



MISSIONARY SISTERS  
of the SACRED HEART of JESUS  
*Bringing Christ's love to the world*

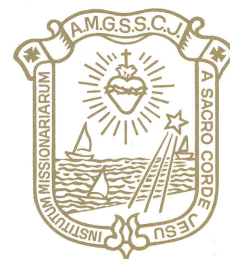
THE UPDATE

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## Missionary Sisters in Ethiopia

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*"I chose you...you are mine"*



With Sr. Diane Dalle Molle, MSC (r.) leading the ceremony, making the profession of their vows are from left: Sr. Bekelech Bassa, MSC, Sr. Meseret Nagamo, MSC, and Sr. Shiaye Esayas, MSC.

The parents and relatives of the three new sisters came to celebrate with them as well as the Missionary Sisters, MSC candidates, aspirants, the parish priests of the new MSCs, our Capuchine brothers and many collaborators of our mission in Dubbo. After ceremony we had a wonderful lunch, with song, dance and joy. The MSCs entrust these three sisters into God's hands and rely on the protection of Saint Frances Cabrini. May the Beloved Jesus bless them, give them strength and wisdom, Cabrinian humility and simplicity to serve Jesus through the poor, as well as to the whole Institute of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. May we continue to support these new sisters so that they can announce, with joy, God's love all over the world, wherever they are sent, especially among the poorest people. All three of the new MSCs were missioned to Swaziland at the end of their profession of vows.

The Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus rejoice in God for the gift of the three new sisters, Bekelech Bassa, Meseret Nagamo and Shiaye Esayas, who pronounced their vows on May 19, 2018, in Dubbo, Ethiopia.

Father Samuel, a Salesian priest and friend, who presided at the celebration, spoke deeply about the missionary life highlighting that making vows is for mission. "Go out and follow Jesus as a unique model."



From left: Sr. Suany Oliveira, MSC, Sr. Maureen Bennett, MSC and Sr. Diane Dalle Molle, MSC sign the official documents of the vows.

In this special feast of the Ascension, in the Ethiopian Calendar, the Missionary Sisters of Sacred Heart thank the Lord for the gift of the Cabrinian consecrated life in the Church and trust as the loving Mother Cabrini trusted: "I can do all things in He who strengthens me" and 'All for the great honor and glory of the Sacred Heart of Jesus'. ~submitted by Sr. Suany Angela de Oliveira, MSC, Novice Director

## Share the Journey: **Meet Our Neighbor**



The 1980's and early 1990's was a tumultuous time in Peru. *Sendero Luminoso* (Shining Path), a Maoist revolutionary group, and the *Movimiento Revolucionario Tupac Amaru – MRTA* (Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement), a Marxist-Leninist group, wreaked havoc in the Andean region and the capital city in its attempt to overthrow the government. Bridges, power plants, tunnels and buildings were constant targets of terrorist events. Thousands of innocent people died as a result of an escalating war between these revolutionary groups and the military. Curfews and blackouts became common, and schools and universities were often closed as the government attempted to “keep terrorist propaganda” from infiltrating young minds.

In this climate, there was little hope for young people to get an education, and young men feared turning eighteen because of the mandatory conscription laws in effect. As a twelve year old boy, my future at home looked bleak.

A relative of mine had migrated to the United States in the late 80's and in 1994 obtained my father's permission for me to move with him. So, at the age of 12, leaving family and friends behind I boarded a plane headed northward. As I crossed the continent my father's words reverberated in my heart, “Javier, you leave as the hope for our family. Do not let anything get in the way of your education.”

Leaving my entire family left a huge void in my heart. The emptiness and loneliness experienced were slowly overcome by the consolations that God sent my way through the Church and friends that surrounded me. Soon after arriving, I became involved in the church, assisting as an altar server with my friends. I met a couple priests and lay women who invited me into small leadership roles in my parish. These experiences nourished my faith and allowed me to see that with God nothing is wasted.

