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THE UPDATE

March 30, 2023

Palm Sunday

April 2, 2023



Each week, as we have journeyed through Lent, one of the Cabrini Lay Missionaries (CLM) has offered a reflection. For Palm Sunday, the reflection is given by Patricia Krasnausky, CLM.

A Reflection for Palm Sunday from Matthew 26: 14-27

*"We look forward to a time when the Power of Love will replace the Love of Power.
Then our world will know the blessings of peace." ~ William Gladstone*

Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on a donkey was a continuation of his peaceful campaign to teach the power of love over the love of power. It was also the action that led to his arrest and execution. While He was in procession into the city with a crowd of followers who were shouting "Hosanna to the Son of David", on the other side of Jerusalem, Pontius Pilate, mounted on a horse, wearing armor, and accompanied by his army, was marching in to stop any uprisings or trouble from the Jews during Passover. For Jesus, the procession with palms was one of humility, peace and compassion, while Pilate's march was one of pride, oppression and violence.

What about Jesus' followers in the procession with palms? Were they in sync with Jesus or were they also looking for power rather than peace? The original meaning of *Hosanna* was more like "please Lord save us" than the shout of praise that we understand it to be today. From what did they want Jesus to save them? They looked to Jesus, who they had come to believe was the Messiah, to save them from the oppressing Romans by leading a rebellion that would overthrow the Romans and return Jerusalem to its former glory. They looked for power and triumph as the prophet Zechariah had foretold of the Messiah's coming on a donkey. When they realized that their idea of glory was not what Jesus had in mind at all, their shouts became "crucify him" within a few days. The people following in both processions, Jesus' and Pilate's, were driven by the love of power, not the power of love which energized Jesus.

This gospel leads me to think about nations and peoples at war, occupied, or experiencing terrorist insurgency at this time and to compare them to Jerusalem. I can picture Jesus crying over Ukraine, Afghanistan, Sudan and others as he cried over Jerusalem when he contemplated the destruction of life, peace and hope. The reach for power, whether by the Romans or the Jews, or you or me, if it be at the expense of others, is never going to allow us to flourish to become fully human. Every day we make the choice between one procession and the other, between love and power.

If you had been there on that day, which would you have chosen? May we learn to choose wisely and to love powerfully. ~ Patricia Krasnausky, CLM



There's No Business Like Show Business!



The rain and the wind this past Saturday did not deter our trip to the Random Farms Kids' Theater in Yorktown Heights, NY. Cabrini Immigrant Services, Dobbs Ferry, NY, brought a group of our toddlers, younger students and parents, to see the play, *The Jungle Book*. When we arrived at the theater, each child received a badge showing that they were attending the play. They were so proud of getting the badge.

The actors and actresses were kids ranging in age from 5 – 12 years old. They were wonderful! The costumes were so colorful, the singing and the acting were superb.



Photo above: Lorraine Campanelli (4th I.), Director of Cabrini Immigrant Services in Dobbs Ferry, NY, led a merry group of youngsters and their parents to see a production of Disney's *Jungle Book*. From their big smiles, looks like everyone had a great time.

Photo lower right: This little girl's bright eyes say it all – she loved the play!

Everyone enjoyed the day. Some of the parents said that when they arrived home, their children were so excited as they shared about the play.

Thank you to St. Faith's House Foundation for your grant which allowed us to enjoy a wonderful day.

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



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SR. ARLENE VAN DUSEN, MSC
SR. CATHERINE GARRY, MSC

Thursday
May 25, 2023

Abigail Kirsch at Tappan Hill Mansion
Tarrytown, New York

6 pm - Cocktail Reception
7 pm - Dinner

The MSC General Council Visits Radnor, PA



On Thursday, March 23rd, Sr. Diane Olmstead, MSC, Provincial, Guadalupe Province, accompanied the MSC General Councilors on a visit to Radnor, PA, where they spent time at Cabrini University touring the campus and paying a visit to the Provincial Offices in The MSC Cottage.

Enjoying their visit are: **Front Row L-R:** Sr. Amarech Herego LeFamo, MSC; Nancy Costello, Province Communications; and Sr. Bridget Zanin, MSC
Middle Row L-R: Councilor Sr. Gilda Mercedes Mendoza Argueta, MSC; Sr. Christine Marie Baltas, MSC and Sr. Diane Olmstead, MSC, Provincial.

Top Row L-R: General Superior Sr. Maria Eliane Azevedo Da Silva, MSC; Karol Brewer, Province Formation Office; and Councilors Sr. Patricia Godoy, MSC and Sr. Stella Maris Elena.

It was our great pleasure to welcome the General Council to Pennsylvania. We wish them many blessings.

Cabrini Health Shares a Reflection for Palm Sunday

April 2, 2023

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? - Psalm 21



Our patients often feel vulnerable and abandoned when in hospital. A time of uncertainty, out of a normal routine and looking towards an unknown future.

There is great comfort in knowing we do not need to face these uncertainties alone, our burdens can be eased when we call to our Creator to travel with us. It is often in the depths of our despair that hope is found. St. Frances Cabrini shares with us her reflection on the suffering and death of Jesus:

“I wept a great deal...to bear it all with patience would have been a virtue, but at that time I did not understand the value of the Cross.” - St. Frances X. Cabrini

Prayer Requests

Emma DellaRocca

Please unite in prayer for Emma DellaRocca, the grandmother of Caitlin Della Rocca, who is an employee at the Cabrini Mission Foundation. Emma is hospitalized and is in need of God's healing.

Nicole and Irma Giacche

Prayers are requested for Nicole Giacche, who is back in Sloan Kettering Hospital and is in need of our prayers for healing. Nicole was a student of the MSCs at St. Anthony's School in Kearny, NJ. Prayers are also needed for her mother, Irma, who is her primary caretaker.

Carl Janicki, Sr.

Fr. Carl Janicki, formerly of Cabrini University, has asked for prayers for his father, Carl Janicki, Sr. who suffered a stroke and is in the hospital.

Gabriel Maciolek

Please keep Gabriel "Gabe" Maciolek in your prayers. Gabe is the nephew of Mary Kay Burke, Cabrini (College)University, Class of 1969. Gabe is currently serving abroad. Prayers that he remains safe.

Marie Takes

Your prayerful accompaniment is requested for Mrs. Marie Takes, the mother of Deb Takes, former Chair of the Board and former Interim President at Cabrini University. Marie was recently placed in hospice care at home in New York State and underwent a surgical procedure which was successful. Prayers are sincerely appreciated for Marie and her family. May she continue to heal and recuperate.

With Grateful Hearts

Thank you from Florence Wingerter

"I want to thank the Cabrini community for the prayers offered for Erin Onstad. Her surgery went well and the doctors are optimistic. I ask that you continue to pray for Erin as she recovers and undergoes further treatment."

In Loving Memory

Migrants killed in Mexican migrant camp

Let us unite in prayer for those who perished in the fire that took place in the migrant camp Ciudad Juarez in Mexico, close to the border with Texas.

Victims at the Covenant School in Nashville, TN

Once again in the United States, we are called to pray for the victims of a senseless mass shooting in a school. Let us pray for the three adults and three nine-year old children whose lives were taken. Let us pray for the consolation of their families as they are left bereft and grieving an unfathomable loss. And let us continue to pray that our legislators will, finally, enact bans on assault-style weapons and enact sensible and effective gun control laws.

