

Hemispheric Summit Ends with Immigration Deal among Countries ~ by Rhina Guidos, Catholic News Service

WASHINGTON (CNS) - Twenty countries from the Americas, including the United States, signed a declaration on June 10, the last day of the troubled Summit of the Americas, committing to help and protect "all migrants, refugees, asylum-seekers, and stateless persons, regardless of their migratory status."

The statement released by the White House and signed by the heads of state of Mexico and several countries in Central and South America said that "migration should be a voluntary, informed choice and not a necessity," and it makes the task of aiding migrants and refugees a shared responsibility among many nations.

The effort asks that countries such as Costa Rica and Ecuador, with proximity to nations such as Cuba and Venezuela, take in and protect more refugees from those neighboring nations instead of having them make longer and more dangerous trips north to the U.S.



Migrants from Central and South America exit their raft onto an island in the middle of the Rio Grande near Roma, Texas, June 11, 2022. (CNS photos/Adrees Latif, Reuters)

The U.S. in turn would seek funding for those countries to help refugees enter legally, to provide social services as well as "integration programs" so they can stay there, saying such a move "would benefit host communities that have generously opened their doors to the most vulnerable."

Canada agreed to welcome more refugees by 2028, including those from French-speaking nations such as Haiti. Along with the United States, Canada also agreed to welcome more agricultural workers, saying it would aim for temporary programs for foreign workers.

Mexico said it would integrate 20,000 "recognized refugees into the Mexican labor market over the next three years."

But some wondered how the agreement would work given that a lot of migrants want to head north to the U.S., but also wondered whether other nations would keep their end of the bargain.

A day after the declaration, the Mexican National Institute of Migration announced it had disbanded a large group of 6,000 to 7,000 migrants headed toward the U.S.-Mexico border wanting to call attention to those who had gathered for the summit.

Some migrants told reporters that they were dissuaded by Mexican authorities from continuing their journey and felt they were being encouraged to return to their home countries. The Associated Press reported on June 11 that the Mexican immigration agency had issued documents to stay in Mexico for up to 7,000, valid for one month, at which time migrants could apply for more permanent stay in the country or return home.

The United Nation refugee agency said June 10 that it welcomed the agreement known as the Los Angeles Declaration.

The immigration deal sprinkled one of the few positive notes at the gathering, publicly boycotted by Mexican President Andrés Manuel López Obrador, who reproached the U.S. for leaving out the leaders of Venezuela, Cuba and Nicaragua from the hemispheric gathering.

The heads of state of Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador, three countries who have high migration rates to the U.S. were among those who declined to attend by signed the agreement. To read the entire article please click here



June 15 marks ten years since the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program was created through executive action. This gave hope to many undocumented immigrants brought to the U.S. as children, commonly known as "Dreamers." Over the last decade, DACA recipients have gained well-deserved reputations as high academic achievers, community leaders, and contributors to the American

economy. Nevertheless, they lack access to permanent legal status and citizenship and face continued uncertainty about their future in the U.S.

For many years, the Catholic bishops of the U.S. have called on Congress to provide Dreamers with the ability to integrate as fully recognized members of our society. Bishop Mario Dorsonville, Chair, of the USCCB's Committee on Migration, has encouraged members of Congress to make the 10th Anniversary of DACA "the long-awaited inflection point that leads to a permanent solution for all Dreamers-one of many steps to address an immigration system in desperate need of reform." Join Bishop Dorsonville and people across the country in urging Congress to move forward with a permanent solution for Dreamers.

Click the link below to log in and send your message: https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/NPC7QM7nE2z1lixc0GRL0g

From the Guadalupe Province Vocation Team...

