



September 9, 2021

Pope Francis: Care for Creation

~ by Carol Glatz, Catholic New Service; Earth Beat of the National Catholic Reporter

The recent extreme weather events and natural disasters show humanity is now paying the price of how it has been treating creation, said a joint message by three Christian leaders, including Pope Francis.

For the sake of younger generations and their future, “we must choose to eat, travel, spend, invest differently, thinking not only of immediate interest and gains but also of future benefits,” the message said.

The joint message was signed by the Pope, Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople, an early leader in the Christian ecology movement, and Anglican Archbishop Justin Welby of Canterbury, England.

“This is the first time that the three of us feel compelled to address together the urgency of environmental sustainability, its

impact on persistent poverty and the importance of global cooperation, said the joint message dated September 1, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and it marks the monthlong Season of Creation, which runs until October 4, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology.

“Together, on behalf of our communities, we appeal to the heart and mind of every Christian, every believer and every person of goodwill. We pray for our leaders who will gather in Glasgow, [Scotland for the United Nations climate conference in November.]

“Today, we are paying the price. The extreme weather and natural disasters of recent months reveal afresh to us with great force and at great human cost that climate change is not only a future challenge, but an immediate and urgent matter of survival,” the statement said.

“Tomorrow could be worse. Today’s children and teenagers will face catastrophic consequences unless we take responsibility now as ‘fellow workers with God’ to sustain our world,” so for the sake of future generations Christians choose to live sustainably and be committed to prayer and dedicated to action “for a future which corresponds ever more to the promises of God.”

To read the complete article, please click [here](#)



The Amazon jungle being cleared by loggers and farmers. (CNS photo/Veslei Marcelino, Reuters)

EVACUATION PLAN!

~ by Sister Renee Kittelson MSC



Sr. Renee Kittelson, MSC

I moved to New Orleans in 2017 to assist with Campus Ministry at Cabrini High School. It was a wonderful job. New Orleans is so friendly and Catholic. The downside of living there is the long hurricane season and the prospect of an evacuation.

Many years ago, when the Ursuline Sisters were missioned to New Orleans from France, they brought a small statue of Mary under that title of Our Lady of Prompt Succor. It is believed that through the intercession of Our Lady under that title, a fire that was about to destroy their convent was averted and through her intercession that the Battle of New Orleans was won. After the battle General Jackson went to the convent to thank the sisters for their prayers.

Every hurricane season I sought the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, Patron of New Orleans and Louisiana. After living in the Big Easy for over four years we had only encountered one small hurricane. That is until IDA struck! I had no evacuation plan and decided to stay put. During the hurricane, water came in through the windows onto the carpet and flooring, but no furniture was damaged. The electricity went out, a small part of the roof and air conditioning flew off the large Esplanade Apartments where I was living. After three days the smell was awful.



It was decided that I evacuate to New York. My wonderful boss, Johnny, volunteered to drive me to Pensacola, Florida. He had coordinated my flight to LaGuardia. During the three hour drive it was awesome to see so many electric [utility] trucks heading to New Orleans to restore the electricity. Fortunately, I missed the flight, because it was the night of the big storm in New York.

Johnny booked me into the Clarion Inn and rescheduled my flight to New York. The flight included a transfer in Atlanta. When I got to my gate in Pensacola I was greeted by Kelly, the daughter of my friend Chalon. She was going to be on my flight to Atlanta. Kelly took me under her wing and when we got to the large Atlanta airport, she escorted me to my gate. I felt like I had been touched by an angel.

My next flight included another miracle. When I boarded the plane with 250 passengers I sat next to Ann. Ann is the cousin of Madeline, one of our new staff at Cabrini High School. We had wonderful conversations and she, too, took me under her wing. Ann would not let me out of her sight until I had picked up my luggage and had met up with my driver in New York. I had once again been touched by an angel.

I had so many people praying for me. The Lord heard every one of their prayers. Yes, prayer works.

