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St. Cabrini: A Passionate Life

**Cabrini Health, Australia commissions a new book about
the life of our beloved Saint and Patroness.**



Sr. Maria Barbagallo, MSC, former Superior General and Sr. Elena review an advanced copy of the new book by Mark Davis.

A new book about the life of our Saint, titled *St. Frances Cabrini: a passionate life*, is now available online – visit

<http://www.cabrini.com.au/news-and-events/cabrini-publications/>

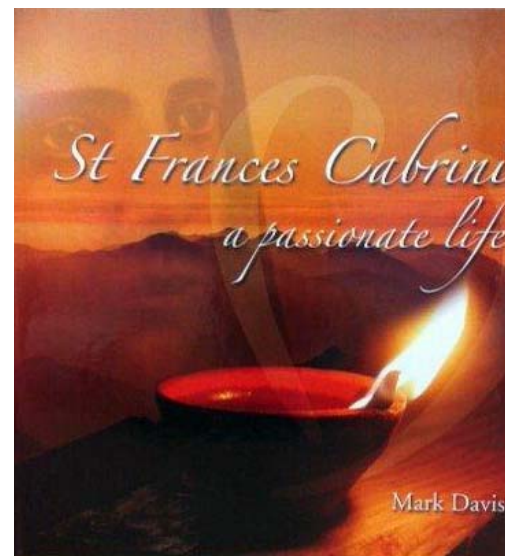
This book by Mark Davis was commissioned by Cabrini Health, Australia to make this remarkable woman, Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, accessible to a new generation of staff, supporters, friends and benefactors.

The beautifully crafted book draws both on the extensive letters written by Frances Cabrini during her lifetime, and other writings since. It looks back on her life with fresh eyes, distilling wisdom from it for our time and for the future.

The book's chapter headings reflect earlier work undertaken by the author, Mark Davis, to express her charism, that is, her unique way of understanding, prioritizing and living her gift of faith. All of the images have been carefully chosen to provide a moment of reflection, to encourage a pause before reading on.

"It is important to create moments in our busy lives to stop, to savor, to enjoy. I hope this book will provide such an opportunity for you," said Cath Garner, Executive Director, Mission and Strategy at Cabrini Health. ~submitted by *Christine Elmer*

This is the cover of the new literary work on St. Frances X. Cabrini.



Cabrini High School, New Orleans, LA *CHS Hosts Evening with Sr. Catherine Garry, MSC*



Sr. Catherine Garry, MSC (seated, center) is honored by CHS alumnae from over five decades. Also pictured is Sr. Arlene Van Dusen, MSC (2nd row r.) and CHS Principal Yvonne Hrapmann (back row 7th l.)

Cabrini High School's alumnae and guests attended a reception honoring former principal Sr. Catherine Garry in the historic Esplanade Building on Cabrini High's campus.

Former students from five decades traveled from throughout the US to attend the reception honoring Sr. Catherine Garry, who served as a Cabrini faculty member from 1966-1970 and Cabrini principal from 1970-1979. Highly respected and dearly loved by the students, faculty, and staff during her years at Cabrini, she remains close to the school, its alumnae, and students. In addition to serving on the Cabrini High School Board of Trustees and as an advisor to the administration, Sr. Catherine currently resides in New York where she is a member of the Provincial Council of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

~ submitted by Nall Gearheard

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Cabrini High Students Care for the Environment



Cabrini High School environmental science students took part in the International Coastal Clean Up and LPBF Beach Sweep event on Friday.

Students in Ann Smart's Environmental Science class participated in the cleanup event as a hands-on learning exercise. "Participation in the program demonstrates the problem of coastal pollution, its effects on the environment, and what individuals can do to help resolve the problem," stated Smart. Students cleaned both banks of Bayou St.



John between Esplanade Avenue and Orleans Avenue, a part of the Lake Pontchartrain Basin.

Sponsored annually by the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Foundation, Spring Sweep is part of the Keep America Beautiful Great American Clean-Up campaign. The students picked up paper and plastic wrappers, wire, bicycle handlebars, cigarette butts, glass bottles, aluminum cans, and a plastic car fender totaling 19 pounds and filling 5 large garbage bags.

