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Accompanying Migrants at the Border Enriches Our Spiritual Lives

~ by Pauline Hovey, National Catholic Reporter

Fr. Tom Greene, the head of the Jesuits' U.S. Central and Southern province, has come to Sacred Heart as his last stop on a yearlong Ignatian pilgrimage to visit parishes across his territory.

Greene is clearly humbled as he considers the impact of his past work as an attorney handling asylum cases in Chicago, practicing immigration law with unaccompanied minors and offering legal counseling at detention centers.

Whenever I've questioned anyone who's accompanied migrants and asylum seekers about the impact, they turn pensive, sometimes, emotional, as they consider their experiences and attempt to find words.



A mural at the Casa de Refugiado immigrant shelter in El Paso, TX, reads "hope" in Spanish. Photo: Pauline Hovey

"It was deeply spiritual and evangelical work," he finally says, "but I have to say that I was the one being evangelized much of the time."

Steeped in the Ignatian spirituality of finding God in all things, Greene acknowledges that migrant youth taught him what it means to profess one's faith by how they saw God in their perilous and uncertain journeys. Their immense faith and hope made him question how he could not have hope in his own life, no matter the circumstances.

"The ultimate goal in the Christian life is to see the world from the eyes of Christ, and to have his response," Greene said. "So, to see these people beaten, abandoned, raped, extorted, called criminals, how could you not try and help them?"

Yet, Greene says that he was drawn to this ministry because it has helped him so much in his faith. "I was trying to be Christ for them and yet they were Christ for me" he says, acknowledging that may sound selfish.

I smile in recognition. I've heard this so many times, from so many volunteers, I know it's not a glib comment. From migrant shelters, to courtrooms, from the El Paso airport to the detention center, local volunteers have walked alongside and understood firsthand how Christ is present in the face of the migrant and refugee. To read the complete article, please click [here](#)

Ukraine – a Hunting Ground for Traffickers

This week, we continue to explore more aspects of the human trafficking that is taking place in Ukraine.

Exploiting the turmoil



La Strada International, a consortium of dozens of advocacy groups, research, conducted over the past two months, found that unaccompanied children, undocumented people and those who might not have access to the temporary protection offered in European Union countries face the greatest danger.

“And the dangers will grow as the war continues, with more people becoming displaced within Ukraine, making access to services and

livelihoods increasingly precarious, while millions of refugees will need to settle for longer periods in other European countries and start accessing the labor market,” the La Strada report said.

Vatican News article – May, 2022

Pope praises work of Santa Marta Group to combat human trafficking

(The Santa Marta Group is an alliance of international police chiefs and bishops from around the world working together with civil society in a process endorsed by Pope Francis who called it “an open wound on the body of contemporary society”, to eradicate human trafficking and modern day slavery. The Group is led by His Excellency Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster.)

Nearly 30 mothers and children were rescued after a bus intending to traffic them was stopped when a mother called a number she received from an anti-trafficking leaflet. Cardinal Vincent Nichols shared this as an example of a best practice implemented to combat the scourge of anti-trafficking as part of the efforts of the Santa Marta Group.

Nichols recalled very informative and inspiring reports from the police forces of Poland and Lithuania. "It is just an enormous challenge," he noted, stressing the war in Ukraine has caused the largest movement of people in a short time across borders in Europe for 60 or 70 years.

"A positive" aspect which the Cardinal shared was "that because of some of the partnerships that have already been established, within a matter of hours, leaflets had been prepared warning those who were crossing the border against the dangers of being trafficked." Those leaflets, he noted, had a contact number, and one of them was passed out to a Ukrainian woman who then narrowly avoided falling into the hands of human traffickers.





"She was encouraged onto a bus and there was a busload of women with some children, and she realized they were not going in the direction that she expected. So, she had a mobile phone. She rang the number, the police came and stopped the bus, and I believe some 27 women and children were rescued from potential forced labor or slavery."

This, he said, is a specific example of the many "stories of speedy action attributed to existing patterns of cooperation." The Cardinal warned that authorities are fighting an uphill battle.

"It was pointed out to him that, to begin with, the better-educated, probably better-off people, were those able to get to the border," he noted, explaining that "those coming now are the poorer people who have less resilience and fewer resources." He acknowledged that "the strain is being felt everywhere." ~ submitted by Karol Brewer, Cabrini Action and Advocacy Coalition

To access more information on Anti-Human Trafficking and the MSC Corporate Stance against Human Trafficking please click [here](#) and [here](#)

June is the Month of the Sacred Heart

The Cabrinian motto, *Ad Majorem Gloriam Sacratissimi Cordis Jesu* (For the greater glory of the Sacred Heart of Jesus), reveals the characteristic of a follower of Jesus in the Institute of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In this motto, we understand the passion of Mother Cabrini for the glory of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: a passion which pervaded her whole missionary life and which overflowed into everything that she did and wrote.



Mother Cabrini fully corresponded with the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus which motivated her to translate into action and reparation the mystical experience of loving communion with Jesus. In her communion of love, she united herself with the desire of Jesus to save humanity according to His plan of salvation.

The Sacred Heart of Jesus was at the center of all the spiritual experiences of Mother Cabrini. Mother Cabrini felt the continual presence of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Holy Spirit worked in Mother Cabrini to increase her love for Jesus. Searching to find, know, love and glorify Jesus stretched her own heart so that He would be loved by all, to the ultimate ends of the earth.

