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After Supreme Court Win, What's Next for Dreamers?

~ by J.D. Long-Garcia, *America Magazine*, July 22, 2020

Last month, the Supreme Court [halted](#) the Trump administration's plan to end the [Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals](#) policy. DACA, instituted by the Obama administration, protects undocumented immigrants brought to the United States as children from deportation. But advocates for DACA recipients, known as Dreamers, did not take much time off to celebrate.

The court decision came as a surprise, according to José Arnulfo Cabrera, the Director of Education and Advocacy for Migration for the Ignatian Solidarity Network. He called it a positive development, but he also noted that it has taken pressure off Congress to protect Dreamers.



DACA supporters in San Diego. CNS photo/Mike Blake/ Reuters

“DACA was always a temporary Band-Aid on a deep wound in our immigration system,” Mr. Cabrera said. An [650,000 immigrants](#) are currently DACA recipients. And on Friday, a federal judge ruled that the Trump administration must now accept [new DACA applications](#).

But, Mr. Cabrera, a DACA recipient himself, noted that the Supreme Court decision suggested there was a proper way to end the policy through executive action. In its 5 to 4 decision, the court simply found that the Trump administration did not follow proper procedures when it announced an end to the program in 2017. Mr. Cabrera expressed doubts about a legislative solution. Advocates for the Dreamers have been lobbying the Senate to take action, but the pandemic has complicated those efforts, he said. In June, 15 representatives of Jesuit parishes and organizations organized a [virtual day of action](#) to lobby for support on Capitol Hill, joined by an aide to Sen. Bob Menendez, a Democrat from New Jersey.

The current status of Dreamers is not sustainable, according to Christopher Kerr, the Executive Director of the Ignatian Solidarity Network. “It’s a mixed bag. It’s hard for them to find trust in the president’s remarks [in] the last few weeks,” he said. “Everyone is extremely cautious. What else will be a part of the executive action that could impact their families?”

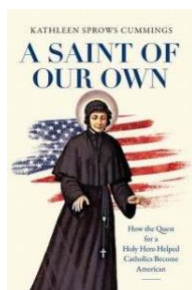
The U.S. House passed legislation to create a [pathway to citizenship](#) for Dreamers last year, but the Senate has yet to take it up. To read the complete article click [here](#)

Dynamic History of US Church Threads this Book on Sainthood

~ by Mary Beth Fraser Connolly, National Catholic Reporter

This book review and image of Cabrini appeared on the homepage of the NCR website on July 22nd.

What does it mean to be an American and a Catholic? This question Catholics have sought to answer for themselves and for their Protestant neighbors for much of the 19th and early 20th centuries. Kathleen Sprows Cummings offers a new and thought-provoking interpretation of American Catholic identity and belonging in her book, *A Saint of Our Own: How the Quest for a Holy Hero Helped Catholics Become American*. Tracing various causes for canonization with the goal of gaining an American saint, Cummings shows that the canonization process revealed how "Catholics defined, defended, and celebrated their identities as Americans."



A SAINT OF OUR OWN: HOW THE QUEST FOR A HOLY HERO HELPED CATHOLICS BECOME AMERICAN

By Kathleen Sprows Cummings

320 pages; University of North Carolina Press; 2019

\$28.00

Cummings' study of the desire for a national saint, or "holy hero," traces various causes for canonization including John Neumann, Philippine Duchesne, **Frances Cabrini**, Kateri Tekakwitha, Theodore Guerin and Elizabeth Ann Seton, among others. These holy heroes are the central figures of Cummings' work through which she deftly interprets the evolving canonization process, the many personalities involved, and the motivations behind the desire for an American saint. Canonization prior to 1983 was directed through a male procurator, and the American causes for saints developed when the U.S. church had "powerful bishops who could lobby the Holy See in support of American priorities." The various causes championed by U.S. Catholics represented differing American values, but they also served as the potential best chance for success in Rome. Who was the better candidate, **Mother Cabrini**, John Neumann or Elizabeth Seton?