~ submitted by Nall Gearheard

Ms. Vivian Coutin, Assistant Principal (2nd r.) gives students from left: Hayley Neyrey, Marisa Riley, Lauren LeCompte, Helen Launey, and Kaycie Allen a hand with the Spring Sweep clean-up.



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CHS Top Winners in Essay Contest

Cabrini High School students took the top three places in the “The Importance of Religious Freedom” essay contest sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

Sophomores Angelle Falcon, Kathleen Tullis, and Chloe Mangerchine placed first, second, and third, respectively, in the Marquette Council 1437 of the Knights of Columbus essay contest. The essays are a required assignment of Cabrini instructor Max Yuratich’s AP US History class. Mr. Yuratich selected the best essays and submitted them to the Knights of Columbus competition. The winning essays will move on to the statewide competition for consideration later this term. ~ submitted by Nall Gearheard



CHS sophomores from left: Kathleen Tullis, Angelle Falcon and Chloe Mangerchine came up big winners in the Knights of Columbus essay content on “The Importance of Religious Freedom”.

Cabrini Health, Australia *New Clinical Ethics Consultation Service*



Cabrini Health now has a new, internal service to help when distressing ethical problems arise in the course of providing healthcare to our patients, residents and their families.

In every healthcare setting, situations arise that cause distress for patients, families, doctors and other members of the healthcare team. Such situations occur when the various players have differing beliefs about how a patient should be treated. Disagreement may arise from a complex ethical knot of personal, religious, moral, medical and philosophical viewpoints – and the result is often distress. Cabrini recognizes that healthcare is a moral activity that respects each person's role and integrity, and a relational activity where neither healthcare professionals nor patients and their families act independently of one another. Therefore, Cabrini has created a new clinical ethics consultation service. It has Cabrini's mission, values and professional standards at heart; offering support to patients, residents, families/care providers, doctors and staff in arriving at ethically-sound decisions.

Julia Trimboli, Director of Mission Services, will coordinate the clinical ethics consultation service, which will support clinicians who are facing ethical dilemmas in care or who are seeking guidance in relation to Catholic teaching and/or ethical principles. In healthcare, quick response is often vital. To facilitate this, each problem will be triaged on a case-by-case basis and an assessment made about the best way to respond. For advice on a particular patient, an ethical consultation meeting draws together a group of experts who will provide an ethical opinion about how to proceed. That committee will comprise members with specialist knowledge of the area in question.

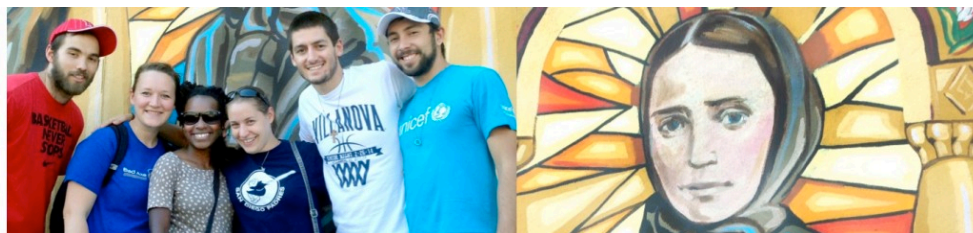
There are important points to consider when bringing a matter to the triage stage. Some issues will not be appropriate for this process. For example: matters relating to clear breaches of the *Code of Ethical Standards in Catholic Health and Aged Care*, patient complaints about their standard of care, problems that are medico-legal and not ethical, and patients who need external legal advice. Matters that proceed through to the ethical opinion stage will not be bound by the committee's opinion. It is expert opinion given by a multidisciplinary group, and well-backed by other ethical research bodies, but it is provided with the intent to facilitate not dictate. Prior to the meeting, the convener must thoroughly identify and review the medical, ethical and legal aspects of the situation/issue.

The clinical ethics consultation service has been available in the intensive care unit under Drs. John Reeves and Jonathan Barrett and at Cabrini Palliative Care under Dr. Natasha Michael, supported by the Nurse Managers in these areas. Like many healthcare organizations in Australia and internationally that have integrated this type of service into daily operations, our will be to roll-out the service across other areas of the organization.

