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THE UPDATE

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## Jesus Christ is Risen!

Each church year, as we celebrate the jubilant event of the Lord's resurrection, we are urged to sing "alleluias" and songs of joy. Another way of rejoicing is the gift of recognizing and remembering all the "little Easters" of life throughout the year. As we observe the joyous Easter season, take time to notice the "little things" in your days. A quiet surprise will occur. You will more fully recognize that the risen Lord is always near, calling through the wonder of nature, the conversation with a friend, the kindness of strangers and the laughter of happy-hearted children. These are invitations to celebrate the risen Lord every day of our lives. They are calls to look through the disguises of life for God's presence and blessing. May these moments inspire you to deeper mercy, faith and fullness of life.

\*adapted from Joyce Rupp, Fresh Bread

May you and your loved ones have a Blessed and Joyous Easter!

Sr. Pietrina Raccuglia, MSC ~ Provincial

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Sr. Arlene Van Dusen, MSC ~ Provincial Councilor

# Continuing the Jubilee Year of Mercy

During this Year of Mercy we are considering ways in which we can more fully enter into the spirit of the Jubilee Year and will be offering practical suggestions for showing mercy to others. In the coming weeks we will be considering the ...

## The Spiritual Works of Mercy

The Spiritual Works of Mercy have long been a part of the Christian tradition, appearing in the works of theologians and spiritual writers throughout history. Just as Jesus attended to the spiritual well-being of those he ministered to, these Spiritual Works of Mercy guide us to "help our neighbor in their spiritual needs" (USCCB).

### ADMONISHING THE SINNER

Do not judge, but be supportive in helping others find their way and correct their mistakes. Together we can learn to walk more closely with Christ.

- In humility we must strive to create a culture that does not accept sin, while realizing that we all fall at times
  - Don't judge, but guide others towards the path of salvation (see [Mt 7:1-2](#))
  - When you correct someone, don't be arrogant. We are all in need of God's loving correction.
  - We should journey together to a deeper understanding of our shared faith
- "Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter from your brother's eye" ([Mt 7:5](#))



## Today is Holy Thursday

You may have heard of Holy Thursday being referred to as Maundy Thursday. Maundy refers to the act of foot washing, and the word is taken from the Latin *mandatum*, or "command." Recall that as he washed their feet on Holy Thursday, Jesus gave his followers "a new commandment," enjoining them, and all of us, to "serve one another" just as he had served in the humblest of ways.

There are many ways to be of service and today is a great day to start. Roll up your sleeves and get your hands wet!

~ Take Five for Faith



## Cabrini Senior Housing, Seattle, WA *Celebrates Its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!*



From left: Tommy Johnson (a pioneer resident and Maintenance and Key Holder), Sr. Renee Kittelson, MSC, former Cabrini Senior Housing manager, and Fr. Michael G. Ryan from St. James Cathedral enjoy a reunion at the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration.

The 10th anniversary of Cabrini Senior Housing in Seattle was celebrated on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. The event was attended by residents, Quantum Management administration, former staff, former residents and guests.

The program included the sharing of memories by residents and staff. Sr. Renee Kittelson, MSC, former manager of Cabrini Senior Housing, gave a brief history of the property and the building.

Everyone enjoyed a festive luncheon celebration following the formal program.

*~submitted by Vicky Lucio, CLM*



The expansive family of Cabrini Senior Housing includes the residents, the staff members of Quantum Management Services, Inc., and the Missionary Sisters represented by Sr. Renee Kittelson, MSC (c. seated), former staff, and partners.