All the obstacles in life I have faced them head on because my faith strengthened and grounded me. To this day I stand because God filled the void in my heart with his overflowing love.

My hope is that together with my wife we will be able to pass on the faith to our children. God has sustained us both through difficult moments. God has done wonders in our lives, and our son and daughter are the prime examples of God's tremendous love for us. I hope the love we give them will transmit our faith and help them overcome any and all obstacles in her life.

~ Justice for Immigrants





## Making History come Alive

Even though the gray skies didn't clear up this past Saturday, we all were smiles as we arrived at the Intrepid in New York City. Thanks to a grant from St. Faith's House Foundation, many of our children and parents from Cabrini Immigrant Services (CIS), Dobbs Ferry, NY, enjoyed a wonderful trip to the Intrepid. This aircraft carrier is home to the space shuttle Enterprise, the Concorde and many aircrafts that were used during wartimes. The submarine, USS Growler, is also located next to the ship.

The children were so interested as they used the interactive exhibits located on the ship. They were able to climb into an actual Bell 47 helicopter, steer the wings of an airplane and use different instruments on a submarine such as a periscope. The Cabrini Kids also got to sit inside a space capsule. They loved having to sit a facing up so they could see straight up into the capsule and see the different monitors and instruments.



Blast off! Two "Cabrini Kids" take a turn at sitting in the space capsule.

Everyone was amazed at the size of the submarine, USS Growler. As you walked through, it was hard to imagine how the crew members were able to live on the submarine for so many months. Everything was compact and you didn't have much room to move around.

We received two special treats while visiting. We met a WWII veteran who not only served on the Intrepid but was on the ship when it was hit by Kamikaze pilots. The Kids loved speaking to him and asking him so many questions. He was so proud to talk about his service to our country. We also met an astronaut. We were able to speak with him before he gave a presentation on his time in space. He said that he spent 160 days in space throughout his career.

Once again, you could hear his pride as he spoke about being part of NASA.

Everyone enjoyed a great day. I know it was a day that our Cabrini Kids will long remember. ~submitted by: Lorraine Campanelli, MS, MSW, Director, CIS, Dobbs Ferry



One of the "Cabrini Kids" and her dad (l.) speak with a World War II veteran who served on the Intrepid air craft carrier.

### A Special Request for Your Prayer Intentions

In June, Fr. Carl Janicki, Cabrini University Chaplain and Director of Campus Ministry, will be leading a pilgrimage to Italy in commemoration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the passing of St. Cabrini into eternal life. On the pilgrimage, Fr. Carl will offer Masses at the various shrines and they will begin the pilgrimage at Sant' Angelo Lodigiano, Mother Cabrini's birthplace.

A pilgrimage tradition, and a tradition associated with visits to sacred shrines, is to bring prayer intentions from people who cannot join the pilgrimage.

If you have a prayer intention(s), please send them via email to Fr. Carl: [cj363@cabrini.edu](mailto:cj363@cabrini.edu) by June 20th. Fr. Carl and those on the pilgrimage will remember your intentions at their Masses.

# *"Blessing of the Hands"*



Blessing the hands that heal and comfort is Fr. Edwin Robinson, OFM, of St. Cabrini Nursing Home, as he anoints each of the nurses.

National Nurses Week is celebrated every year starting on May 6th and ending on May 12th which is the birthday of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing.

Part of the week's celebration at Cabrini of Westchester was the blessing of nurses' hands by Fr. Edwin Robinson, OFM, Director of Pastoral Care. The St. Cabrini Nursing Home and Certified Home Health Care Nurses gathered in the Chapel and participated in the reading of the word of God and singing worship songs. Each nurse extended both hands with palms up and with a small dab of anointing oil, Fr. Edwin offered a blessing and made the sign of the cross on each nurse's palm.



A prayer was offered for all nurses to bring comfort, healing and compassion as they care for and minister to residents and patients to honor and glorify God.