~ submitted by Christine Elmer



Cabrini Mission Corps Fundraiser



Join us in the Cabrini College Mansion as we celebrate the Cabrini Missions Corps and our legacy of service lived through our missionary identity expressed in prayer, in community and in ministry. On Friday, April 17th, supporters of the Cabrini Mission Corps will gather with the Cabrini College community as we honor its work. Come and celebrate our 2014-2015 Missioners--Connor, Jenay CC '14, Martin, Matt, and Melanie. Please join us for heavy appetizers and wine and beer, music and celebration, and prayer and testimony in a short program as we celebrate Mother Cabrini's legacy and how it's lived today.

We hope you can join us! If not, please consider [making a donation](#) to keep the Cabrini Mission Corps serving, now and in the future.

Tickets purchased by students and members of religious congregations are not deductible.

Have questions about Cabrini Mission Corps: Love Through Service? [Contact Tom Southard](#)

To purchase tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cabrini-mission-corps-love-through-service-tickets-15521334730>

One Minute Meditation

Commitment is that quality of human nature that tells us not to count days or months or years, struggle or effort or rejection, but simply to go on until the work we have come to do is done, whether the need is finally, completely finished or not - that can be finished by those who come after us. What is imperative is the honoring of a call; the meaning of a vocation is that we give our own life to the doing of a worthy lifelong endeavor.

When we feel most discouraged, most fatigued, most alone, is precisely the time we must not quit.

~ Joan Chittister, OSB



Cabrini *Action and Advocacy* Coalition

CAAC Attends the Commission on the Status of Women

Every year the United Nations hosts the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), a two-week long event where people from around the world gather to discuss issues that impact women. This year, CAAC Missioner Melanie attended several side events relating to human trafficking.

One of these events discussed the issue of prostitution on an international level. On this panel were Rachel Moran, founding member of Survivors of Prostitution-Abuse Calling for Enlightenment, Vendita Carter, founder and executive director of Breaking Free, Ingelborg Kraus, PhD, a German psychologist and trauma expert who founded a website discussing the link between prostitution and trauma, and Melissa Farley, PhD, founder and director of Prostitution Research and Education. Moderating the panel was Taina Bien-Aime, executive director of the Coalition Against Trafficking in Women. There was discussion on the Nordic Model, which decriminalizes the selling of, but criminalizes the purchasing of sex. Thus, this law targets the demand. Doctor Kraus furthered the discussion by outlining the devastating impacts the legalization of prostitution has had in Germany. She noted that, with prostitution legalized, there are no support or healing services for those who have been exploited. Rachel Moran noted that the Nordic Model has been, “the only reasonable strategy for a millennium.”

When asked what the greatest barrier is to ending prostitution, Rachel Moran stated that it is the status quo. She said, “[you] think you can’t do anything, but everything you say out loud where people can hear you, no, that’s not okay, it’s another piece to this movement.” Dr. Farley added, “Prostitution is to society what incest is to the family.”

CSW is an exciting time, as men and women from all over the world come together to collaborate and find solutions to international problems. The panel discussions were enlightening and inspiring, bringing to mind the words Pope Leo XIII said to our foundress, “to work, Cabrini!” ~submitted by CMC missioner Melanie Paccillo



Rachel Moran of founding member of Survivors of Prostitution-Abuse Calling for Enlightenment.



Heartfelt Thanks

The following letter was received by Karol Brewer, Chair of the Cabrini Action and Advocacy Coalition ...



I would like to again thank you for the very generous donations you have given me for victims of human trafficking in the Philadelphia area. Today, I was able to give another one of the victims, a 21-year-old female, a trunk load of household goods for her to use in her new apartment, thanks to the generous gift cards from CAAC. This young woman just moved into an independent living program for young women 18-21. She had some items and was very appreciative of the new items. Additionally, I was able to take this same young victim to Walmart to shop for other items she needs and can't afford, to include more undergarments, food and health care items. This woman has no family support and has had to figure so much out on her own. It is great that she is now in a program that is going to help her focus on her goals, which include community college and a safe job. In the past, she has had to figure out how to make ends meet and really only had her trafficker to whom she felt she could turn. She is learning that this does not have to be her life anymore. She is so appreciative of the good will and donations that you and yours have provided to her. It is hard for her to accept that there are such good people in the world who are willing to help a stranger. I think this will help accept that the world is good and that she deserves to have good in her life.

Thank you for your support and advocacy for this and the other victims with whom I work and will be working. Please thank all that are helping them and the cause to combat human trafficking.