LOVE in Action

A Spotlight on the Cabrinian Outreach for Immigrants

Please Mark Your Calendars

This fall, we kick off a new webinar series on immigration in which we will be exploring how **LOVE** for immigrants finds its expression in the everyday services provided by our Cabrini Immigrant Services in Dobbs Ferry, NY and New York City.

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Please click the link below to join the webinar:

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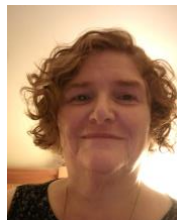
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2021

11:00 am EDT/ 10:00 am CDT/ 9:00 am MDT/8:00 am PDT

Welcoming and Servicing our Immigrant Sisters and Brothers
Cabrini Immigrant Services, Dobbs Ferry, NY

Cabrini Immigrant Services (CIS) in Dobbs Ferry, NY is a store-front organization that offers both educational and social services to an immigrant population of adults and children. CIS has been a welcoming presence since it opened its doors in 1998. For adults, CIS offers tutoring in English and also preparation for the Citizenship Exam; a Literacy Program, and writing and computer classes. It also provides educational workshops on topics such as domestic violence, sexual assault and nutrition. For children, CIS provides an Afterschool Homework Program, trips – educational and fun, and The Giving Back Program. In this webinar, Lorraine Campanelli, the CIS Director, will explore the various educational and social services offered through the organization and will discuss issues that are of concern to the immigrants at this time.

Presenter:



Lorraine Campanelli, MS, MSW

Lorraine Campanelli is the Director of Cabrini Immigrant Services, Dobbs Ferry, NY. She holds a BS in Elementary Education; a MS in Education (Reading Specialist) and a Master of Social Work. She has postgraduate certificates in spiritual direction, health care management, and health care ministry leadership. She has taught on elementary and college levels. She serves on advisory boards for social work schools and on various community boards. She is also a field supervisor for social work interns.

WEDNESDAY, October 27, 2021
11:00 am EDT/ 10:00 am CDT/ 9:00 am MDT/8:00 am PDT

Sharing Our Outreach and Our Services:
Cabrini Immigrant Services-New York City

Cabrini Immigrant Services-NYC's multicultural and multi-lingual staff and volunteers provide a range of services which will be highlighted during this webinar, including: immigration legal services; culturally immersive recreational activities for low-income families; case management and short-term crisis intervention counseling; one of the largest food pantries on the Lower East Side; information and referrals to community resources; engagement in community organizing and advocacy; and monthly Know Your Rights informational workshops.

Presenters:



Javier Ramirez-Baron, MSW

Javier Ramirez-Baron is the Executive Director at CIS-NYC. He first started at CIS-NYC as a Social Work intern in 2005 and has been a trusted leader in the local immigrant community ever since. Javier was the Family Programs Coordinator at CIS-NYC for four years before becoming the Executive Director in 2013. He received his Master's in Social Work from the Silberman School of Social Work at Hunter College and is a Licensed Master Social Worker. He is also a Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) Accredited Representative.



Ella Nimmo, MSW

Ella Nimmo is the Director of Community Programs & Development at CIS-NYC, where she works together with immigrants and allies to build power and leadership within the local immigrant community. She first joined CIS-NYC as a Social Work Intern in 2015, and became a staff member the following year. Ella received her Master's in Social Work from the Silberman School of Social Work at Hunter College and is a Licensed Master Social Worker.



WEDNESDAY, December 1, 2021
11:00 am EDT/ 10:00 am CDT/ 9:00 am MDT/8:00 am PDT

The Art of Storytelling – Uniting Immigrants and Elders
Cabrini Immigrant Services-Dobbs Ferry and St. Cabrini Nursing Home

Depression, anxiety and isolation are becoming more prevalent especially during COVID. Immigrants and nursing home residents are also experiencing these feelings. This webinar, which brings together immigrants and elders, will demonstrate how through storytelling and discussion, there has been an improvement in their quality of life. Participants will listen to a storyteller present a story and participate in a discussion about the book.