A cause for canonization is not an easy feat, nor historically a quick process free of political, gender and cultural challenges, as *A Saint of Our Own* clearly indicates. Seton's cause opened in 1882, but she was not canonized until 1975. **Mother Cabrini's journey to sainthood was quicker, beginning in 1933 and ending in 1946 when Pope Pius XII canonized her.** Cummings does more than provide insights into the canonization process; she advances our understanding of American Catholic history. To read the entire book review click [here](#)

A Key Learning Opportunity on Immigration

July 30th – 2:00 – 3:15 pm **CST**

PASTORAL MIGRATORIA ONLINE SUMMER SERIES | VIRTUAL PANEL

“DACA and the Process of Creating Systemic Change” (English)

Thursday, July 30, 2020 | 2 – 3:15 p.m. (CST)

Presenters:



				
Dr. Donna Carroll President, Dominican University	Mark G. Kuczewski, PHD, HEC-C Director at the Neiswanger Institute for Bioethics and Health Policy at Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine	Fr. Guillermo Campuzano, CM Vice President of Mission and Ministry at DePaul University	Ashely Feasley, Director of Policy, U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops, Office for Justice for Immigrants	Elizabeth Collier, Professor of Business Ethics at Dominican University

The National Institute of Pastoral Migratoria has invited us to the following event. All are encouraged to register and attend, understanding the situation with DACA is one of the issues important to those of us advocating for our immigrant brothers and sisters.

The National Institute of Pastoral Migratoria invites you to participate in this panel that will provide insight into how personal encounter with immigrants can be a catalyst for systematic change in higher education institutions. Dr. Donna Carroll will share her journey in accompanying undocumented students and making Dominican University a sanctuary campus. Dr. Mark Kuczewski will share his experience in opening doors for undocumented students to pursue their vocations in medical school at Loyola University. Fr. Guillermo Campuzano will highlight DePaul University's long-standing work with immigrants that has inspired other universities to develop systems that welcome and support DACA students and to continue working for systemic change. Ashley Feasley will give an overview regarding the current DACA policy reality to engage the public in advocacy action.

~ with thanks to Nancy Golen, Executive Director, Cabrini Retreat Center

To register, please use the following - [Link](#)

Vocational Awakening in Denver

"In its ministry to young people, and especially in vocations promotion work, church workers must step out of the sacristy and take seriously the questions and concerns of the young. Young people are searching for meaning, and the best response is to go out to where they are, stop and listen to them and then call them to follow Jesus".
~ Pope Francis

The Holy Spirit Community in Denver had a beautiful vocational experience in our Mother Cabrini Shrine on Sunday, July 19, 2020. It was a "Come and See" experience in which eleven young women who have expressed to Sr. Martha Lopez, MSC their desire and their thoughts about the possibility of religious life. They came to dedicate a day to the discernment of their vocation.

After living the Eucharist together, the young women had spaces for personal reflection, silence, and solitude. There were also moments to share their doubts, expectations, and concerns.



Gathering at the Mother Cabrini Shrine in Golden, CO, eleven young ladies participated in a 'Come and See' vocation experience hosted by Sr. Lucy Panettieri, MSC (c. left) and Sr. Martha Lopez, MSC, (seated r.)

A Come and See program allows young women to gain better insights into religious life by providing an opportunity to converse and interact with Missionary Sisters, ask questions, pray, and silently reflect on God's call.

MSC Vocation Director Sr. Lucy Panettieri, MSC shared her own vocation story in a youthful and open way. The young ladies had many questions and all were discussed and answered. They were happy and excited and asked to make a weekend "Come and See" in the near future. In addition, they were invited to come to our house to speak personally with Sr. Lucy and receive close vocational support from her. Our novice, Tigist Loha, shared her lunch hour with them since she was working in the Shrine that day. She integrated herself spontaneously, which encouraged and motivated our young women.

