



June 3, 2021

June 11 is the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is devotion to Jesus Christ Himself, but in the particular ways of meditating on his interior life and on His threefold love -- His divine love, His burning love that fed His human will, and His sensible love that affects His interior life.

Christ crucified is the revelation of the Father's glory. Understanding this splendid revelation fills our hearts with the unique joy of being loved and participating in the salvation of the kingdom. This was the message entrusted by the Sacred Heart of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, calling us to render love for love, to make amends for the indifference and the coldness of so many hearts, to free our own hearts from egoism and violence. We learn from the Sacred Heart of Jesus what it means to give ourselves to the world. ~ *Frances Cabrini: Remembering the Journey*



For Mother Cabrini, steps, words, movements, thoughts were the field of action in which the Heart of Jesus could work, especially in souls who were open in expectant and faithful love. Joyful intimacy with the Sacred Heart of Jesus, an abundant communion of love, is available to everyone. Those who love Jesus are happy when He is loved by others, but at the same time, they desire their own love to grow. ~ *Frances Cabrini: Remembering the Journey*

Let us pray:

Oh, Sacred Heart of Jesus, may we be patient and persevering in times of desolation, trusting that your love and grace will be ever present.

May we be grateful for the gift of your consolation and let it invigorate our faith, our hope, and our love.

May we always discern for this "work of your heart" in the light of your good spirit and hold firm in times of discouragement and darkness. We ask this, O Jesus, trusting in your promise. Amen.

~ *from Qualities of Discerning Hearts compiled by Sr. Patricia Spillane, MSC*

Serving at the US-Mexico Border: Missionary Sisters Are Pro-active

~ from Cabrini Mission Foundation website

The Cabrini Mission Foundation has a long history of working with migrants and displaced people. Responding to the Gospel call for justice and love, honoring the Catholic Social Teachings on the dignity of all persons, and continuing the legacy of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Patroness of Immigrants, the Cabrini Mission Foundation is committed to:

- **WELCOME** as brothers and sisters all immigrants to the lands in which we are missioned.
- **SUPPORT** the rights of all persons to flee political, religious, or economic persecution; and support the basic human rights and dignity of all persons regarding: food, shelter, health care, employment at just wages, religious freedom and also honoring their customs and traditions.
- **EDUCATE** others and ourselves about the needs of immigrants.
- **RE-EXAMINE** political laws and regulations in the light of these justice issues and to work to change those that do not meet human needs.
- **WORK** in solidarity with immigrants and with others who share our values and beliefs to promote justice and compassion for all immigrants.



Led by Sr. Pietrina Raccuglia, MSC the Cabrini Mission Foundation has made two trips to the State of Texas at the United States and Mexican border. These visits gave us the opportunity to create partnerships and launch new

programmatic initiatives, despite not having a physical presence at the border. The Cabrini Mission Foundation has maintained a proactive approach to the border crisis throughout the pandemic.

While political realities change, the truth remains. Displaced people, who have fled their home due to conflict, crime, persecution, poverty or simply in hope of a fresh start and better life are often preyed upon, during their arduous journey.

The Cabrini Mission Foundation in partnership with Angry Tias & Abuelas of the Rio Grande Valley, Pastor Abraham Barberi of One Mission Ministries as well as Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley, is sponsoring the opening of a new shelter for asylum seekers in Matamoros, Mexico.

This is the third shelter at the border with whom the Cabrini Mission Foundation has partnered. Thanks to our generous donors we are grateful to be able to provide a safe environment, warm meals, clean water, a roof over their heads to protect them from the weather and a clean bed to sleep. The shelter is housing over 100 people as they await entry to the United States.

To date, the Cabrini Mission Foundation has provided funds for the building of a well, bunk beds, Covid-19 protective items such as face masks, hand sanitizer, and Clorox wipes. We have also provided requested clothing items such as socks and underwear, in addition to disposable paper products; plates, napkins, cups and towels. As shelter needs grow, we are now looking into the purchase of a commercial refrigerator and freezer. To learn more please click [here](#)

A Feast Day Message

According to the Gospel of John 19:33, when Jesus was dying on the cross “one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once, there came out blood and water.” The celebration of the Sacred Heart is associated with physical sacrifice the mystery of both blood and water pouring from Christ’s chest, and the devotion God asks from humankind. Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is devotion to Jesus Christ himself. **Jesus’ Heart goes out to you. He does not hide his love.**

Devotion to the Sacred Heart is the top devotion of all devotions. It is the awareness of God’s love that inspires all prayers and devotions. It’s the mystery of God’s love for us as His Heart continues to reach out for us. His heart was open and always remains open for all of us.



The Heart of Jesus is the fountain of love that seals our hearts to achieve our destiny. Our God has a deep desire to unite his heart with our won. Your prayer, attitude and reflection will foster and deepen your relationship with the Heart of Christ!

The mystery of the Sacred Heart compelled Mother Cabrini to understand

human hearts and to respond in concrete ways as an instrument of God’s love.



