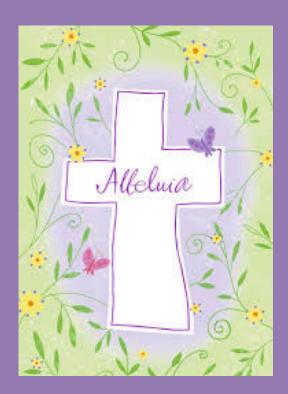




April 13, 2017

Celebrate the Good News of Easter... Christ is Risen!



During this liturgical season, we celebrate the great transformation from death to new life: Christ's self-giving dedication to God's kingdom of justice is rewarded by God's gift of new eternal life. Every Christian is a Christian because in some way or other he or she has experienced the mystery of Christ's living presence within them. Christ's resurrection means that he is now transforming us into himself through the power of the Holy Spirit. Both as individuals and as communities, we now become the body of Christ on earth, and like his body, we are to be "taken, blessed, broken and shared" in self-emptying love so that the world might also be transformed. We become Christs for others, and then our selves and our lives become the gospel that people can most easily read. Our Easter challenge is to refashion our world in the image of God's kingdom for a truly just and caring society where "all things will be made new."

(Rev 21:5) **Words of Grace, Daily Reflection for Catholics

Easter Joy and Blessings from the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus



"Too Small a World":

Catholic Sisters as Global Missionaries

On April 6 through 8, many members of the Cabrini family gathered at the University of Notre Dame for the conference "Too Small a World": Catholic Sisters as Global Missionaries. With over 20 Missionary Sisters and lay collaborators in attendance, the spirit of Mother Cabrini, already woven through the theme, was alive throughout the sessions.

The program was held in honor of the centenary of Mother Cabrini's death. The study of missionary sisters embraces Cabrini's boundless ambition as well as the practical and cultural constraints that shaped the outcomes of her and others' journeys. An international group of scholars gathered to

investigate the transnational work and shifting identities of Catholic sisters as global

missionaries, asking how the study of these border-crossing women, organized into multinational structures, can help all historians enter into the global history of Catholicism. The presentations and conversations kept alive the history while also ensuring we focused on the future of religious vocations, missionary spirit, and our faith. The conference ended with a trip for all participants to the National Shrine of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini in Chicago.

An exhibit of Mother Cabrini's artifacts, including her traveling cutlery, several items of clothing, and checks she signed, was on loan from the Cabriniana Room at Cabrini University's Holy Spirit Library to the Hesburgh Libraries at Notre Dame to be displayed throughout the conference. The response was so positive, the exhibit will continue to be

Cabrini representatives attending the conference back row from left: Dr. Ray Ward, Associate Director for Peace and Justice, Cabrini University; Sr. Therese Merandi, MSC; Yvonne Hrapmann, Principal, Cabrini High School; Sr. Barbara Staley, MSC, General Superior, MSCs; Anne Schwelm, Assistant Director, Holy Spirit Library, Cabrini University; Sr Joan McGlinchey, MSC; Tom Southard, Executive Director, Wolfington Center, Cabrini

Front row from left: Sr. Bernadette Anello, MSC, General Councilor; Dr. Anne Marie Borneman, Trustee, Cabrini University; Sr. Christine Marie Baltas, MSC; Dr. Kathleen Sprow Cummings, Director of the Cushwa Center for the study of American Catholicism, University of Notre Dame; Dr. Maggie McGuinness, LaSalle University; Maria Williams, doctoral student, University College London, Institute of Education.

Not pictured but also attending the conference:

Sr. Bridget Zanin, MSC, Director, National Shrine of St. Frances X. Cabrini and Nancy Golen, Director of the Cabrini Retreat Center, Des Plaines, IL.

displayed through their commencement.

Anne Schwelm of Cabrini University co-curated the exhibit.