Elisa Lehman
Victim Specialist
FBI Philadelphia

The response to the appeals for donations for the Cabrini Closet has been extremely gratifying. So many generous individuals have come forth to donate gift cards and/or clothing for the victims of trafficking. As long as women and girls are trafficked, the need will continue. If you can help in anyway, your support will be deeply appreciated.





This Lenten season, as in past years, the Missionary Sisters offer reflections on the Gospels of the Sundays of Lent. This week, the reflection is written by Sr. Eileen Currie, MSC.

REFLECTION for PALM SUNDAY March 29, 2015

We begin Holy Week with Jesus approaching Jerusalem amidst many others going to celebrate the great liberation from slavery and oppression. But this is no ordinary year, among those going is the One who has raised the dead, restored sight to the blind, fed multitudes with small amounts of fish and bread, restored the lame, cast out demons, and ate with all sorts of the “wrong people.” This is one who has spoken “with a well-trained tongue to the weary, a word that will rouse them.”

But this King of Glory rides on a donkey, no chariot or stallion, no waving to the crowd, no raised clenched fist of vengeance. He seems caught up in what lies ahead, the moment of tremendous self-emptying. He will not turn back but continues proclaiming the Kingdom that is at hand. He will allow the rage of those in power to manipulate people to have him handed over to crucifixion. He responds not with power and privilege, “turns not his back...nor shield his face.” Rather, “for our sake he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave.”

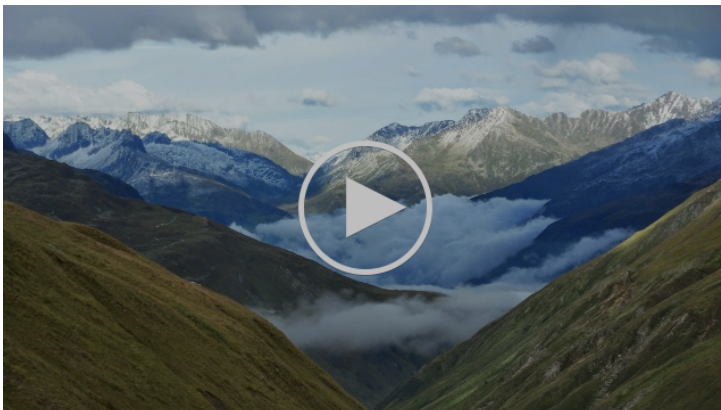
This week invites us to consider our discipleship, our proclaiming Good News, our outreach to the suffering, marginalized and poor, our call to self-emptying on behalf of others. Shall we go with him?

Which way to Jerusalem?

~ Sr. Eileen Currie, MSC

Join us Friday for "11 at 11"

Our final Lenten Prayer gathering for 2015 with Sr. Grace is this Friday The theme for prayer selected by Sr. Grace is "MYSTERY." [Click here](#) on Friday to join in!



Can't make it? All is well!
Each prayer session is recorded on the [CMC site](#) and YouTube for right. **MYSTERY."**

Prayer Requests

Bob Davenport

Your continuing prayers are requested for Bob Davenport, the husband of Cabrini College alumna Judy Luglio Davenport '69. Bob will need to undergo continuing treatment at this time.

Conall Harvey

Last week, we sent a special prayer request for little Conall Harvey, who was hospitalized in ICU at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP). Conall remains in the ICU. Please continue to storm heaven for this little boy who is fighting multiple health issues. Pray also for his parents and siblings during this very stressful family time.

Sr. Stephanie Kabacinski, MSC

Please keep Sr. Stephanie in your prayers. She is scheduled for cataract surgery on Monday, March 30th and again, in late April. Those of you who know Sr. Stephanie will remember that she has always been known for her big blue eyes. We hope that her eyes will shine more brightly following her surgeries.

In Loving Memory

Dilia Carvalho

Please pray for the soul of Dilia Carvalho who was called home to God on Tuesday, March 24th. Mrs. Carvalho is the mother of Sr. Isalia Carvalho, MSC. Please keep Sr. Isalia's family in prayer.

Tom Frey

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tom Frey who returned to God on Monday, March 23rd. Mr. Frey is a member of the extended family of Nancy Costello in the Province Communications Office. Please pray for his wife, children and grandchildren during this sad time.