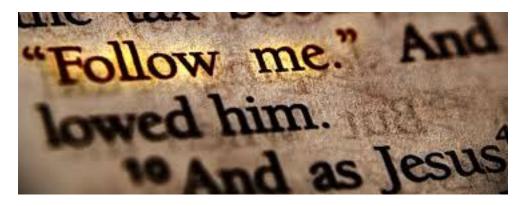
Learning about the Most Recent Entrants to Religious Life

The 2021 Entrance Class Report was released, and its findings demonstrate consistency in the responses from the 2020 NRVC/CARA Report on Recent Vocations to Religious Life (previously highlighted in The Update.)

- On average, members of the Entrance Class of 2021 have three siblings.
- Fourteen percent attended World Youth Day prior to entrance and 53% were active in college campus ministry.
- While 35% of newer entrants have a relative who is a priest, religious brother or sister, only 27% reported their siblings encouraged them "very much" when they first considered entering a religious institute.
- While growing up, 26% of newer entrants stated their mother spoke to them and 19% of their fathers talked about a vocation to religious life or priesthood.
- The following vocation promotion events were "somewhat" or "very" helpful in discerning their call to their religious institute:
 - Contact with a vocation director (97%)
 - "Come and See" experience (97%)
 - Live-in experience (94%)
 - Contact with institute members (93%)
 - Vocation or discernment retreat (93%)

There are 352 women and men who entered 135 religious institutes in 2021. That's an increase from 309 women and men who entered 114 religious institutes in 2020. That's also 2,917 newer entrants since 2015.

God is still calling women and men to holiness. ~NRVC June 2022 Catalyst



Celebrating Juneteenth at Cabrini University



In observance of Juneteenth, also known as "Emancipation Day," "Freedom Day," and "Black Independence Day," Cabrini University will hold its inaugural celebration on Sunday, June 19, from 12:00 to 4:00 pm. I am inviting you to join us for this family-friendly occasion that will offer an abundance of education, entertainment, and interactive events. These include a reenactment of the Frederick Douglass' speech, "What to the Slave is the Fourth of July," African drumming and dancing performances, poetry, cultural artifacts, face-painting, vendors, lawn games, raffles prizes, and great food.

As a friend of Cabrini University, your participation is essential. This will be an opportunity to tour our beautiful campus, engage with our faculty, staff, and students, learn more about Juneteenth, and have fun with family and friends.

This year's theme is represented by the Sankofa bird, a West African adinkra symbol, which means, "Reaching Back to Move Forward." As we celebrate freedom, we realize the resilience and strength of the past. Also, in recognition of Father's Day, we will honor the legacy of African American fathers who have stood firmly in their commitment to the freedom and liberation of all people. We encourage everyone to bring the men in their families as we celebrate African American history and culture.

To register for this event or for sponsorship opportunities, please click <u>here</u>.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to seeing you at Cabrini! ~ a campus announcement by Lailah Dunbar, Director of Office of DEI and Belonging

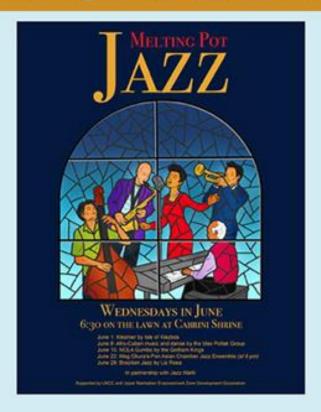
Sr. Renee Kittelson, MSC shares a programming note...

A program on Mother Cabrini and the Heart of Jesus will air on Saturday, June 18 at 2 p.m. ET on EWTN television

It is a one hour documentary in which MSC General Superior Sr. Barbara Staley, MSC is featured.

Cool Jazz at the NY Shrine

Melting Pot Jazz Returns!



Wednesdays in June at 6:30pm

Join us on the lawn for music from around the world. Bring your own seating... and a neighbor!