Let us continue to pray for these young women and for all those who are discerning their religious vocation. Let us remember what was said in the Synod of Bishops on youth and vocations: "It is necessary to accompany young people, walk with them, listen to them, provoke them, move them to go beyond the comforts, favoring freedom so that they respond to the call of the Lord freely and responsibly".

~ submitted by Sr. Martha Lopez, MSC on behalf of the Holy Spirit Community, Denver, CO

Happy Birthday, Mother Cabrini!



The birthday treats have arrived! Dishing up some birthday fun for the residents are from left: Connie Gallagher, Sheri Gottlieb and Lorraine Campanelli.

Cabrini of Westchester celebrated the 170th birthday of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini with several festive activities for both residents and staff. A special Mass, with live music, took place in the St. Cabrini Nursing Home Chapel and was televised throughout the nursing home for the residents to participate from their rooms.

A rolling ice cream cart delivered a tasty treat for residents and staff to satisfy sweet cravings! As an added touch, gift cards were raffled off to staff on each shift from a donation previously given in honor of employees.

A display in the lobby provided everyone

the opportunity to give Mother Cabrini a gift on her birthday, either a monetary one or a donation of non-perishable food, which will be delivered to the Dobbs Ferry Food Pantry of which many of Cabrini Immigrant Services' clients benefit. A box of food was collected and \$200.00 in donations were

received that will benefit many families in our community. Thank you to all that participated and contributed to this happy day!

~ submitted by Susan Herveg, Cabrini of Westchester



Nothing says 'birthday celebration' quite like ice cream and St. Cabrini Nursing Home resident Teresa Giammette apparently agrees!



Administrator Bonnie Burke, (r.) presents an Amazon gift card to raffle winner Stephanie Mondello, LPN.

Summer Virtual Sacred Space

@ Cabrini Retreat Center

Many teens have been unable to make their long awaited Kairos Retreat in the spring and summer. While there is no way to replace the 4-day retreat experience, Cabrini Retreat Center in Des Plaines, IL, has been able to offer "virtual sacred space" as a way to keep the spirit of Kairos (which means God's time) alive.

Today's youth have grown up communicating through social media, which is a blessing in this era of physical social distancing. Teens now experience a much needed "Cabrini welcome" in a new form.

Cabrini Sisters and friends are welcome to view posts and encouraged to "like us" Posts can be found on Instagram at [@cabriniretreatcenter](#) and on Facebook at [Cabrini Retreat Center Kairos Connections](#).



Kairos retreatants at Cabrini Retreat Center – pre COVID.

Below is a sample posting:

Cabrini Retreat Center Kairos Connections
Published by Frances Cabrini · July 8 ·

"Not only did Cabrini house me for 3 1/2 days, it changed my life. That building allows for exponential growth amongst groups of teenagers, and it begins to feel like a second home. Cabrini is staffed with very welcoming staff members who will go above and beyond to make you feel comfortable while you stay there! On my Kairos retreat, I was given the opportunity to grow closer with people in my grade, and I wouldn't have had time to do that if it wasn't for Cabrini opening their doors to us. Each and every moment at Cabrini felt like a different universe; the air truly is better at Cabrini."

-Ava Davis (@avadaviss on Instagram)



Candles depict the Kairos symbol.



GREAT NEWS!

The Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Cabrini Mission Foundation are here to thank you all for your most generous support of our recent virtual candle campaign honoring our beloved Mother Cabrini on her 170th Birthday.

Your donations have graciously given us over **\$20,000.00**.
We have exceeded our goal which is so much appreciated.
These funds will allow us to continue the great works of our mission, honoring our foundress,
Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini.
Thank you for your love.



www.cabrinifoundation.org

From the Province Vocation Promotion Team...