The final goal of her work was always to proclaim the glory of God, as Jesus Christ himself always taught. ~ excerpts from *Remembering the Journey* To access the Sacred Heart novena, please click [here](#)

Cabrini Immigrant Services, Dobbs Ferry, NY

Lending Neighborly Support



Sarah Flaherty, (r.) a social work intern and senior at Iona College organized the program in which CIS Kids enthusiastically participated.

making 100 packets for the Shelter. The bags were filled with shampoo, conditioner, a comb, a toothbrush and toothpaste, body wash, deodorant, Chap Stick, tissues, nail file, Band-Aids and hand sanitizer. We also included a Pop Fidget bracelet for the children. In addition, a special card was added to the bag which had a positive message such as, “Stay strong” and “Sending smiles and hugs.”

A special thank you to Tom Costello, from The Joy of Sox in Pennsylvania. He not only sent us 100 pairs of socks for adults but an additional 100 pairs of socks for children. What a blessing it is for a homeless person to get a pair of socks!



The program was organized by our Social Work Intern, Sarah Flaherty, a senior at Iona College in New Rochelle, NY. Thank you to all who helped to make the lives of some homeless families better. It is such a great feeling to help someone in need.

~ submitted by Lorraine Campanelli, Director, Cabrini Immigrant Services, Dobbs Ferry, NY

This little fellow begins the toiletries packet process by opening the Ziplock bags. Participating in such a project teaches children to be mindful of the needs of others and to make life a bit brighter for boys and girls just like himself. It’s all about giving back.

Cabrini Immigrant Services (CIS), Dobbs Ferry, NY, held another Giving Back Program. The packets of toiletries, etc. will be donated to WestHELP Homeless Shelter in Mt. Vernon, NY. WestHELP provides transitional housing for families with children.

Once again, we are grateful to the St. Faith’s House Foundation for their grant, which allows us to purchase the needed toiletries. Some of our Cabrini Kids assisted in



This youngster is intent on his particular task in making the packets.



*The Cabrini Lay Missionaries-Guadalupe Province
invite you to join us for an
Afternoon of Reflection*

THIS SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2022
1:00-3:00 PM EST

Join us in-person at the Cabrini Shrine, NYC or via Zoom
(Spanish/English available via Zoom)

Theme: Hope



Speaker: Lucille Larrivee Naughton

Please register for the program by emailing:
Cabrinilaymissionariesgp@gmail.com

Please indicate if you will be joining us **in-person or via Zoom**

If attending in-person, lunch will be served at 12:00 Noon.

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 [here](#).

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

Do you know someone who might be interested in receiving The Update?

If so, kindly send their name and email address to:

Cabrini-news@mothercabrini.org



PLAYBALL!

New York has a new professional baseball team the Staten Island Ferry Hawks of the Atlantic League. The Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Cabrini Mission Foundation want you to join us for a day at the ballpark! Get your team together and meet us behind home plate in the stadium's big event suite. Hotdogs, burgers bottomless popcorn, and soft drinks are included.

Date: Thursday, July 21, 2022

Game Time: 11:00 AM

Where: Staten Island University Hospital,
Community Park, 75 Richmond Terrace, Staten
Island, NY 10301

(Easy to get to by car, ferry, train or bus)

Sponsorships Available!

- Tickets for the game \$100
- Sponsor a Sister \$100
- Beverage Sponsor: \$350
- Base Hit Sponsor: \$750
- Stolen base Sponsor: \$1,000
- RBI Sponsor: \$1,500
- Double Sponsor \$2,000
- Triple Sponsor \$3,000
- Homerun Sponsor \$4,500
- Grand Slam Sponsor: \$5,000
- Team Captain Event Sponsor: \$10,000



Please contact:

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Prayer Requests

Sr. Mary Lou Andes, MSC

Prayers are requested for Sr. Mary Lou as she settles into her new room at St. Cabrini Nursing Home. She would surely appreciate a card or message from her Cabrini Family as she gets settled. Cards and greetings can be sent to:

Sr. Mary Louise Andes, MSC
c/0 St. Cabrini Nursing Home
3 North - Room 227
115 Broadway
Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522

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 small 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/S9IRFXEfu0>

Portuguese: <https://youtu.be/CluB1hY2ZbQ>

Luke Goldberg

Please pray for Luke Goldberg, the nephew of Sr. Arlene Van Dusen, MSC, who has been diagnosed with Covid 19. Please pray that he will recover very quickly.

John

Anne Schwelm, the Director of the Holy Spirit Library at Cabrini University, asks for prayers for her nephew, John, who was in a serious motorcycle accident. Please pray that he will heal swiftly and completely.

Patricia Krasnausky,

We pray for healing for Pat, the President and CEO of Cabrini Eldercare, who recently fell, sustaining injuries. She is presently hospitalized and will need ongoing physical therapy and rehabilitation. Let us hold Pat in our prayers during this time for a swift and uneventful recovery.

Peggy Mayberry

We ask your prayers for Peggy Mayberry, a former employee at St. Cabrini Nursing Home, who has been hospitalized. Let us pray for Peggy's speedy recovery.

Erin Onstead

Please unite in prayer for Erin Onstead, the sister of Florence Wingerter of New Orleans. Erin is experiencing medical issues and would be grateful for our prayers.

Special Intention

A member of the Cabrinian community asks your continued prayers for a special intention and invites Mother Cabrini's intercession.

Teresa Verzosa

Teresa, a good friend of the Cabrini Sisters, fell last week at home sustaining injuries and is now hospitalized. Please hold Teresa in your prayers as she recovers and please pray, too for her friend, Mila at this time.

June is the month of the Sacred Heart

O most holy Heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you and with a lively sorrow for my sins.
I offer you this poor heart of mine.
Make me humble, patient, pure, and wholly obedient to your will.
Grant, good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you.
Protect me in the midst of danger; comfort me in my afflictions;
give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs,
your blessings on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death.
Within your heart I place my every care.
In every need let me come to you with humble trust saying,
Heart of Jesus, help me.
Amen.



The Feast of the Sacred Heart is June 24.
To access the Sacred Heart Novena please click [here](#)