June 8: Afro-Cuban music and dance by Max Pollock Group
June 15: NOLA Gumbo by the Gotham Kings
June 21: Meg Okura's Pan Asian Chamber Jazz Ensemble (6pm start)
June 29: Brazilian Jazz by Liz Rosa

Prayer Requests

Cabrini University Alumna

Prayers are requested for a recent graduate of Cabrini University who is undergoing intense chemotherapy for an aggressive form of cancer. Prayers are asked, too, for her mother and her husband of one year as they accompany her through her treatment. Pray for a favorable outcome of her treatment.

Fr. James Cunningham

Please pray for Fr. James Cunningham, brother of Ellen Cunningham in the Cabrini Mission Foundation. Fr. Cunningham underwent major surgery yesterday, June 15th and came through his surgery very well. May he experience a swift recovery.

Barbara Feaster

The Cabrini Sisters in Dobbs Ferry, NY are requesting special prayers for their friend, Barbara, a resident in the St. Cabrini Nursing Home who lives on 3 North with our Sisters. Barbara is a great need of our prayers at this time. Let us hold her in our hearts and thoughts and we pray that the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mother Cabrini will watch over her.

General Chapter of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus



The General Chapter of the Missionary Sisters will commence in Rome on June 26th. This is a sacred and special time in the life of the Institute when the Sisters will discern how the Institute will move forward into the future. It is also a time when new congregational leadership is decided upon.

During the upcoming weeks, please unite in prayer that the Holy Spirit will bless and guide the Chapter proceedings.

In anticipation of the General Chapter, the MSC Generalate prepared four brief videos in the different languages, with

the Chapter Prayer and some photos from the different countries and missions:

English: https://youtu.be/r54aUC4b wY Italian: https://youtu.be/V2Dn6mEx7L8 Spanish: https://youtu.be/S9IRFXEfuh0



XVI General Chapter

Prayer

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for all the graces and blessings of our shared journey as followers of Jesus in the Cabrinian charism. May your abiding presence renew our minds and hearts, as we walk towards our General Chapter.

Sacred Heart of Jesus,

Release in us the passion and desire for you that filled the heart of St. Frances Cabrini as she brought your liberating love to the peoples scattered around the world. Free us from all that would prevent our entering fully and generously into this favorable time of discernment and renewal.

Holy Spirit,

Breathe in us once more – that through our listening, conversing and decision-making, we may embrace the future with courage, freedom and faith. Give wings to the desires of our hearts, so that, drawn ever closer to the Heart of Christ, we may enter with joy and abandonment into the horizons of God. Amen.

Sr. Xavier Hayden, MSC

Kindly keep Sr. Xavier in your prayers. She is having a medical procedure today at Westchester Medical Center, NY. Pray all goes well. Sr. Xavier would be grateful for our prayers.

Prayer for Fathers

As we observe Father's Day on Sunday, June 19th we offer a prayer for all fathers: Gracious God, bless all the fathers who have accepted the responsibilities of being a parent. Guide them to be outstanding role models for their children. Let them look to your example and to parent with patience, unconditional love and understanding. Amen.

Special Intention

A member of the Cabrini University campus community asks for prayers for a very special intention

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Katie Verdi

Please say a prayer for Katie Verdi, the daughter of John Verdi, Cabrini University alumnus and staff member. Katie will be undergoing surgery today. Pray that all will go smoothly with her procedure and that this lively youngster will recover very quickly.

With Grateful Hearts

Infant Teddy

In recent weeks we have requested prayers for a woman whose baby was not thriving in utero. Thank you for your prayers for this child. Teddy was delivered by c-section three weeks prematurely and is doing well. His family is so thankful for your prayerful support.

June is the month of the Sacred Heart

A prayerful way of celebrating the Feast of the Sacred Heart is to visit the St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Shrine in Upper Manhattan for a concert of sacred music.



The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is June 24th



"If the Sacred Heart of Jesus would give me the means,

I would construct a boat called the Christopher (the Bearer of Christ) so as to carry the Name of Christ to all people,

to those who as yet do not know Him and also to those who have forgotten him."

~ Frances Cabrini

To access the Sacred Heart novena, Please click <u>here</u>