We continue to explore the different facets of religious life based on the 2020 NRVC-CARA Study on Recent Vocations to Religious Life. This week we conclude our look at:

A Call to Define Community

~ by Sr. Mary Johnson, SN de N

In terms of community size, newly professed religious prefer at least eight members. This can be explained by a variety of factors – e.g. socialization in the family or in education. Larger group size has the possibility of permitting greater support and a wider network, as well as more apostolic outreach. This is not a new finding, as this was seen in the 2009 study of newer members as well and it is not likely to change any time soon. In fact, the desire for community living and the need to hone communal living skills will probably increase by the time the next study is conducted.

In addition, newer members desire intergenerational living – 93 percent prefer to live with members of different ages. They are not deterred by the current demographics of religious life in this country, with 13 percent over age 90, and the rest in between. Newer members also prefer to live interculturally.



Some religious institutes have communities the size and makeup that

According to the most recent NRVC study, living in intergenerational communities is the preference of newly professed religious members.

newer members desire, but others do not. There are many and varied definitions of community in religious life today, some shaped by the histories, charisms, and ministerial demands of institutes. The reality of the lack of housing availability and affordability in some places, and even local zoning, creates constraints. Definitions of community and desire for community living sometimes differ along generational lines. To meet these challenges and needs, new definitions of community have arisen, and new attempts to make connections between and among religious communities are being made. Community in some locales is defined as a connection between individuals living alone or in small groups. The word is also used sometimes to describe a province or congregation.

For all these reasons, it is clear from the study that it is incumbent on each institute to articulate the value that community is for members and the ways that community is manifest within their institute. Only then can interested women and men get the information they need for their discernment. My hope is that the study will spur us forward in fruitful conversation and action to nurture the gift of new members to religious life.

Prayer Requests

Dr. Tamarah Smith-Dyer

Kindly keep Dr. Smith-Dyer in your prayers. A former faculty member at Cabrini University, she is beginning treatment for breast cancer. May all be well.

Rose Ann McAfee

Prayers are requested by Rita Ratzlaff for her sister-in-law Rose Ann McAfee who is suffering with leukemia. Please pray that Ms. McAfee may soon be healed.

Dr. Nancy Rush

Please remember Dr. Rush in your prayers. Dr. Rush is a Professor Emerita at Cabrini University. She recently had a nasty fall and is now recovering at her home. Nancy's daughter, Missy, says that her mother would be so grateful for the prayers of the Cabrinian community.

Onorino Stella

Your prayers are asked for Onorino Stella, the brother of Sr. Joaquina Costa, MSC, who is hospitalized and very ill in Brazil. Please pray for his comfort.



In Loving Memory

Florence Kelly Luchen

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Florence Luchen, family member of Nancy Costello in the Province Communications Office. Florence recently celebrated her 90th birthday surrounded by her family and passed away after a brief illness. May she rest in peace.

Melanie

Please unite in prayer for Melanie, the cousin of Sr. Joaquina Costa, MSC, who recently passed away in Brazil. May she live in God's eternal light

Kathleen Ryan Peterson '68

The Cabrini University community mourns the passing of alumna Kathleen Ryan Peterson, Class of 1968. Kathleen was the sister of Mary Ryan Zanolli, Cabrini College, Class of 1972. Please pray for the Peterson, Zanolli and Ryan families at this sad time.

Roberto Velazquez

Kindly pray for the repose of the soul of Roberto Velazquez, who passed away this week on Monday, July 20th in Puerto Rico. Roberto was the father of Dr. Belinda Velazquez, who was at his side when he went home to God. May he rest in God's eternal peace.



The Update is Going On Vacation

This is the final edition of The Update for the summer season. The Update will resume publication on
Thursday, September 10th.

Prayer requests are always welcome.

Kindly send them to:

Cabrini-news@mothercabrini.org

The prayer listing will be published on Thursdays
as the requests are received.

Until September, we will continue
to hold one another in prayer.

Please keep up the good work to quell this virus: keep
washing your hands, wearing your mask and maintaining
your social distancing.

Be safe. Be well.