



June 23, 2016

Cabrini Mission Corps Comes to a Prayerful Close

On Saturday, June 18th, the Missionary Sisters, along with CMC Director Gina Scarpello, CMC missionaries and CMC friends and benefactors gathered to mark the closing of the Cabrini Mission Corps (CMC) after 24 years of dedicated service to God's people in many countries throughout the world.



A closing Mass and recommissioning for CMC was held on the campus of Cabrini College this past Saturday.

A closing Mass, ritual and recommissioning were held in the Bruckmann Chapel of St. Joseph on the campus of Cabrini College in Radnor, PA. Sr. Pietrina Raccuglia, MSC, Provincial, and Sr.

Lucille Souza, MSC, founding Director of Cabrini Mission Corps, offered Gina their thanks and blessings for all she has done in her leadership role with CMC.

The liturgy was followed by a convivial luncheon during which Director Gina Scarpello offered her thanks and blessings “to anyone and everyone who has been a supporter of CMC and me over these years and is held with deep gratitude in my heart.”

Gina first thanked Mother Cabrini who “is ever present, guiding things and getting things done just as she did – and even more powerfully than she did – when she walked the earth.”

Gina thanked the planning committee for the beautiful Mass as a way to honor CMC and truly root the spirit of the program deeply through the recommissioning so that it continues to bear fruit into the future.

Gina closed with a prayer that the lives of all those present be abundantly blessed with the goodness that God desires for you. “I hope that you, like Mother Cabrini, continue to be open and trusting vessels to receive God's love and allow it to flow through you generously



Cabrini College Director of Campus Ministry Fr. Carl Janicki offers communion to former CMC missionary Mary Meleski (c.) and Sr. Grace Waters MSC who served as Eucharistic Ministers.

so its transformative power may lavishly touch your life, the lives of the ones you love and continue to extend to the ends of the earth to the hearts and minds of all people.”

Following Gina’s remarks, Sr. Grace Waters, MSC, Karol Brewer and Nancy Costello, who have been colleagues of Gina’s for the past ten years, offered their own tribute to Gina as

the Director of CMC. Nancy, citing Aristotle, said, “happiness is about doing something that makes the world a better place to be.” And, Nancy continued, “that is what Gina has been about... leading, guiding, and forming young people to make the world a better place to be through their volunteer service with Cabrini

Mission Corps.” Nancy went on to say, “you have encouraged them, challenged them, and through your own faith-filled life, you have inspired them.”

On a personal note, Karol Brewer shared that, “over the past ten years our connection has transcended that of co-workers and colleagues into a deep and lasting friendship based on respect and infused with love. We will miss your beautiful smile, your infectious laugh and your endless enthusiasm and creativity and the strong, loving, support team we have become.”

Sr. Grace Waters closed with a blessing for Gina in the words taken from the Irish poet John O’Donohue:

May the Angels in their beauty bless you.
May they turn towards you streams of blessings.

May the Angel of Awakening stir your heart
to all the invitations that quietly surround you.

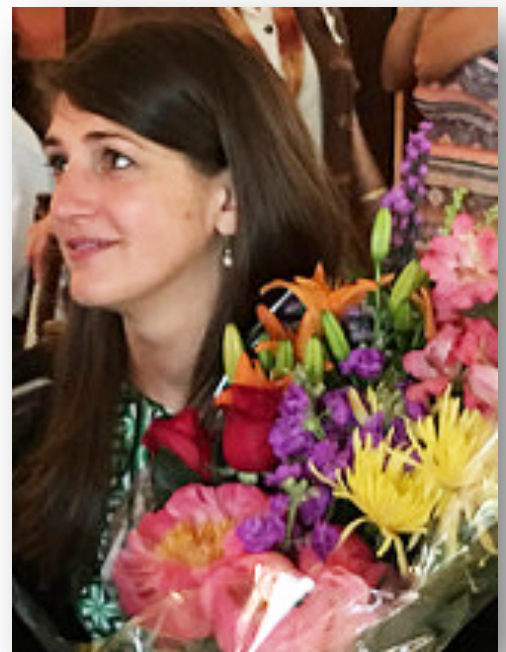
May you be blessed with good friends
And, continue to be a good friend to yourself,
Journeying to that place in your soul where
There is love, warmth and feeling.

Take time to celebrate the quiet miracles
that seek no attention.

May you experience each day as a sacred gift woven
around the heart of wonder.

Now is the time to free the heart.
Free the joy inside yourself.
Awaken to the wonder of your life.

Amen.



CMC Director Gina Scarpello
Thank you. Bless you.

To view photos and videos from the CMC closing ritual – with great thanks to

Dr. Jerry Zurek: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/jerryzurek/sets/72157667238061414>
<https://vimeo.com/channels/1090315>



Many MSCs travelled from New York to attend the CMC event including Sr. Bernadette Casciano, MSC (I.) and Sr. Amada Liboro, MSC.



Sr. Arlene Primus, MSC spent time with the 2014-2015 group of missionaries, from left: Martin Garcia, Melanie Paccillo, Ashley Block and Matt Kaehler.

A Most Fitting Commemoration

“Gardens and flowers have a way of bringing people together.”