*~submitted by Bonita Burke, Administrator*

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED  
TO ATTEND  
THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF  
*St. Frances Xavier Cabrini's*  
ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018

Please join us as we honor the legacy of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini by celebrating the lives and contributions of Chicago immigrants.

Café Brauer  
2021 N. Stockton Drive  
Chicago, IL 60614

6:00PM: Cocktails and Silent Auction  
7:00PM: Dinner and Live Auction

Tickets: \$175.00 per person  
Business Attire

Kindly RSVP by July 1

For additional information and to purchase tickets, visit:  
<https://www.cabrinationalshrine.org/2018-benefit-dinner>

Complimentary Valet Parking is available





# Degrees of Distinction

On this past Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> Cabrini University held its Graduate and Undergraduate Commencements. Among its 650 graduates, three students hold special distinction: Girum Bekele, Shirley Dixon and Molly Seaman.



Girum Bekele

**Girum Bekele** traveled from his native land of Ethiopia to matriculate at Cabrini University. The Missionary Sisters sponsored Girum as he studied for his Master's in Organizational Leadership. Earning a Master's degree is a notable accomplishment in and of itself, yet, Girum is to be especially commended since he had to undertake his courses in English which is not his native language. In addition to being diligent with his studies, Girum worked in the Provost's Office and the Wolfington Center for Social Justice on campus. Hat's off to you, Girum! You have done exceedingly well.

**Shirley Walker Dixon** - now Dr. Dixon - has the distinction of being the first-ever three time graduate of Cabrini (College) University. Shirley received her Bachelor's (1984) and her Master's (1989) in Education from Cabrini and now, she is the very first person to graduate from the newly established doctoral program in educational leadership, making this her third degree from Cabrini. Dr. Dixon, a member of Cabrini University's Board of Trustees, has been inspirational with her tenacity, her dedication to the University, and her advocacy for all students, particularly, students of color.

Congratulations, Dr. Dixon!



Shirley Walker Dixon, Ed.D.



Molly Seaman (2<sup>nd</sup> l.) with her family, her sister Hannah (l.), father Tim and mother JoAnn.

**Molly Seaman** from the time of her birth has been immersed in the Cabrinian charism. She practically grew up at the Mother Cabrini Shrine in Golden, CO, where her mother, JoAnn, serves as the Director of Development. So it was fitting that Molly chose to pursue her higher education at Cabrini University. During her years as a Communications major, Molly earned many academic awards and honors among them Who's Who at Cabrini, and the Mother Ursula Award, named for the founding president of Cabrini College. This is the only campus award given to a student that is voted on by his/her peers. The Mother Ursula Award honors a senior, who in opinion of his or her classmates, has best fulfilled the ideals of the University through academic achievement, participation in extracurricular activities, leadership and service to fellow classmates and the University. The University's motto is "Live With Purpose" and Molly has surely done that and is poised to do extraordinarily well in the next chapters of her life. Blessings always and best wishes, Molly.

## Groundbreaking News!

On Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, Cabrini University trustees, administrators, faculty and staff gathered to break ground for a new 180-bed residence hall on campus. Sr. Grace Waters, MSC offered the opening reflection and participated in the ceremonial groundbreaking. The residence hall will welcome students for the 2019 – 2020 academic year.

Construction will also commence immediately for a 130 car parking structure on campus enabling the paths of the campus center to be pedestrian friendly.



**Photo above:** From left – Howard Holden, special projects coordinator; Bob Jara, Trustee and Chair, Board Fiscal Integrity Committee; Dr. Donald B. Taylor, Cabrini University President; and Sr. Grace Waters, MSC place the ceremonial shovels in the ground at the site of the new residence hall.



**Photo left:** Architectural renderings of the new residence hall and parking structure. Construction will begin immediately on the Radnor campus. Completion is anticipated in 2019.