Presenters included:

Sr. Barbara Staley, MSC General Superior of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of

University

Jesus, who gave the opening comments, with a focus on the Cabrinian charism today. **Yvonne Hrapmann**, Principal, Cabrini High School, "From Student to Principal: Stories of Cabrinian Mission in High School Curriculum and Hiring"

Jeff Gingerich, **PhD**, Provost, Cabrini University, "Education of the Heart: Lay Leadership and Mission Integration in Cabrinian Higher Ed"

Ray Ward, PhD, Associate Director, Peace and Justice, Cabrini University, "Theological Resources for Lay Participation in Cabrinian Institutional Identity"

Maria Williams, University College London, Institute of Education, "Too Small a World: The Transnational Mobilization of Mother Cabrini's Catholic Educational Practice 1889-1917"

Tom Southard, **JD**, Executive Director, Wolfington Center, Cabrini University, "She Was No Saint:' Leadership Styles of 19th Century Foundresses"

Maggie McGuinness, PhD, La Salle University, "How Far Do You Have to Go to Be a Missionary? The Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament in Philadelphia"

~ submitted by Tom Southard, ID

In conjunction with the symposium, the University's Rare Books & Special Collections created an exhibit of St. Frances Cabrini's artifacts. The artifacts are on loan from the Cabriniana Collection of Cabrini University. The exhibit, which runs through May at Notre Dame's Hesburgh Library, features articles of clothing, travel cutlery, and checks signed by the future Saint. Upon learning that each MSC house had a set of clothing that Mother Cabrini could use when she was visiting or in residence, one Notre Dame student who attended the exhibit remarked, "Isn't that great? As soon as she arrived, she was home."

* with thanks to Anne Schwelm, Exhibit co-curator*

Cabrini Immigrant Services, NYC Hosts Benefit



hoto above from left: Patricia Krasnausky, CEO of Cabrini Eldercare was the CIS-YC honoree. She is joined by Sr. Marjorie Connelly, MSC and Robin Larkins.

Last Tuesday, April 4th, 2017 Cabrini Immigrant Services of NYC hosted our fourth annual benefit at Pulse Restaurant in Rockefeller Center. We had a wonderful night acknowledging our honoree Patricia Krasnausky of Cabrini Eldercare, and celebrating our accomplishments over the past year. Thank you to all of the generous donors and committed supporters who came and made the night a success! We would like to extend a special thank you to Mike Hoffman and Changing Our World, Inc., who sponsored the event.

submitted by Ella Nimmo

To view more photos: http://bit.ly/cis-benefit2017



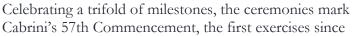
Attending the CIS Benefit were Missionary Sisters from left: Sr. Marisel, Sr. Yolanda Flores and Sr. Juana Clarivel Mendoza.

Cabrini University Names Commencement Speakers



William R. Hite Jr., EdD, Superintendent of The School District of Philadelphia, will address bachelor's degree candidates at Cabrini University's undergraduate Commencement on Sunday, May 21, at 10am.

Bhavna Shyamalan, PhD, Co-founder and Vice President of the M. Night Shyamalan Foundation, will address master's degree candidates at the University's graduate Commencement on Sunday, May 21, at 2:30pm.



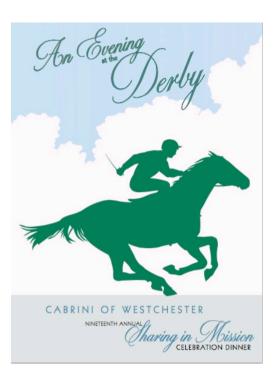
becoming a University, and Cabrini's 60th anniversary.



"We are excited to welcome Dr. Hite and Dr. Shyamalan during a year of momentous occasions," said Donald B. Taylor, PhD, President of Cabrini University. "By sharing Cabrini's steadfast commitment to social justice and education, these leaders exemplify how graduates will continue to impact their communities, long after leaving campus."

~ Cabrini University website

To learn more: https://www.cabrini.edu/about/media-hub/news/2017/william-r.-hite-jr.-edd-and-bhavna-shyamalan-phd--to-speak-at-milestone-cabrini-commencement



Save the Date

Cabrini of Westchester's Nineteenth Annual Sharing in Mission Dinner "An Evening at the Derby," will be held on Wednesday, May 10th at 6:00 PM at Tappan Hill in Tarrytown, New York.

This year's honorees include James and Nancy Landy, Lisa Venditti and Bangaruraju Kolanuvada, MD (Dr. Raju).

** We would like to invite the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to be our guests at this event. Please RSVP to Susan Herceg at (914) 693-6800 ext. 502 or sherceg@cabrini-eldercare.org if you plan on attending.