~ Clare Ansberry

Since its inception 24 years ago, the offices of Cabrini Mission Corps (CMC) have been based on the campus of Cabrini College. As Cabrini Mission Corps’ time of service draws to a close, CMC Director Gina Scarpello, in consultation with the Provincial Council, wanted to commemorate the presence of Cabrini Mission Corps on the Radnor campus in a meaningful and enduring manner.

Given the picturesque and sylvan campus, Gina thought it would be lovely to plant a tree in honor of CMC. This would be a long-lasting tribute to all those who have been an integral part of the Mission Corps and it would serve as a beautifully “green” way of thanking the Cabrini College community for their support and hospitality throughout the years.

With the blessing of Cabrini College President Dr. Don Taylor, and the collaboration of the College’s Grounds Manager Gus Feudale and his staff, the perfect spot was chosen for three crape myrtle trees. The new plantings will surround a statue of Mother Cabrini that has been in place on the campus since 1961 that bears the inscription, “In Memory of Manlio Mevoglioni”. This inscription, researched by Assistant Library Director Anne Schwelm, was referenced in the 1961 Cabrini College yearbook along with a photo of the statue with the accompanying wording “Compliments of Mr. and Mrs. Renzo Mevoglioni”. At this point, not much else is known about the origin of the statue.





Over the years, the original shrubbery that had been planted grew tall and eventually surrounded the statue making Mother Cabrini seem somewhat remote and inaccessible. With the gift of these new plantings, the garden, located right in the heart of campus, has been reimagined and the statue of Mother Cabrini has been restored to its original beauty making it a spot that will invite visitors and the campus community to pause, pray and enter into conversation with Mother Cabrini. And, isn't that just what Cabrini Mission Corps has always been about?

Photo above: Until last week, the statue of Mother Cabrini seemed isolated, surrounded by a ring of greens.

Photo right: With the CMC gift of the three crape myrtle trees, representing faith, hope and love, the statue of Mother Cabrini now welcomes all and bids them to linger and pray.

Photo bottom right: With Mother Cabrini so accessible, a new campus tradition could be inaugurated - #mothercabriniselfie Taking a selfie clockwise from left are: Gina Scarpello, Martin Garcia, Ashley Block, Dr. Nick Rademacher, Jess Merone, Mary Meleski and Michelle Sherman.

Photo below: Sr. Grace Waters, MSC is hand in hand with Mother Cabrini. The hope is that many on campus will also share a moment with Mother Cabrini.



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6:30pm

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THE MATISSE CHAPEL Art and the Sacred

A TALK AND SLIDE PRESENTATION

June 30, 2016 7:30 pm

Fr. Paul Anel will present a talk about Matisse and the chapel he designed in France. Fr. Anel is a compelling speaker and he will talk from personal experience about the beauty of the space, the power of friendship, and the capacity of art to inspire hope and transcendence.



A native of France, Father Paul Anel is the Art Director of Heart's Home, an international Catholic community of volunteers. Based in Brooklyn, Father Paul leads an extensive and successful outreach program to the artist community. He was ordained a priest in Toulon, France, in June 2010. He celebrated his first Mass in the Matisse Chapel, in Southern France.

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SAVE THE DATE!

Birthday Celebration for Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini

Celebración del cumpleaños de Santa Francisca Javier Cabrini

Saturday, July 23
10 am – 4 pm

Sábado 23 de Julio
10 am – 4 pm



11:00 am
English Mass

Celebrant: Bishop Gerald Walsh

2:00 pm
Misa en Español

Following the family friendly masses there will be a full barbeque - rain or shine - on our beautiful campus. Live music, children's activities and more! Raffle tickets!



Después de las misa en Familia habrá una barbacoa completa - en nuestro hermoso patio. Música en vivo, actividades para los niños y mucho más!

Francesca Cabrini was born on July 15, 1850, in the village of Sant'Angelo. Villagers and members of her family recalled later that just before her birth a flock of white doves circled around high above the house.

Francesca Cabrini nació el 15 de julio de 1850 en el pueblo de Sant'Angelo. Los habitantes del pueblo y sus familiares recordaron posteriormente que justo antes de su nacimiento, una bandada de palomas blancas volaba en círculo sobre la casa.

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Prayer Requests

Liddy Hanemann,

Please remember Liddy Hanemann in your prayers as she is recovering from back surgery. Liddy is the wife of Ardley Hanemann who recently retired as the President of Cabrini High School in New Orleans.

Beverly Lovoie,

Please pray for Beverly, who had a malignant growth removed from her head. Beverly is the sister of Sr. Beryl June Mallaun, MSC.

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Your prayers are asked for Sr. Beryl June who had knee surgery yesterday morning. Please pray that she experiences a swift recovery.

In Loving Memory

John F. Conway

The Cabrinian Community joins the College Community in extending sympathy to Dr. Thomas Conway, Assistant Professor of Teacher Education, on the loss of his father, John F. Conway, who passed away on Sunday, June 19th, 2016. Please pray for the Conway Family at this sad time.

The Update
Summer Schedule
Please make a note.



Summer is officially here and that means a change
in the publication schedule for The Update.
We will publish on June 30th, July 7th and July 21st.

The Update goes on vacation in August, but, you can check for the latest news on
www.mothercabrini.org

Prayer requests are always welcome at cabrininews@mothercabrini.org and will be
published on Thursdays as they are received.