## Cabrini Senior Housing

*...looking at the past with gratitude*

*...being one in the present*

*...looking with hope to the future*





## Cabrini Immigrant Services, NYC

### Seeking Support for Immigrants



Speaking on behalf of the needs of immigrants are CMC missionary Madison Koenig (2<sup>nd</sup>. l.); Javier Ramirez Baron, Director, Cabrini Immigrant Services (3<sup>rd</sup> r.); Ella Nimmo, social work intern at CIS-NYC (2<sup>nd</sup> r.); and Mae Lee, Director, Chinese Progressive Association. They are meeting with Andrew Howard, Sen. Squadron's Director of Albany Affairs (l.) and Sen. Daniel Squadron (c.).

As New York State prepares its budget for 2017, members of Cabrini Immigrant Services have been reaching out to representatives to tell them the necessity of supporting services for immigrants. Last week we met with State Senator Daniel Squadron to talk about the New York State Dream Act, funding for legal services and classes for English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), and the need for better translation and interpretation services at hospitals and schools. We hope that he and other elected officials hear us as we continue to advocate for our immigrant community! ~ *submitted by CMC missionary Madison Koenig*

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## Good Friday

**Pope Francis, during his second Holy Week as pope, gave Catholics a simple instruction: Take a crucifix and kiss it throughout the day, saying, "Thank you, Jesus. Thank you, Lord"**

**So simple and yet so powerful that we just might find ourselves coming back to that practice.**

**We are so grateful for the mercy and love you poured out for us and that love which you pour out for us in the Eucharist.**



St. Frances X. Cabrini Shrine, New York

**BENEFIT CONCERT!**  
**Sunday, April 3, 2016 ~**  
**4:00pm**

**Roberto De Biasio, Metropolitan Opera Tenor**  
***Immigrant Songs***

*"Virile, glistening voice" ~ NY Times*

*"Full phrasing and exciting, ringing top" ~ SF Chronicle*

*"Appealingly natural sense of Italianate phrasing" ~ Boston Globe*

At the Metropolitan Opera, Italian tenor Roberto Di Biasio has starred in Ernani, Madama Butterfly and Simon Boccanegra. He has also appeared at the Grand Théâtre de Genève, Opernhaus Zurich, Opéra de Montréal, Wiener Staatsoper, Opéra Bastille of Paris, Gran Teatre del Liceu of Barcelona, Arena di Verona, Teatro La Fenice in Venice, Santa Fe Opera, Tokyo Bunka Kaikan, Sejong Theater in Seoul and Poly Theatre of Beijing, and with the Boston and Vienna symphony orchestras. Mr. Di Biasio has worked with James Levine, Riccardo Muti, Robert Wilson, Anthony Minghella and Franco Zeffirelli. **A native of Italy, Roberto is devoted to Mother Cabrini, Patroness of Immigrants, and offers this concert in her honor.**



**Concert Pianist Maxim Anikushin** **is known for his generous support of music at Cabrini Shrine.** With a masters from Juilliard and a doctorate from Manhattan School of Music, Maxim has performed at Carnegie Hall, Merkin Hall, Steinway Hall and Lincoln Center; overseas at Moscow Conservatory and Philharmonic Hall in St. Petersburg; at Palau de la Música de València and many others. In addition to weekly masses at St. Elizabeth Church in Washington Heights, he maintains a busy performance schedule.

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# Prayer Requests

## ***Special intention***

Our prayers have been requested for someone who is undergoing medical tests. May all turn out well.

## ***Victims of the Brussels terrorist attack***

We offer our prayers for all those who were killed and injured in this week's terrorist attacks in Brussels, Belgium. Pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died and pray for the survivors that they will recover in body, mind and spirit. Please pray, also, for all first responders. Let us unite in prayer for an end to this senseless violence and for peace, at last, among people, faith traditions and nations.



Jesus, you are risen! You are with us.

Keep us ever mindful of how you are a part of our lives  
in a deep and profound way.

Surprise us with a touch of your love in places  
we never thought we would find you.

Fill our hearts with hope.

May the gift of your presence transform every ordinary  
moment of ours into a sacred place where you dwell.

Help us to see this gift through the eyes of faith.

Fill us with your peace. Amen.

~ Joyce Rupp