Cabrini High School Invited to STEM Field Trip





Twenty-eight students from Cabrini High School in AP and honors level sciences classes were invited to attend a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) based field trip at the Laser Interferometer Gravitational wave Observatory, or LIGO, facility in Livingston, Louisiana. In September of 2015, LIGO was credited with the discovery of gravitational waves. This major scientific breakthrough is consistent with the predictions that Albert Einstein made in his 1915 theory of general relativity. The gravity waves are "ripples" in the fabric of space-time that provide evidence of cataclysmic events in the galaxy (like the collision of two black holes) more than 1.3 billion years ago. The students and two science department members were able to experience hands-on, interactive experiments and demos that explain how waves interact. As part of the facility tour, students were able to go into the laser control room and ask the scientists and engineers about the inner workings of the LIGO lab.

Students were able to interact with some of the exhibits at the LIGO lab.

~ submitted by Cabrini High School

Cabrini High School's Kathy Gosciniak to Receive The Drake Award

Cabrini High School Science teacher Kathy Gosciniak has been voted to receive the prestigious Drake Award for 2017 by the Louisiana Section of the American Chemical Society. The Drake Award goes to an outstanding local high school teacher who is using innovative pedagogy in the classroom. She will be honored at the Awards Dinner April 19.

Gosciniak who teaches Chemistry at Cabrini High holds a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from Case Western University and a Graduate Education Certification in Chemistry. Before joining the Cabrini faculty in 2009, she served as a Senior Battery Engineer for Eveready Battery Company, and a Senior Research Engineer for General Dynamics. She is a Certified Advanced Placement Teacher, Chemistry II and is a Certified Advanced Placement Teacher, Computer Science Principles. She is Member of Louisiana Science Teacher Association, the National Science Teacher Association, and the American Chemical Society.

~ submitted by Cabrini High School

SAVE THE DATE!



Cabrini Mission Foundation 3rd Annual Bowling FUNdraiser

Wednesday, June 21, 2017 – 6:00 – 9:00 pm Further details to follow



Breakfast
with the
Bunny

Hop! Hop! Hop!



With Easter baskets in hand, little ones hopped, skipped and jumped on the Cabrini University Commons in search of colorful Easter eggs with treasures inside. Easter eggs were everywhere - the Easter Bunny must have been very busy!

Cabrini University alumni and their children and grandchildren hopped on back to campus on Saturday, April 8th for the annual Breakfast with the Bunny event. Photos with the Easter Bunny, story time with Cabrini President Dr. Donald Taylor and an "eggs-travaganza" egg hunt on the University Commons were highlights of the morning.

Mother Cabrini Shrine

Golden, CO



Holy Thursday, April 13

Mass at 7 p.m.

Good Friday, April 14

Reflection on the Seven Last Words at 12 p.m. Liturgy of the Passion at 2:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 15
Easter Vigil at 8 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 16
Mass at 8 a.m.
Mass at 11 a.m.
Spanish Mass at 2 p.m.

Save the Dates for Shrine Events:

Shrine Gala - Friday, June 23rd // Summer Feast and Bazaar - July 15th and 16th

Exciting News from Chicago!





The National Shrine of St. Frances X. Cabrini has launched a new website.

The URL for the new website is www.cabrininationalshrine.org

The staff at the Shrine is understandably very proud!!!

Please make it a point to visit the website often.



This Lenten season, in what has become a beloved tradition, the Missionary Sisters and some of their lay collaborators have offered reflections on the Gospels of the Sundays of Lent.

This week's reflection is written by Nancy Golen, Director, Cabrini Retreat Center, Des Plaines, IL

EASTER SUNDAY

April 16, 2017

Psalm 33: R. The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and our shield. May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us who have put our hope in you.

Gospel: John 20: 1- 9: "Mary Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning while it was still dark...

they have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him...

The Easter Vigil readings recall the story of a loving God walking with us through history. Even with the scriptures to guide us, it is easy to forget that God is faithful and to see our world as one without hope - as the followers of Jesus did.

In the Easter Sunday Gospel, we go with Mary Magdalene as she ventures out in the darkness to do the little she can – to care for the broken body of Jesus.