Sr. Bridget Zanin, MSC

To view a video message from Sr. Bridget Zanin, MSC, Executive Director of the National Shrine of St. Frances X. Cabrini, please [click here](#)

Memorare to the Sacred Heart

Remember, O most sweet Jesus, that no one who has had recourse to thy Sacred Heart, implored its help or sought its mercy was ever abandoned. Encouraged with confidence, O tenderest of hearts, we present ourselves before Thee. O Sacred Heart of Jesus, despise not our simple prayers, but mercifully grant our requests. Amen.

Month of May

Rosary for Covid 19 Healing Concludes

~ by Cindy Wooden, Catholic News Service

VATICAN CITY (CNS) – At a prayer service on May 31st in the Vatican Gardens, Pope Francis concluded the Catholic Church’s monthlong rosary marathon with special prayers to Mary, Undoer of Knots, one of his favorite titles for the mother of Jesus.

Pope Francis and his guests prayed that Mary will “untie the knots that oppress us materially and spiritually so that we can witness with joy to her son, our Lord Jesus Christ,” said a Vatican news release.

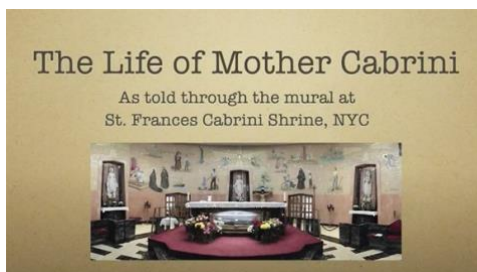
Pope Francis entrusted to the Blessed Virgin five prayer intentions, five knots to undo,” the statement said. The five are: injured relationships; unemployment; violence, especially domestic violence; universal access to healthcare and vaccines; and the need for renewed pastoral enthusiasm and outreach.

The rosary in the Vatican Gardens concluded a month of special recitations of the rosary from Marian shrines and parishes around the world, all with the intention of asking Mary’s intercession to help end the coronavirus pandemic and to give strength to people working to end it or suffering its effects. To read the entire article please click [here](#)



A painting of Mary, Undoer of Knots, hangs within the Knotted Grotto at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul in Philadelphia during the World Meeting of Families in September 2015.

(CNS photo/Carley Mossbrook)



Illuminating Mother Cabrini’s Life

The St. Frances X. Cabrini Shrine in New York City has been working on finding new ways to help people learn about Mother Cabrini’s life. Click on the link below to access a short video which is the first of several that visitors will be available to choose from in either Spanish or English on the screen in our museum. ~submitted by Julia Attaway, Executive Director

To watch the video, please click [here](#)
Para ver el video en español, haga clic [aquí](#)

Exciting News at Mother Cabrini Shrine

At the Mother Cabrini Shrine in Golden, CO, our newly renovated and expanded gift shop is open! We invite you to come and see the beautiful, new space and shop our great selection of religious articles and merchandise. The gift shop is open every day of the week from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.



From artist's rendering – photo below - to reality – photo above: the larger gift shop will allow for a wider selection of devotional materials and keepsakes.



Campaign Update

The gift shop and conference room are part of a capital campaign project for the Shrine and this completes the first phase. We are so grateful to everyone who has contributed thus far! We hope to begin the next phase of construction with the remodel and expansion of the chapel in November.

Please join us in praying for the Shrine and the success of our campaign. To learn more about the campaign and the further expansion plans please click [here](#)

~ submitted by JoAnn Seaman, Mother Cabrini Shrine

Crayons, Beans and Chalk...Intergenerational Tools!

Cabrini Immigrant Services (CIS) Dobbs Ferry, NY, offered a workshop, via Zoom, for some of our parents. The workshop was held once a week for 4 weeks. CIS wanted to help the parents work with their children when they arrive home from school as well as preparing their younger children who are still at home.



Homework workshop presenters and participants gather via Zoom.

them in their schoolwork. They also received crayons, beans, sidewalk chalk, play dough, etc. All these items were used to show how learning can be fun. It also allowed the children to not be on a computer but rather learning by doing. For example, the beans help the children learn to count, the play-dough helps them to create a letter or a number.

The workshop was presented in English and Spanish. Thank you to Cindy Ambrosio, MSW, a former social work intern at CIS, who translated into Spanish. We are grateful that she was able to assist.

The participants were very happy with the workshop and asked that we continue to offer programs that help them, help their children.

~submitted by: Lorraine Campanelli, Director, CIS – Dobbs Ferry, NY



Donna Marie Lasco, a NYS certified teacher, created this workshop to help some of our CIS Moms. Each week, the Moms would come to CIS to pick up the needed supplies for each workshop. The first week, everyone received the book, Mango, Abuela, and Me by Meg Medina. Mrs. Lasco showed them how to ask questions of their children while reading the book. This skill would help them improve their reading skills as well as help



All smiles...one of the Cabrini Moms holding a story booklet workshop participants were asked to create about their families. They illustrated the booklets, as well.

From the Guadalupe Province Vocation Team...

