Jesus and concluding with a prayer. The Saint Frances Cabrini Spirituality Center in Codogno offered an exhibition of documents, information and testimonies on missions. The exhibit was inaugurated on October 20 with a blessing followed by a meeting with Ornella Cassè as moderator. At 3:45 p.m. presentation and commentary with contributions from Monsignor Iginio Passerini and Father Mario Belotti. At 4:15 p.m. the screening of a short film and testimonies, then a visit to the exhibition, which will be open until the end of the month. The St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Lay Missionary Association of Palma di Montechiaro in video link analyzed Pope Francis' message for World Missionary Day, with the valuable comments of Sr. Assunta Scopelliti. On October 26 a missionary meeting was held at the St. Frances Cabrini Spirituality Center in Codogno with the presentation of the association's new website, Missione Cabriniana Oggi, testimony from the missions, an informal friendly lunch, presentation of the digital museum and guided tours of the Cabrinian museum.



Poster for meeting organized by "Cabrinian Mission Today."

WE ARE PREPARING FOR JUBILEE 2025 IN SYNODALITY



The children of the Colegio Cabrini in Madrid.

In preparation for Jubilee 2025, the Colegio Cabrini in Madrid held educational days including a visit by the elementary school children to the MSC house. There were moments of Gospel reading and the sharing of reflections. One stage of the formative journey included the children's walk from the Los Molinos residence to the hermitage of Our Lady of Espino.

On October 24 the new encyclical of Pope Francis, *Dilexit nos*, was published, dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on human Love and divine Love for the Heart of Jesus Christ. We invite you all to read it and deepen the love for the Sacred Heart of Jesus that was so important and so dear to Frances Cabrini and to us Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



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