### One Minute Meditation

A divine plan for our life is continually unfolding. When we seek to align ourselves with God's will for us, we are aligning ourselves with this master plan. For every circumstance, there is an outworking that is in our best interest. God is quietly and constantly acting on our behalf. As children of God, if we cooperate, God is able to bring blessings to our lives. God has given us a world that is rich with opportunities and blessings. To receive them, we need only cooperate, affirming by our actions and prayers that we are God's children and worthy of all good that comes to us. There is no lack in God's kingdom. We have faith in God's generosity.

Julia Cameron – *Faith and Will*  
Words of Grace



Please join us for the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Mother Cabrini Shrine

## Gala

Friday, June 15

Pinnacle Club at the Grand Hyatt  
555 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Denver, CO

Cocktails and Silent Auction 5:30 pm  
Dinner, Awards & Live Auction 7:30 pm

Summer/Business Casual Attire

To purchase tickets or sponsor tables..

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# Cabrini Mission Foundation

## **Bowling FUNdraiser!**



The Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Cabrini Mission Foundation  
Board of Trustees invite you to the

**4th annual Bowling FUNdraiser!**

**Tuesday, June 26, 2018**

Arrival: 6:00 pm   Start Time: 6:30 pm   End Time: 9:00 pm

### **BowlMor Lanes Chelsea Piers**

Pier 60 – 23rd St and West Side Highway

By Car: Chelsea Piers (Hourly) Parking Available

By Train: A/C/E to 23rd St (8th Ave) and walk to West Side Hwy

By Bus: M23 Crosstown

*Join us for a casual, fun evening of bowling!*

Lanes, Shoe Rental, Pizza, Dessert, Wine, Beer, and Soft Drinks included.

**Individual Bowler: \$100**

**RSVP by June 12, 2018**

For more information on tickets and sponsorship opportunities please call or visit:

**212-228-8608 or [www.cabrinifoundation.org](http://www.cabrinifoundation.org)**



# Prayer Requests

## ***Sr. Bernadette Casciano, MSC***

Please keep Sr. Bernadette in your prayers as she recovers from a cardiac procedure at NYU Medical Center. She is doing well and is recuperating at Sacred Heart Convent in New York City.

## ***Milena Encarnacion***

Sr. Candida Encarnacion, MSC is asking for prayers for her sister Milena Encarnacion. Milena is not feeling very well at this time. Please hold her in your thoughts.

## ***Robert Olmstead***

Your continuing prayers are invited for Robert “Bob” Olmstead, the father of Sr. Diane Olmstead, MSC, Provincial, Guadalupe Province. Sr. Diane and her family would be most grateful for your prayers.

## ***Sr. Regina Palamara, MSC***

Sr. Regina is doing well following her surgery. She is at home recuperating and is thankful for our continuing prayers.

## ***Lynn Panetta***

Your prayers are asked for Lynn, the sister of Cabrini University trustee and alumna, Claire Roth '69, who underwent successful shoulder surgery yesterday. Pray that Lynn will continue to recover uneventfully.

# In Loving Memory

## ***Sr. Adeodata Gatti, MSC***

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sr. Adeodata, who was called home to God on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. She will be missed not only by her religious community but also by the many residents and staff at St. Cabrini Nursing Home who have come to know her these past 21 years. Her Mass of the Resurrection will be on Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at St. Cabrini Nursing Home in Dobbs Ferry, NY.

## ***Vilma Beatriz Iguiniz de Rosa***

The Cabrini University Community extends sympathy to Raquel Green, Assistant Professor of Spanish, on the loss of her sister, Vilma Beatriz Iguiniz de Rosa, who passed away in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Please keep Raquel and her family in your prayers.

## ***Veterans of All Wars***

In the United States of America on Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, we observe Memorial Day in memory and in honor of all those who have given their lives and who have served their country in the defense of freedom. Let us give thanks for the sacrifices made by these heroic men and women and for their families who endure much hardship in their absence.