Intercultural Spirituality

~ by Sr. Sophia Park, SNJM in HORIZON from NRVC

Intercultural spirituality involves both learning and unlearning. It challenges how we use language and even steps away from an emphasis on doing. Over the next few editions of The Update we will be exploring this important topic.

Part Two – Intercultural Living as a Learning Process

People often ask how we reach a certain level of intercultural living, assuming specific methods exist. However, there is no one fixed way. Instead, it is an ongoing process of learning and unlearning. Learning means embracing newness and, as a consequence, enhancing our capacity to live interculturally. Unlearning indicates a process of noticing any self-centered or Euro-American way of speech, thought and action. More importantly, it is not a matter of right or wrong, but rather a matter of learning and loving.

Let me delineate some elements of intercultural spirituality as a movement: from logo-centric to pneuma-centric, from being grounded to turning, and from doing to being – all of which involve learning and unlearning.



When we have a conversation with a person in vocational discernment, we encounter the enormity of people, history and culture as a matter of truth. Out of ignorance, we assume that we see what the person before us sees. However, each one sees things from his or her own perspective. Psychoanalyst Jacques Lacan used the word ‘gaze’ to indicate that our viewpoint is limited and slanted, although we may not fully acknowledge it.

Humans are situated as part of society and language mainly controls subjectivity. Also the gaze pre-exists as a specific prejudice or fantasy toward strangers. For example, when one has a particular image of Asians, one will tend to see the person according to that image, rather than seeing the person as a particular being. Similarly, we unconsciously assume the person that we encounter carries a life experience similar to ours.

From logo-centric to pneuma-centric life

As institutions, religious communities tend to be “logos-centered,” which means they rely heavily on language and symbols in comprehension and communication. The way of thinking, speaking, and acting stems from language, and very often, language as an operating system determines whether a particular person or group is accepted. We religious tend to seal our indemnity through a mission statement, constitution, or Chapter acts. Often, those words are distant from the lived experiences of the members of the community. The language functions as a controller within the system; we are situated by the grammar regarding thinking and acting.

In our intercultural engagement, the dominant language functions as a standard of judgment. Members who do not speak the primary language are expected to translate all communication into their different language systems. The more the primary language conveys a closed meaning and represents authority, the more people who reside outside of that language experience an emotional alienation and disconnection and sense of inferiority. The person whose native language is not the primary language can feel distant from affection and from the decision-making process. However, we all know that communities need a primary language for communication. Then, how can we handle this dilemma? *To be continued in the June 17 edition of The Update.*

The Update – Publication Notice

Due to scheduling in the Guadalupe Province Communications Office there **will not** be an edition of The Update on June 10th.

The Update will resume on Thursday, June 17th.

We wish the Missionary Sisters, CLMs and all members of the Cabrinian community a joyful Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Novena to the Sacred Heart



This year, the Feast of the Sacred Heart will be celebrated on Friday, June 11th. On this sacred occasion, the Missionary Sisters renew their solemn vows and the Cabrini Lay Missionaries renew their commitments. It is a day of great joy and festivity in the Institute.

To prepare our hearts for the Feast Day, please join in the Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

To access the Novena on our website please click [here](#)

Prayer Requests

Cabrini Lay Missionaries

As we celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart we give thanks for and ask blessings upon the Cabrini Lay Missionaries (CLM) who live their baptismal commitment as a special call from God and share the missionary ideals of Mother Cabrini, living mercy, compassion and reconciliation.



On this year's Feast Day five women will make their first commitment as CLMs: **Sheny Hinestroza Maquin; Digna Merchan; Veronica Hernandez Perez; Victoria Ortiz Perez and Susan Pierson.**

We ask continued blessings upon our current Cabrini Lay Missionaries: **Lorraine Campanelli, Director; Patricia Krasnausky; Vicky Lucio; Marianne McGowan*; Melanie Paccillo; Adela Jarquin Soza*; and Patricia Stancato-Purkey.** *Adela and Marianne are renewing their commitments for three years.

John McCormick

Your prayers are requested for John McCormick, age 94, who needs prayers for a peaceful death. Mr. McCormick is the first cousin of Sr. Grace Waters, MSC. Please pray for his comfort and serenity at this time.

Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

On the solemn and glorious Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus we ask God's special blessing upon the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and their Institute. May the Sacred Heart walk with them, stay by their side, and protect and guide them and their ministries.

Please keep the MSCs in your prayers today and always as they serve the people of God.



In Loving Memory

Glenn E. Lambert, Jr., MD

Please join in praying for the repose of the soul of Glenn E. Lambert, Jr., M.D. on Wednesday, May 26th. Dr. Lambert is the father of Madeleine Lambert Lane and father-in-law of Greg Lane, the Chief Financial Officer of the Generalate/Institute. Dr. Lambert is a beloved husband of Carol Zehnder Lambert, loving father of Madeleine, and a dedicated physician. Kindly keep the Lambert and Lane families in your prayers as they mourn his passing.

Ione Moscardini

Your thoughts and prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Ione Moscardini, the grandmother of Tatiana Paradiso of the Generalate Communications Office. Please keep the Moscardini and Paradiso families in your prayers during this sad time.