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Deborah Mosley, MA

Deborah Mosley is a certified dietitian-nutritionist and trained storyteller. She has worked for the NYS Department Health, Division of Nutrition, Public Health Nutritionist, Chronic Disease Prevention and Adult Health. She volunteers as a storyteller in schools in Westchester County, NY. She is currently involved in adult literacy and the STARS (StoryTelling, Art, Reading and Socialization) for Kids program as well as the Expressive Arts: Improving the Well-Being of Adult Immigrants and Elderly Nursing Home Residents at Cabrini Immigrant Services in Dobbs Ferry, NY.



Postcards of Hope Project

The Guadalupe Province Immigration Commission is thrilled to report that we received over 750 postcards! We have mailed the cards to Jesuit Refugee Services to be distributed to refugee children across the globe. We are so thankful for your participation and your help in bringing smiles and words of hope to so many!



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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The National Shrine of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini was granted, by the Holy See, a Year of Jubilee for the Diamond Jubilee of her 75th Anniversary of her Sainthood.

The opening of the Year of Indulgence will commence on St. Cabrini's Feast Day, November 13th.

The opening Mass will be celebrated by Cardinal Blase Cupich. Preparations are underway!



“This Apostolic Penitentiary has received the request – 75th Anniversary of the Canonization of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini - and [informs] you that what has been politely requested has been granted. The indulgence can be publicly announced. ”



Cabrini University's Campus Ministry Department is excited to announce our speaker lineup for the Catholic Lecture Series during the Fall Semester. The department will welcome three experts in their respected fields to share their gifts and talents with the community. **Each speaker will use Campus Ministry's theme, *Shoulder to Shoulder***, as their foundation for their conversations with our community. The Catholic Lecture Series is made possible by a grant from the Ambassador's Fund for Catholic Education, the successor name to the Archdiocesan Educational Fund.

All lectures will be held in our chapel (<https://www.cabrini.edu/about/visit/directions>) A link to the live-stream will be forthcoming.

Dr. Edward Hastings

Date: September 22nd, 2021

Time: 4:00 pm

Location: Bruckmann Memorial Chapel of Saint Joseph

Edward Hastings serves as an assistant professor for Villanova University with a specialty of Spirituality, sports and spirituality, systematic theology. He received his doctorate from Duquesne University and has a master of arts degree in systematic theology from Washington Theological Union.



dr. timone davis*

Date: October 20th, 2021

Time: 4:00 pm

Location: Bruckmann Memorial Chapel of Saint Joseph

timone davis* is a cradle Catholic who was a "pewster" until she discovered that the uselessness of the Church was because she wasn't giving anything of herself. After committing to do something, her life changed. Her first ministry was with the RCIA, where she not only welcomed others into the Church, but also revitalized her own spirituality. Timone is an assistant professor in the Institute of Pastoral Studies at Loyola University Chicago. *timone uses lower case letters in spelling her name to indicate her decrease as God increases within her.

Michael J. O'Loughlin

Date: November 4th, 2021

Time: 4:00 pm

Location: Bruckmann Memorial Chapel of Saint Joseph

Michael J. O'Loughlin is the national correspondent for America Media, where he writes regularly about the Catholic Church, and the host of the podcast, "[Plague: Untold Stories of AIDS and the Catholic Church](#)."

The "Plague" podcast was recommended by The New York Times and it won awards from The National LGBTQ Journalists Association, the Religion News Association, and the Catholic Press Association. Mike is writing a book based on the podcast, [HIDDEN MERCY: AIDS, CATHOLICS, AND THE UNTOLD STORIES OF COMPASSION IN THE FACE OF FEAR](#), due out November 2021. Mike is also author of [The Tweetable Pope: A Spiritual Revolution in 140 Characters](#). Mike has also written for The Atlantic, The Washington Post, Foreign Policy, The Advocate, Religion News Service. He has been interviewed on MSNBC, Fox News, ABC, CBS, NPR and by several local and regional media outlets.