In seeking Jesus, Mary does not find what she expects. At first glance, the empty tomb



uring this prayer vigil, each cross represents a person murdered in hicago in 2016.

seems another sign that there is no hope, even the body of Jesus is lost. John and Peter go to the tomb on Mary's word — and the mystery deepens as they discover the burial cloths in the tomb but no body. In each of the four Gospels the Easter mystery unfolds as the followers of Jesus do the next small thing they can — go to the tomb, ask a question, gather to pray and reflect on the scriptures.

As I write this reflection, Archbishop Cupich is on the news addressing increasing violence in Chicago, "Just because we can't do everything doesn't mean we can't do something," he urges. Last week, Pope Francis wrote to the people of Chicago, "I pray that the people of your beautiful city never lose hope, that they work together to become builders of peace, showing future generations the true power of love."

The Resurrection is the unfolding triumph of love and never what we expect or "business as usual". It seems all we are called to do is something challenging in its simplicity - take the next small step in the darkness - trusting that the promises of God continue to unfold generation by generation. In the end we do the little we can in love trusting that it is the power of a faithful God that carries us forward. ~Nancy Golen, Director, Cabrini Retreat Center

Cabrini Retreat Center is the only retreat center in the Archdiocese of Chicago with a primary focus on youth; 80% of retreatants are teens. The Retreat Center partners with the Archdiocese to train youth ministers and serve at-risk youth.

A 2016 Cabrini Mission Foundation grant has supported professional training for youth ministers and an upcoming peer ministry retreat impacting over 1,700 teens and adult leaders in under-resourced parishes.

Prayer Requests

Annie Lucio

Cabrini Lay Missionary Vicky Lucio asks that we pray for her sister Annie Lucio who resides in the Philippines. She is disabled for years now and recently sustained a fall. She is in the hospital right now and she's not doing well. Vicky asks prayers for her healing and peace in her family, too.

Kathleen Shiels

Please continue your prayers for Kathleen, sister of Cabrini University staff member Mary Shrader, who has been transferred to Thomas Jefferson Hospital where they are conducting many more tests. Mary asks us to continue our prayers that the doctors will soon be able diagnose and treat Kathleen.

Sisters of the Divine Savior

Sr. Ellen Sinclair, SDS, asks prayers for their sisters, brothers and a priest in the Democratic Republic of Congo as well as all those to whom they minster. The Sisters of the Divine Savior received word that they were being forced out of their convents in Kalamba. Then, they received the further information that two of their convents in Kalamba were completely looted, ransacked, destroyed...some parts of the convents were set on fire. Nothing remained in the two houses. Everything was taken away even forks, spoons, etc. All their liturgical items were burned. The sisters' dispensary was looted. The Sisters of the Divine Savior are, understandably, devastated and sad. Please pray for them.

Joseph Squarzini, Jr.

Your prayers are asked for Joseph, the father-in-law of John Schanz, Chair of the Board of Trustees at Cabrini University, who is very ill. Pray for John's wife, Liz, as she and her family are with their father and grandfather respectively at this time.

Hugh Waters

Please continue your prayers for Hugh Waters who will undergo tests at Johns Hopkins Medical Center in Baltimore. Hugh is the twin brother of Sr. Grace Waters, MSC.

With a Grateful Heart

Annette Villa O'Driscoll

In recent weeks we have prayed for former CMC missioner, Annette Villa O'Driscoll. Annette shares the following message of gratitude:

"Dear Cabrini family,

It was my hope and prayer that the medical tests would clearly show if there was something we needed to treat. Thankfully, so far all is normal and for that I am immensely grateful. There is one more doctor's appointment and one more test I have to do to rule out all the possibilities so I ask again for your prayers. I am in good spirits and trusting God and His plan whatever that may be. Again, I am beyond blessed to be a part of the Cabrini family and to have Mother Cabrini journeying with me every step of the way." Love, Annette

In Loving Memory

Mary Madonna

The Cabrinian Community joins the Cabrini University Community in extending sympathy to Carmel-Jo Madonna, Assistant to the Vice President of Student Life, on the loss of her mother-in-law, Mary A. Madonna, who passed away Tuesday, April 11th 2017. Please keep Carmel-Jo and her family in your thoughts.



"Filled with awe and great joy, the women came quickly away from the tomb and ran to tell his disciples" (Mt 28:8)

Happy Easter!