Save the Date



CABRINI MISSION
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Annual Gala

October 7, 2021

Metropolitan Club New York
One East 60th Street, New York, NY 10022

Honoring

Chazz & Gianna Palminteri
Philip Foglia, Sr. (posthumously)

First Responder Honorees

Ronald Cole, RRT, Cabrini of Westchester
Kathleen Ann Michels, MS RN CCRN,
New York Presbyterian Weill Cornell
Luzmilda J. Cedeño, Cabrini Immigrant Services of NYC
Geraldine Flaherty, Sacred Heart Convent

Prayer Requests

Afghanistani People

We offer our prayers and open our hearts to all the people of Afghanistan – those who have been airlifted from their country and are now being resettled in other parts of the world, and those who remain in their country. We pray for them as they adjust to the many changes in their lives.

Paul Bethany

Kindly pray for Paul, the son of Dr. Adeline Bethany, Cabrini University Professor Emerita, who is ill with COVID and is hospitalized in Florida and who, it is anticipated, will be facing an extended recovery. Please pray also for strength for Adeline and her family as they also have another family member who will be having surgery in the near future.

Greg Buczaki, Jr.

Prayers are requested for Greg Buczaki, Jr., a 17 year-old who is struggling with a liver problem and autoimmune gastrointestinal issues. His mother is a friend of Rosalind Yu, a friend of Sr. Grace Waters, MSC. Pray that he will be able to regain full health.

Loretta Pizzello Gardner

Prayers are requested for Loretta Pizzello Gardner who is experiencing medical issues.

Lu Hawkins

Rob Eshelman, a Cabrini University alumnus, asks for prayers for his aunt, Lu Hawkins, who is hospitalized with a serious bacterial infection. Please pray that she will soon be healed.

Norma Herrera

Sr. Maria Elena requests prayers for her cousin, Norma, who recently contracted COVID. She suffers from various other health problems which makes her condition delicate. Please pray that the COVID does not progress.

Hurricane Ida victims

Please continue to keep all those who have been severely impacted by Hurricane Ida in your prayers. So many are struggling with the devastation wreaked by the storm. Please pray for their courage, strength and stamina in the face of the clean-up and the rebuilding of their homes, businesses and livelihoods.

We offer prayers for the administration, faculty, staff and students of Cabrini High School and give thanks that the property of Cabrini High School sustained only minimal damage from the storm. School is expected to resume on Monday, September 13th.

We pray, too, for all first responders who risked their lives to rescue others. May God bless them for their bravery.

JoAnn Konstantopolous

Your prayers are invited for JoAnn as she battles a severe form of cancer. She asks that we pray for a remission of this disease. JoAnn is the sister of Steve Goldberg, the husband of Sr. Arlene Van Dusen's niece, Laura.

Taiz Venturin

Please pray for Taiz, the niece of Sr. John Giani, MSC, who will be undergoing extensive surgery. Pray that all will go well with her surgery and that she will experience a complete recovery.

In Loving Memory

Kevin Lower

Kevin Lower, husband of Linda Morano Lower, a former MSC, died August 29 of complications from Parkinson's Disease with Linda and their daughters Jenny and Molly at his side. His Mass of Resurrection was held yesterday, Wednesday, September 8th. Your prayers are gratefully requested for the repose of Kevin's soul. Also, kindly prayerfully remember the Lower and Morano families during their time of loss.

John McCormick

Please pray for the passing of John McCormick, age 97, the first cousin of Sr. Grace Waters, MSC. Mr. McCormick was the oldest of 14 children. His funeral Mass was on Wednesday, September 8 at St. Denis Church in Havertown, PA. Please pray for his family at this sad time.

Victims of Hurricane Ida

We mourn the loss of all those who perished across many states as a result of the flooding, wind and tornadoes spawned from Hurricane Ida. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they deal with these sudden and tragic losses.

Victims of 9/11

On this September 11th, we will mark the 20th Anniversary since the World Trade Center towers fell.; twenty years since the walls of the Pentagon shook and were breached, and, twenty years since a handful of courageous souls wrestled an airplane to the ground in the fields of Pennsylvania. May all those souls rest in God's eternal light.

We remember in a special way all who were killed and their families and loved ones as they revisit the events of that fateful day. May God continue to comfort them in their sorrow and loss.